



Parish Clergy & Staff:

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We welcome any suggestions or comments from our Parishioners.
 It helps us to help our Parish.

Church Communities:

St John the Baptist Community

61 Queens Parade, Clifton Hill; Tel: 9481 7333

St Joseph's Catholic Church Community

46 Otter Street, Collingwood;

School: Tel: 9419 4918; Principal: Matthew Shawcross

The Chapel of the Good Shepherd

St Heliers Street, Abbotsford Tel: 9417 2909

Pastoral Care:

If you need or would like a pastoral visit with Fr Cassius, or one of the Salesians of Don Bosco seminarians, please contact the Parish office.

For Urgent Pastoral Need Call: 0401 887 115

Mass Times:

St John the Baptist:

Tuesday to Friday at 9:15am, Saturday at 8:30am.

Sunday at 9:00am (Italian), 11:00am and 5:00pm.

St Joseph's Catholic Church:

Monday to Saturday at 8:30am, Saturday at 6:00pm.

Sunday at 9:00am (Vietnamese).

The Chapel of Good Shepherd:

Sunday at 9:30am.

Sacramental Reception:

Baptism: Booking form is at: olsc.org.au/baptisms.

St John's: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month—12pm.

St Joseph's: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month during Sunday 9am Vietnamese mass, or call the Parish Office.

Marriage: Booking form is at: olsc.org.au/weddings.

Reconciliation: Fridays 7:15pm—8:00pm except for 1st Friday of the month—Adoration Hour 7pm-8pm.

Holy Communion, Reconciliation & Confirmation: Please contact the Parish office.

Collections & EFTPOS 23-24 May 2026:

St Joseph's 6pm mass & St John's whole Parish Mass: \$1,096.55

Thank you for your offerings and donations.

These help sustain and support our Parish gospel mission.

Safeguarding:

At the Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our Parish.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding/commitment-to-the-safety-of-children-and-young-people>.

We acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional land of the Wurundjeri people and offer our respects to the elders past, present and future. We recognise and respect the cultural heritage of this land.

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 30-31 MAY YEAR A

For All Those We Remember

Condolences: We pray for the souls and families of all those who have died recently.

Anniversaries: We pray for the souls and families of Edna Hescroff, Pietro Giammario, Jim Kane, Fr Tom Kane, and Ada Puglielli.

Mass Intentions: We pray for the soul and family of Ada Puglielli on her 10 year anniversary.



Prayers For Healing

Please pray for Tony Addamo, Cecily Hollingworth, Rachel Bartolo, Teresa Boetti, Ruzica Coric, Greg Andrews, Paul Sutherland.

If you are in need, or know of fellow Parishioners who are in need and wish to be included in our prayers, please contact the Parish office.

Feast of Corpus Christi—Thursday 4 June

We will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi at our usual weekday masses:

St Joseph's - 8:30am | St John's - 9:15am

Please join if you can to celebrate the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

Parish Sacramental Preparation 2026

Our Parish will begin preparing children for this year's sacraments next Sunday 7 June. There is still time to contact the Parish Office to let Fr Cassius know that you wish to include your child.

First Communion:



*Preparation: Each Sunday during the 5pm mass at St John's followed by discussion, beginning Sunday 7 June up until 9 August 2026.

*Sacrament date: **Sunday 16 August 2026** during the 5pm mass at St John's.

Confirmation:



*Preparation: Details to be notified soon.

*Sacrament date: **Saturday 10 October 2026** during the 6pm mass at St Joseph's.

Reading Roster—St John's

Date	First Reading/ Psalm	Second Reading/ Alleluia	Prayers of the Faithful	Special Minister
31 May	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY			
11am	Samoan Community	Samoan Community	Samoan Community	Samoan Community
5pm	Clotilde Berryman	Abigail Berryman	Abigail Berryman	Giuliana Alviano
7 June	THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST			
11am	Bill Fitzsimons	Gabrielle McMullen	Gabrielle McMullen	Gabrielle McMullen
5pm	Giuliana Alviano	Vince Alviano	Vince Alviano	Rafelina DeDonato

Vinnie's Winter Appeal has begun

As winter approaches, the *St Vincent de Paul Society* is calling on Australians to support the *Vinnies Winter Appeal 2026*.

