BAYSIDE CATHOLICAMISSION ST

Incorporating the communities of Sacred Heart Sandringham, St James Brighton, St Joseph's Black Rock, St Joan of Arc Brighton, Stella Maris Beaumaris, St Mary's Hampton.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B

2ND MAY, 2021

In the Gospel this week, Jesus reminds us to stay close to Him – to remain in Him. As part of His words to the disciples at the Last Supper, He refers to Himself as the "true vine" (John 15:1) and that we "are the branches" (John 15:5). It's a reminder to us all that we must strive to nurture a deep and lasting relationship with Jesus – to understand that we are not self sufficient, that we receive from Him, and it is through the love of Christ for us that we can bear fruit.

The Church offers us two great examples for us in this regard, particularly in this month of May. On the 1st May we celebrate the feast of St Joseph the Worker. We are encouraged to get to know this great saint even more, especially in this, the year of St Joseph. As Pope Francis said, "the greatness of Saint Joseph is that he was the spouse of Mary and the father of Jesus." (*Patris Corde, no. 1*). The month of May is also a special month of devotion to Mary. Through Mary we can learn how to be close to Jesus, and be more attentive to the needs of our neighbour. As the Pope said in his letter for the month of May last year, "contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family." In that letter he encouraged us to rediscover the value of praying the Rosary - "I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually."

As we continue to provide opportunities to come together as a community we will be getting together with parents from across the Mission to talk about activities for our young people (primary, secondary, and even pre school). If you would like to be involved or have any suggestions and ideas, please get in touch via baysideoffice@cam.org.au

God bless, Fr Dean

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MASS TIMES

Sat 5pm	Sacred Heart, Sandringham 13 Fernhill Rd, Sandringham
Sat 6pm	St Mary's, Hampton 59 Holyrood St, Hampton
Sun 8am	St Joseph's, Black Rock 542 Balcombe Rd, Black Rock
Sun 9am	Sacred Heart, Sandringham 13 Fernhill Rd, Sandringham
Sun 10:30am	Stella Maris, Beaumaris 2 Charlotte Rd, Beaumaris
Sun 11am	St Joan of Arc, Brighton 118 New St, Brighton
Sun 5:30pm	St James', Gardenvale currently held at St Joan of Arc

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Tues 9:15am	Sacred Heart
Tues 7pm	St Joan of Arc
Wed 9:15am	Sacred Heart
Wed 9:15am	St Joseph's
Thur 9:15am	St Mary's
Thur 9:15am	Stella Maris
Fri 9:15am	St Joan of Arc
Fri 9:15am	St Joseph's
Sat 9:15am	Stella Maris

Mon 9:15am St Mary's

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesdays 6:30pm-7pm St Joan of Arc

Saturdays 9:45am-10:30am Stella Maris

Saturdays 4:30pm-5pm Sacred Heart

Saturdays 5:30pm-6pm St Mary's

Eucharistic Adoration

Each Tuesday night at St Joan of Arc 6.30–6.50pm Each Saturday at Stella Maris 9.45am–10.30am

Gospel Reflection

On the Vine

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that He is the true vine that God intended Israel to be—the source of divine life and wisdom for the nations (see Sirach 24:17-24).

In Baptism, each of us was joined to Him by the Holy Spirit. As a branch grows from a tree, our souls are to draw life from Him, nourished by His word and the Eucharist.

Paul in today's First Reading seeks to be grafted onto the visible expression of Christ the true vine—His Church. Once the chief persecutor of the Church, Paul encounters initial resistance and suspicion. But he is known by his fruits, by his powerful witness to the Lord working in his life (see Matthew 7:16–20).

We too are commanded today to bear good fruits as His disciples so that our lives give glory to God. Like Paul's life, our lives must bear witness to His goodness.

Jesus cautions us, however, that if we're bearing fruit, we can expect that God will "prune" us—as a gardener trims and cuts back a plant so that it will grow stronger and bear even more fruit. He is teaching us today how to look at our sufferings and trials with the eyes of faith. We need to see our struggles as pruning, by which we are being disciplined and trained so that we can grow in holiness and bear fruits of righteousness (see Hebrews 12:4–11).

We need to always remain rooted in Him, as today's Epistle tells us. We remain in Him by keeping His commandment of love, by pondering His words, letting them dwell richly in us (see Colossians 3:16), and by always seeking to do what pleases Him. In everything we must be guided by humility, remembering that apart from Him we can do nothing.

As we sing in today's Psalm, we must fulfill our vows, turning to the Lord in worship, proclaiming his praises, until all families come to know His justice in their lives.

Scott Hahn



Year Of St Joseph

In Matthew's Gospel, we hear of an angel visiting Joseph some four times, guiding him step by step through troubled times. Interestingly, these visitations come to the sleeping Joseph in his dreams.

