

# St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

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Archdiocese of Melbourne

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## 29 September 2024

### 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Year B



#### DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR SEPTEMBER

##### PRAYER FOR MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

Lord Jesus, today you call us to welcome the members of God's family who come to our land to escape oppression, poverty, persecution, violence and war. Lord Jesus, help us by your grace to banish fear from our hearts, that we may embrace each of your children as our own brother and sister; To welcome migrants and refugees with joy and generosity, while responding to their many needs; To give witness to your love for all people, as we celebrate the many gifts they bring. We praise you and give you thanks for the family you have called together from so many people. We make this prayer through Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

##### Entrance Antiphon

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

##### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

*A reading from the book of Numbers.*

Num 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

The Word of the Lord.

##### Responsorial Psalm

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

##### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

*A reading from the letter of St. James.*

James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The Word of the Lord.

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Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

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#### WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm

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

*Spanish* – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun at 1:15pm

*Filipino* – 4<sup>th</sup> 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

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 12 noon

Baptism Preparation Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> 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 word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. **Alleluia!**

# ROSTERS

## Money Counters – 6 Oct 24

Kitty Stuttard / Eileen Lewis / Bonny D'Souza / Rosemary Hibbert

## Roster for Readers – 5/6 Oct 24

6:00pm	Davy Fernandes
8:30am	Kitty Stuttard
10:30am	Meresiana Peters
5:00pm	Mary Marip

## Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – 5/6 Oct 24

6:00pm	S. Joseph / Josie T. / G. Aldcroft / Sharon A.
8:30am	Karen F. / Clarence D / G. Sharman / A. Francis
10:30am	C. Peters / E. Mills / G. Schembri / Sophia D
5:00pm	Romayne A. / P. Beasley / E. Angeles / B. Palatty

## Music Ministry – 5/6 Oct 24

6:00pm	Eagles Wings
8:30am	St. Philomena
10:30am	Naufahu Family (Tongan Choir)
5:00pm	FilOz

# PARISH NEWS

## WEEKLY PARISH DATES

Sundays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30am Mass – Children’s Liturgy held 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays.</li> <li>After 5:00pm Mass in Theatrette – <b>Youth Group for youth 12 to 17 years on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.</b></li> <li>6:00pm in Community Centre – <b>Young Adults (SPYA)</b> meeting.</li> <li>6.15pm in Hall – School of Discipleship</li> </ul>
Mondays	7:00pm to 8:15pm – Bible Study on Zoom. <b>No Bible study during school holidays, will resume on Monday 14 October.</b>
Tuesdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00pm Online Zoom Rosary - Meeting ID: 893 5477 8556. Passcode: rosary</li> <li>7:00pm – RCIA Meeting in Theatrette, contact Francis Thomas 0401787372</li> </ul>
Wednesdays	7:00pm Mass followed by Mother of Perpetual Succour Novena.
1 <sup>st</sup> Fridays	7:00pm to 8:15pm Mass & Adoration
2 <sup>nd</sup> Fridays	7:30pm to 8:30pm Shalom Kids Holy Hour with Exposition & Benediction.
Saturdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2:30pm to 4:00pm St. Peter’s Charismatic Prayer Community Praise &amp; Worship.</li> <li>1.30pm to 4:00pm - Healing Mass on 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month. Next Healing Mass on <b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2024.</b></li> </ul>
Baptisms	12 noon – Baptisms held 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays. Baptism Preparation Meeting held on 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00pm. <b>Next Baptism Preparation Meeting Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7:00pm in Church.</b>

Gospel

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

John said to Jesus, ‘Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.’ But Jesus said, ‘You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. ‘If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. ‘But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion  
Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Next Week’s  
Readings

**Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16**

Feasts of the  
Week

<b>St. Jerome</b>	<b>Mon, 30 Sep</b>
<b>St. Therese of the Child Jesus</b>	<b>Tue, 1 Oct</b>
<b>The Holy Guardian Angels</b>	<b>Wed, 2 Oct</b>
<b>St. Francis of Assisi</b>	<b>Fri, 4 Oct</b>

## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS



Remember to turn your clocks forward on Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> October at 2:00am.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTISED

We welcome into our Church community **Archie Jeffrey** who is to be baptised this Sunday. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the love of Parents, Godparents, family and friends, we pray that Archie will lead a life full of happiness, faith and love.

## MARCH FOR THE BABIES

Come and show your support for the unborn. Join the March for the Babies on **Saturday, 12th October, 2024** at 12.30pm in the Treasury Gardens, Cnr Spring & Wellington Pde. Wear blue or pink. Catch the train to Parliament Station and walk down to the Treasury Gardens.

<b>PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:</b>	<b>\$5506.00</b>
<b>ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:</b>	<b>\$3613.35</b>
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<b>CHAPLAINCY (SPANISH):</b>	<b>\$ 111.45</b>

## ALPHA EXPERIENCE REGISTRATIONS OPEN



We are excited to announce the next Alpha Experience commencing **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 7:00pm at St Peters Church Hall**. Alpha is a great experience with interactive weekly (Monday) sessions that create a safe and honest space where people can explore life, faith and meaning.

