



# Ss Peter and Paul's Catholic Parish

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## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

17th and 18th of July 2021 -

### Our Vision

We are a Catholic Community who profess, celebrate and witness that Jesus lives, and to whom the Father sends His Spirit. We express that belief by living out and spreading the message of the Gospel.

### Child Safety Policy

Ss Peter and Paul's is committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person, ensuring they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment within our parish. Visit our parish website or contact our parish office for our child-safe policy."

### Acknowledgement to Country

In the spirit of reconciliation, Ss Peter and Paul's parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land we all now share. For thousands of years they raised their families, maintained their culture and sustainably managed this sacred land. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

### Ladies Lunch Group

Our next Ladies Lunch will be held at Templestowe Hotel, 23 Parker Street, Templestowe at 12.30 on Wednesday the 11 August.

If you would like to book in or have any questions on our monthly lunch's, please get in touch with Muriel on 0417 055 617.

## 5 Day Snap Lockdown

It is with regret that we find ourselves in another 5 day snap lockdown from 11.59pm on the 15th of July until 11.59pm on Tuesday the 20th of July.

In view of this, there will be no weekend masses held at our Parish this weekend the 17th and 18th of July. We will be having Zoom masses instead.

The link for all masses noted below is as follows :-

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2597564312?pwd=NGpkK2RsQTNlWkszdEdTTW5KSnl0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 259 756 4312

Password: 689922

On weekday masses will be held at 9.00am on the 17th and 20th of July. Our Weekend Mass will be held at 6.00pm on Saturday the 17th of July and 10.00am on Sunday the 18th of July.

Thank you very much for your patience, and in the meantime please keep safe.

## Parish Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Our parish AGM is scheduled for Sunday the 18th of July is postponed following the current snap lockdown. We will advise of the revised date when this has been arranged.

### Sacrament of First Holy Communion ( Lockdown Permitting)

Please pray for our parish and school children and their families as they prepare to receive their Sacrament of First Holy Communion on 24th and 25th Jul at the 6pm and 11.15am mass respectively.

## Ss Peter & Paul's One in a Hundred Appeal – Launching for 2021-22

In launching the One in a Hundred Appeal for another year we firstly say thanks very much to the 60 or so parishioner families who generously contributed \$10,000 in 2020-21. This was sent to the Notre Dame de Sion Local Children's Education Fund Jerusalem to assist Palestinian families with their children's education, and of immense benefit.

Their circumstances have regrettably worsened through the Pandemic and the recent upheavals in Israel, such that the need for our support is greater than ever – hence the decision to renew the Appeal for the coming year.

We will ask for your help by committing to the Appeal based on a \$120 per annum donation paid once, twice or via monthly envelopes. Please join us in this great work of charity – and see the Co-ordinator, Harry Martin or call him on 0421 770 498.

### St Joseph – an encounter

The poem by Gerard Manley Hopkins describes Joseph, the graced and just man:

*I say móre: the just man justices;*

*Keeps grace: that keeps all his goings graces;*

*Acts in God's eye what in God's eye he is —*

*Christ — for Christ plays in ten thousand places,*

*Lovely in limbs, and lovely in eyes not his...*

– Gerard Manley Hopkins, *As Kingfishers Catch Fire*.

On the feast of Joseph the Worker, we encounter this man of justice whose life journey fulfilled a prophecy, saved lives and, while staying in the shadows, carried light. His story, one of silence and courage, inspires us to do the same.

**With thanks to Colleen O'Sullivan rsj and the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart.**



**Prayers of the Community :** Our Prayers are asked for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Sebastian Coffa, Reginald Kaine, Joseph Lim, Felly Martis, Maria Viglione, Giuseppina Zuccala, Maxwell Muprhy, William Bourke, Diana Barton, Frances Rigby, Herbert Walliss, Mary Castles

**For those who are sick:** Rose Paynting, Pietro Ciccotelli, June Webster, Patrick and Rhonda McMahon, Emily Patrikis, Julia Smith, Ann Weerappah, Tai Thomas, Ann Burke, Judith Clark, Wen Jiang and Paul O'Connor ( **If you would like to have a loved one's name added to the sick list, please let the Parish Office know. Thank you**)

### **Youth Alive in the Spirit**

Youth Alive in the Spirit, every Monday, 8 – 8.30pm on Zoom. Youth aged 10 years and above are invited to join in to pray together and learn more about your faith with peers . Youth Alive is held during term time only.

Join via Zoom link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81405702253?pwd=R04zZ2ltdW1ZeGxWcmFPV3lVSmJwdz09> or by keying the meeting details:  
Meeting ID: 814 0570 2253, passcode: 225436.