The Society's National President Mark Gaetani explains: "Winter is one of the toughest times of year for those households the Society supports, but these figures show financial insecurity is now hitting many Australians harder than ever." He said every donation to the Vinnies Winter Appeal will help provide practical support to people experiencing or at risk of homelessness, poverty and rising cost-of-living pressures, including assistance with food, bills and other essentials needed for a decent life.

If you are in a position to help, donations can be made these ways:

*Online—donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal;

*By Phone—13 18 12;

*In person—at Vinnies Shops.

Getting To Know The Bible

Join us this Wednesday **3 June at 7:30pm** for our next Scripture session with Fr Peter Varengo in the Parish Hall (through St John's Presbytery).

Known for his thoughtful teaching, gentle wisdom, and warm regard for all, Fr Peter will help us explore how the Bible invites us into prayer, strengthen our relationship with God, and connect our faith to everyday life.

Friday Eucharistic Adoration

You are warmly invited to our next weekly Eucharistic Adoration this Friday **5 June from 7.00pm to 8.00pm**, with Fr Brian Ahern SDB.

It is a special time for reflection, prayer, and spiritual renewal in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. It is also an opportune time to pray for our relatives and friends who are unwell.

Magnificent Humanity

"Pope Leo XIV released his much anticipated first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*, on Monday evening.

In a deeply considered and wide-ranging document, he draws on the Church's rich understanding of human dignity and the common good to make a compelling case for prioritising 'magnificent humanity' in our response to the significant challenges posed by AI."

To read more go to the archdiocese website at: melbournecatholic.org/news/magnifica-humanitas-pope-leos-ai-encyclical-warns-of-temptation-to-build-future-excluding-god

The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

Today's readings speak to us about the love and mercy of God. We are here to celebrate God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Trinity can seem difficult to understand, but today's readings help us see something simple and beautiful: *God is a God of relationship, love, and closeness to us.*

In the first reading from the Book of Exodus, Moses meets God on the mountain. God reveals Himself as "merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and rich in kindness." This is very comforting because it reminds us that even when we fail, God does not give up on us. Moses knows that the Israelites have sinned and turned away, yet he still asks God to remain with us. And God responds with *mercy and patience*.

This is also true in our lives. Sometimes we fail. We lose patience, say hurtful words, or neglect our prayer life. At times we may feel ashamed and think that God is disappointed with us. But readings of today reminds us that *God is patient*. Like a loving parent who continues to guide us after mistakes and poor choices, God never stops loving us.

In the Gospel, Jesus says, "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son." God did not send Jesus to condemn us, but to save us. This is the heart of our faith: we are loved by God even in our weakness. In daily life, we often carry many burdens.

Some of us worry about studies, work, family responsibilities, or the future. Some of us feel pressure to be perfect or successful. At times, we even judge ourselves more harshly than others judge us. But Jesus reminds us today that God does not look at us with condemnation, but with love and mercy.

Think about when one of us makes a mistake at home, at work, or in community life. It is easy for us to become impatient or critical. But when we choose patience, forgiveness, and understanding, we reflect the love of the Trinity. Love keeps us united. Without love, our relationships become weak and distant. In the second reading, Saint Paul encourages us to live in peace, unity, and love.

The Trinity is perfect communion of love, and we are called to reflect that same communion in our lives. When we forgive one another, support one another, and walk together in faith, we become a living sign of God's presence among us.

Today, let us remember that we are deeply loved by God. May the Father guide us, the Son save us, and the Holy Spirit strengthen us so that we may live as a community of love, peace, and mercy.

Deacon Afia Enosa SDB

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