Enquiries to Joel 0433167180, Dario 0438525148 or Anita 0411772230, email: [hopperscrossingalpha@gmail.com](mailto:hopperscrossingalpha@gmail.com). Limited spaces. Please register early by filling in the form at <http://bit.ly/alphahc> or scan QR code.



## 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY MARIAN FESTIVAL

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo.** Dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Program includes 11:00am Mass celebrated by Bishop Leslie Tomlinson, BYO Lunch or BBQ available at 12 noon. 1:00pm to 3:40pm Scapular enrolment, Procession and Rosary outside Cathedral, Crowning of Fatima Statue, Talk by Bishop Leslie, Exposition & Benediction. More details at [www.bendigofatima.com](http://www.bendigofatima.com).

## VOLUNTEERS' THANKSGIVING MASS

Thank you to all our Parish Volunteers who give of their time, talents and gifts to serve our parish. Fr Laurence and the Parish Pastoral Council would like to invite all the volunteers in the parish to a special Thanksgiving Mass on **Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7:00pm** followed by fellowship. Finger Food will be provided. You are welcome to bring sweets / desserts to share. The mass will be offered for the personal intentions of all our volunteers and a special blessing will be given. **For catering purposes, please register by Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October:** <http://bit.ly/3TvW8lu> or scan the QR code. If you need assistance, please call the parish office on 97494300 or email: [hopperscrossing@cam.org.au](mailto:hopperscrossing@cam.org.au).

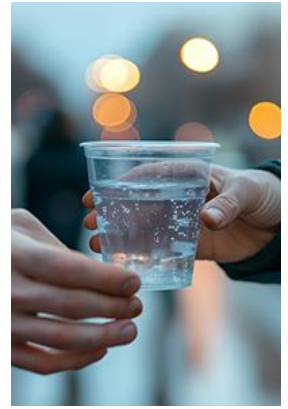


## 110TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES – SUNDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024

The theme of Pope Francis' Message for this year's World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "GOD WALKS WITH HIS PEOPLE." The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office has created online resources, including the liturgy for primary and secondary schools, homily notes, prayers of intercession, stories, and interviews, to help celebrate this special day. Resources available at <https://acmro.catholic.org.au/wdmr/2024>.

## GOSPEL FOCUS – ANYONE NOT AGAINST US IS FOR US

It is sometimes quite baffling why the movement for ecumenical dialogue is so laboured and apparently delivering such limited results. It seems that it is human nature to dwell much more on what makes us different rather than on what we have in common. Unfortunately, efforts to build dialogue between Christian churches seem to inevitably turn up the differences that impede dialogue more than the commonalities that foster dialogue.



Jesus made it clear that 'anyone who is not against us is for us'. Perhaps if we focus on the common goal of leading people to Jesus we can get beyond the differences that set us against each other.

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## GOSPEL REFLECTION

The question of legitimacy of ministry is not a new one. There is a certain amount of tension between the institutional and the charismatic aspects of the church. To say that one is Spirit-driven and the other is not, is to misunderstand Jesus' promise to remain with the church until the end of time. God normally calls ministers through the structures of the community. The authorities of the church are usually the ones who make the ultimate decisions about the needs of the church, how these needs are to be met, and who is to meet them. That is one of the responsibilities of their office.

However, God calls in other ways as well. A solid biblical tradition maintains that the Spirit is not confined to human structure or custom. We see this in the judges, the prophets, and even the early kings. The Pentecost story describes the coming of the Spirit upon all people – sons and daughters, young and old, slaves and free. When God calls, it is up to us to recognise that call and to test its spirit. Perhaps the primary criterion we have for judging is the biblical measure: By their fruits you shall know them.

Today we also see that those who benefit from exploitation of the vulnerable will reap the fruits of their sin. This warning stems from the belief in the justice of God. Just as we believe that God will not allow the righteous to go unrewarded, so we are confident that neither will the wicked escape punishment.

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## SENIORS SHARED LUNCH – WEDNESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OCT 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.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for Danny Geronimo, Raymond Taylor, Amelia Pamparo, Josie Bulayon, Danilo-Luis Marino, Pacita Martinez, Manuel Martinez Sr, Manuel Martinez Jr, Janice Wareham, Yvonne Kheir, Jerome Rodrigues, Patrick Spiteri, Glenn Gonsalves, Lucila Quicho, Peggy Pinto, Aloysius Silva, Carmel Thomas, Josefa Clavijo, Eileen Hutchinson and all who have died in disasters all over the world.

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** We pray for Deacon Charles English, Bill Thomas, Kevin McLoughlin, Jean Cameron, Carmen Mifsud, Juliana Castelino, Charles Azzopardi, Connie. Anthony, Lisa and Mary Spiteri, Agostino & Josephine Cutajar, Peppi & Rosaria Ferlazzo 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, Draga Vekic, Gerry Shaw, Keith & Janet Gill, Thais Long, Ollie Orlinski, Gina Linning, Teresita Grisancich, Alister Dias, Rohan Graham, Gus Jones, Slavko Takac, Frank O'Brien, Brian Noble, Miriam Jose, Miriam Desilva, John Rirau and all who are ill in our Parish.



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*Mark 16, 15*

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St Peter Apostle Mission Parish  
Fourth Sunday 12 noon

**22 September 2024**  
**No Mass in October**  
**24 November 2024**

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