

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

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Archdiocese of Melbourne

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25 August 2024 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR AUGUST PRAYER OF REPARATION

Most Holy Trinity—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifferences whereby He is offended. And through the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of Thee the conversion of poor sinners.

Entrance
Antiphon

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

1st Reading

A reading from the book of Joshua.

Josh 24:1-2, 15-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people: 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.' The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial
Psalm

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

2nd Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians.

Eph 5:21-32

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

The Word of the Lord.

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm

Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun at 1:15pm

Filipino – 4th Sun at 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue, Thu, Fri – 8:30am

Wed – 7:00pm

Sat – 9:00am

LITURGY OF THE WORD/COMMUNION SERVICE

Mon – 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

Wed: 6:30pm

Sat: After 9:00am Mass

DEVOTIONS

First Friday: 7:00pm to 8:15pm

**Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament**

Fri 9:00am & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sat 2:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual

Succour Novena

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri - 8:00am

Sat 8:30am

Sun 8:00am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sundays at 12 noon

Baptism Preparation Meeting

1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, HOUSE BLESSINGS, VISITS & QUERIES

Parish Office on (03) 9749 4300

Gospel
Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have the words of everlasting life. **Alleluia!**

Gospel
Jn 6:60-69

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before? 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. 'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him. Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'
The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion
Antiphon

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Next Week's
Readings

**Deut 4:1-2, 6-8; James 1:17-18,21-22,27;
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

Feasts of the
Week

St. Monica Tue, 27 Aug
St. Augustine Wed, 28 Aug
The Passion of St. John the Baptist Thu, 29 Aug

SUNDAY SCHOOL FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS – SUNDAY 25TH AUGUST 10:30AM MASS

Congratulations to the Sunday School children as they receive the Eucharist for the first time this Sunday. Thank you to the Catechists who have trained the children to receive this Sacrament.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY MASS

There will be a School Community Mass on **Wednesday 28th August at 8:45am**. School families and parishioners are most welcome to join. Please join us for a cuppa after Mass. All are welcome.

FATHER'S DAY – SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

To celebrate Father's Day, a Special Blessing will be given to our wonderful Fathers at all Masses next weekend.

SENIORS SHARED LUNCH – WEDNESDAY 4TH SEPT from 11:30am to 1:30pm in the Community Centre.

Please bring a plate of food to share. Coffee, tea and hot chocolate provided. Contact Margaret Craigie on 0456914652 for further details.

ROSTERS

Money Counters – 1 Sep 24

John Allen / Jules & Neeta Pereira

Roster for Readers – 31 Aug / 1 Sep 24

6:00pm	Sharon Albuquerque
8:30am	Sandra Graham
10:30am	Maria Naufahu
5:00pm	Valerian D'Souza

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – 31 Aug / 1 Sep 24

6:00pm	G. Aldcroft / S. Joseph / S. Fernando / Josie T.
8:30am	Clarence D / Karen F. / A. Francis / I. D'Lima
10:30am	B. Fernandes / Sophia D / E. Mills / N. Golaw
5:00pm	E. Angeles / P. Beasley / Sunita D / Vanja P.

Music Ministry – 31 Aug / 1 Sep 24

6:00pm	Footsteps
8:30am	St. Philomena
10:30am	Tongan Choir
5:00pm	FilOz

PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY PARISH DATES

Sundays	<ul style="list-style-type: none">10:30am Mass – Children's Liturgy held 1st and 3rd Sundays.After 5:00pm Mass in Theatre – Youth Group for youth 12 to 17 years on 2nd and 4th Sundays.6:00pm in Community Centre – Young Adults (SPYA) meeting.6.15pm in Hall – School of Discipleship
Mondays	7:00pm to 8:15pm – Bible Study on Zoom. Meeting ID: 826 5359 2389 Passcode: Bible. Contact Clive 0490814452 or Karen 0415487598
Tuesdays	7:00pm Online Zoom Rosary - Meeting ID: 893 5477 8556. Passcode: rosary
Wednesdays	7:00pm Mass followed by Mother of Perpetual Succour Novena.
1 st Fridays	7:00pm to 8:15pm Mass & Adoration
2 nd Fridays	7:30pm to 8:30pm Shalom Kids Holy Hour with Exposition & Benediction.
Saturdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2:30pm to 4:00pm St. Peter's Charismatic Prayer Community Praise & Worship.1.30pm to 4:00pm - Healing Mass on 1st Saturday of the month. Next Healing Mass on Saturday 7th September 2024.
Baptisms	12 noon – Baptisms held 1 st & 3 rd Sundays. Baptism Preparation Meeting held on 1 st Monday of the month at 7:00pm. Next Baptism Preparation Meeting Monday 2nd September 2024 at 7:00pm in Church.

FIRST FRIDAY – 6TH SEPTEMBER

Morning Mass at 8:30am. Evening Mass at 7:00pm followed by Sacred Heart Devotions.

MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES

Dear parishioners kindly fill in the **date and time of mass** on the Mass Offering envelopes when offering a mass intention, especially at the weekends and on days with multiple masses. Thank you for your understanding.

PARISH OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESS

Kindly note that the parish office email address stpeters@westnet.com.au will **no longer be used**. Please **send all email communications for the Parish Office to hopperscrossing@cam.org.au**. Thank you.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS for 2025 are now available in the Piety Store for \$10 each.

2024 ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN

The 2024 Archbishop's Campaign is underway, and we ask everyone to consider a pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. These ministries are outlined in the Campaign brochure which you will find in the pew and in the foyer today. Gifts of \$2 or more are tax-deductible. Tax-deductible donations go to the Archbishop's Charitable Fund which supports the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, the Priests Retirement Foundation, John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission, University of Divinity Building Fund as well as Catholic community agencies and service organisations through annual grants. Non-tax-deductible donations go to the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund and support seminarian formation and evangelisation ministries. You can make a gift online at melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign or via the QR codes on the campaign materials. **There will be a special collection this weekend for one-off donations towards this campaign.** Thank you for your generous support.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

The Australian Bishops have issued a Social Justice statement. You can read all about it from the link below.

[Social Justice Statement calls for truth and... | Melbourne Catholic](#)

PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:	\$5481.75
ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:	\$3613.65
CHURCH A/C:	\$1875.10
PRESBYTERY A/C:	\$1476.70

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Patrick Spiteri, Peggy Pinto, Aloysius Silva, Carmel Thomas, Josefa Clavijo, Eileen Hutchinson, Daniel Ferlazzo, Sriyani De Silva, Nimal Pahalavithanage, Flavian Weerasinghe, Carmelo Strocio, Victor Cachia, Michelle Lazaro, and all who have died in disasters all over the world.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for Bill Fairney, Martin John Lopez, Cresentia Fernando, Enri Sait, Floreswinda Fernandez, Otilia Vieira and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Violet Lawrence, Jeffrey Dalton, Sean Donaldson, Dale D'Souza, Stephen Beaton, John O'Regan, Delice Prior, Nathan Salesa, Suzie Allet, Draga Vekic, John & Christina Parol, Robin Lowe, Gerry Shaw, Betina Cole, Rashmi Ghimire, Keith & Janet Gill, Teresita Delacruz, Ausana Cunanan, Roberto Santiago, Elizabeth de Guzman, Edna Sanchez, Mary Jane Larinay, Bien Carlos, Thais Long, Ollie Orlinski, Denise Fisher, Judy Whitecross, Liza Trenker, Josephine Pearson, Gina Linning, Teresita Grisancich, Alister Dias and all who are ill in our Parish.

GOSPEL FOCUS – PETER'S FAITH

Having laid out a fairly difficult teaching to the crowd, Jesus is faced with the fact that many of those who were following him couldn't cope with what he was saying and they walked away from him. Jesus turns on the Twelve and demands of them, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' One can almost hear the frustration and weariness in his voice. Peter's response must have been a great relief to Jesus. Peter declares that Jesus has the message of eternal life and is the Holy One of God. He still hasn't quite got the full picture but it's something Jesus can continue to work with!

You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God. John 6:69



FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY - SUNDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER

Kindly note that since the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lady falls on a Sunday this year, the stipulated 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Mass will be celebrated. However, our Parish will still mark this feast day by inviting parishioners to bring their own statues or icons of Our Blessed Virgin Mary at all the weekend Masses and place them on the tables near the Sanctuary. Father Laurence will bless them during the 6:00pm Vigil Mass, 8:30am, 10:30am and 5:00pm Sunday Masses.


SICK LIST

The sick list will be reviewed at the end of the month. Please contact the parish office at the start of each month to submit names for the sick as we are unable to keep a record of names for more than a month. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION ON THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate. Online Diaconate information meeting **Tuesday, 24 September / 19:30 – 21:00 via ZOOM**. Attendance will be by invitation. Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattison Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au. In the week before the session the ZOOM link will be sent to those who have expressed interest.

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 The Great Commission
 "Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Gospel to all creation"
 Mark 16: 15

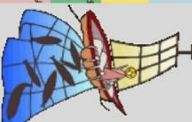
Pope Francis is inviting all of us to follow our baptismal call to live out the gospel and proclaim it!
Come join us on this exciting journey!

LITURGY
 Be a place for hearing Gods Word, growth in the Christian life, worship and proclamation

EVANGELISE
 Be a parish that encourages be evangelises and train parish members to be in contact with the home and live of the people in our parish and community

FAMILY
 Be a sanctuary where the therapy come to drink, and a centre of missionary outreach

OUTREACH



Filipino Mass 2024

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish
 Fourth Sunday 12 noon
25 August 2024
22 September 2024
No Mass in October



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 *Ladies, Men's & Children's Hair Cutting
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