### **Bible Sharing Group**

#### **(Lockdown Permitting)**

Bible-sharing group, every Wed, 10.15am, in the church foyer. The group begins with praying for our parish community, followed by breaking open and sharing the Word of God without judgement, and rounding off with fellowship over a small meal. All are welcome to join.

### **A beloved, tender, obedient father**

Saint Joseph, in fact, “concretely expressed his fatherhood” by making an offering of himself in love “a love placed at the service of the Messiah who was growing to maturity in his home,” writes Pope Francis, quoting his predecessor St Paul VI.

And because of his role at “the crossroads between the Old and New Testament,” St Joseph “has always been venerated as a father by the Christian people” (PC, 1). In him, “Jesus saw the tender love of God,” the one that helps us accept our weakness, because “it is through” and despite “our fears, our frailties, and our weakness” that most divine designs are realized. “Only tender love will save us from the snares of the accuser,” emphasizes the Pontiff, and it is by encountering God’s mercy especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation that we “experience His truth and tenderness,” – because “we know that God’s truth does not condemn us, but instead welcomes, embraces, sustains and forgives us” (2).

Joseph is also a father in obedience to God: with his ‘fiat’ he protects Mary and Jesus and teaches his Son to “do the will of the Father.” Called by God to serve the mission of Jesus, he “cooperated... in the great mystery of Redemption,” as St John Paul II said, “and is truly a minister of salvation” (3).

At the same time, Joseph is “an accepting Father,” because he “accepted Mary unconditionally” — an important gesture even today, says Pope Francis, “in our world where psychological, verbal and physical violence towards women is so evident.” But the Bridegroom of Mary is also the one who, trusting in the Lord, accepts in his life even the events that he does not understand, “setting aside his own ideas” and reconciling himself with his own history.

Joseph’s spiritual path “is not one that explains, but accepts” — which does not mean that he is “resigned.” Instead, he is “courageously and firmly proactive,” because with “Holy Spirit’s gift of fortitude,” and full of hope, he is able “to accept life as it is, with all its contradictions, frustrations and disappointments.” In practice, through St. Joseph, it is as if God were to repeat to us: “Do not be afraid!” because “faith gives meaning to every event, however happy or sad,” and makes us aware that “God can make flowers spring up from stony ground.” Joseph “did not look for shortcuts but confronted reality with open eyes and accepted personal responsibility for it.” For this reason, “he encourages us to accept and welcome others as they are, without exception, and to show special concern for the weak” (4).

Extracted from Vatican News

### SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

**Parish Priest:** Fr Jerald Mariadas

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**Rosary:** After Mass/Communion Service

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 9.30am and  
5.30pm and any weekday after Mass

**Baptisms:** On 2nd and 3rd Sundays of every  
month at 12.45pm by appointment

**Weddings:** By appointment

### MASS TIMES for partner Parishes of

Our Lady of The Pines, Donvale

& Ss Peter & Paul, East Doncaster

	OLOP	SSPP
Mon	-	No Communion Mass
Tue	-	No Mass
Wed	9.00am Mass Followed by Rosary	9.00am Communion Service
Thur	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Fri-	9.00am Mass— Rosary after mass	9.00am Communion Service
Sat-	5.00pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Mass and 6.00pm Vigil Mass
SUN	9.30am Mass	8.00 am and 11.15am Mass -

### Rosters for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 24th and 25th of July 2021

<b>First Reading</b>	Kings	4:42-44		
<b>Second Reading</b>	Ephesians	4:1-6		
<b>Gospel</b>	John	6:1-15		
<b><u>Readers:</u></b> 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Boris Dias Sheryl Kamath Wendy Davis		<b>Communion Ministers</b> 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Nevissa D'Souza Sheryl Kamath Wendy Davis and Verna Carter
<b><u>Commentator:</u></b> 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Abigale Rechtman Harry Martin Maria Ryan		<b><u>Money Counters:</u></b> <b><u>Group 4</u></b>	Dorothy and Rosanna Merriweather and Julie Sykes
<b><u>Projector Operator</u></b> 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Dhruva Dias Greg Sleeth Natalia Jasinka Walisz		<b><u>Altar Servers</u></b> 6.00pm 11.15am	Gabriel Kok Mitchell Perera
<b><u>Sacristans</u></b>	6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Vincent Lam/Kenneth Ting Nelson Lim Dale Gordon—Stewart, Kenneth Ting		

### **Covid Roster**

6.00pm  
8.00am  
11.15

Judith Clark and Kenneth Ting  
Michael and Helen Liddy  
Swee Lin and Christopher Tan