As a carpenter, Joseph would have been no stranger to silence. We can imagine him spending time alone, honing his patience and concentration as he worked the wood. Perhaps there is a link between this silent way of Joseph and the silent way of dreams in which the angel communicates with him?

We could be fooled in thinking that, as a man of dreams, Joseph lived in a fantasy world. Nothing could be farther from the truth. As a man of dreams, Joseph has much to teach us about the power of trust, the power of prayer and the power of discerning God's presence in our lives.

Joseph reminds us that rest is essential if we are to hear God's voice and understand what is being asked of us. He shows us what happens when we wait patiently even in fearful circumstances, trusting and remaining open to how Love might work in our lives.

Just as Paul reminded the Romans to be transformed by the renewing of the mind so as to discern the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect (Rom 12:2) – Joseph reminds us to allow our minds to be renewed through our dreams.

Melbourne Catholic 1 April 2021

Sts Philip and James Feast Day, May 3

In the sixth century, the bodies of Sts. Philip and James were brought to Rome from the East and were laid to rest in the Basilica of the Holy Apostles. Since they arrived together at the same location, the Church instituted a single feast day for both apostles.



Tradition says that James authored the eponymous epistle, which is perhaps best known for the line, "[F]aith without works is dead" (Jas 2:20). The Catholic Church also derives the Sacrament of the Sick from the book of James since it says, "Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up" (Jas 5:14–15).

Philip was one of the first apostles to come to faith directly through Christ with no intermediary person. Philip speaks during the Last Supper in the Gospel of John after Jesus says, "No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him." To which Philip replies, "Lord, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us" (Jn 14:6-8).

Come and visit the Atrium

Tuesday 4th May, 9am – 11am Stella Maris Church Beaumaris

The Atrium is a sacred space for children to discover God as they experience the Gospel through activities and play. Everyone is welcome to come along to our open morning to see what the Atrium is all about.

We are now taking enrolments for 3-6 yr olds. To enrol or to make any enquiries email Lisa at: baysideatrium@gmail.com
"Let the children come to me;



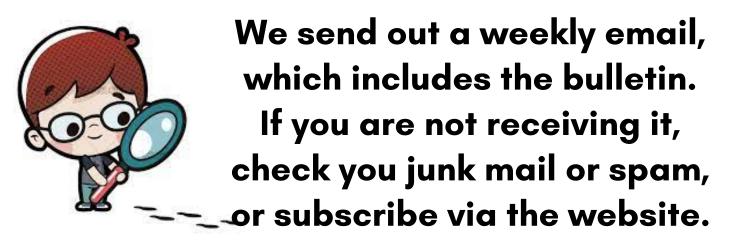
do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

Mark 10: 14

SACRED HEART PARISH SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

Meeting: Tuesday 4 May at 7:30pm in the Mangan Room. New members are always welcome. Contact Judy at judith@jml.net.au if you are interested in attending.

Raffle: Our annual raffle for Timor Leste will be launched on the weekend of 8/9 May. Further details in next week's bulletin.



BAYSIDE CATHOLIC MISSION SAFEGUARDING

Mailing to Volunteers

This week we will be mailing Safeguarding documents to all volunteers. Please read through the documents and complete them for returning to us. We will also provide opportunities in the coming weeks to complete them after Masses. We greatly appreciate your commitment to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and adults.

If you are a volunteer and haven't provided us with your most recent email address or you wish to become a volunteer, please email the Mission office this week. Many thanks for your support.



ST JAMES & ST JOAN OF ARC

ILLNESS: Kuldip Ahluwalia, Lynn Batten, John Bell, Angela Boston, Helen Clarke, Anne de Rebello, Alan Giles, Regina Fahmi, Geraldine Kennedy, Antony LaRive, Tatiana Mansel, Ben Martin, Gabrielle Marylees, Freddy McGuigan, Kevin Nichollis, Catherine Ryan, Edward Shelley, Rob Smith, Brian Taylor, Barbara Turner, Joseph Rush RECENTLY DECEASED: Clare O'Connell Chan ANNIVERSARIES: Fiona Russell, Fred Russell, Brian Haddad

SACRED HEART

ILLNESS: Denis Sime, Stella Tomczak, Tim Ward, Joan Mason, Nancy Curran, Brian Curran, Nancy Camera, Michael O'Brien, Marissa Daicos, Louise Tonna, Connell Westcott, Douglas Day, Peter Girotto RECENTLY DECEASED: Kathleen Elizabeth Pain (Betty) funeral Tuesday 4th may at 11 am ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Cameron, Kit Carigg, Owen Cripps, Patrick Leo Callaghan, Rita Carolan, Len Richter

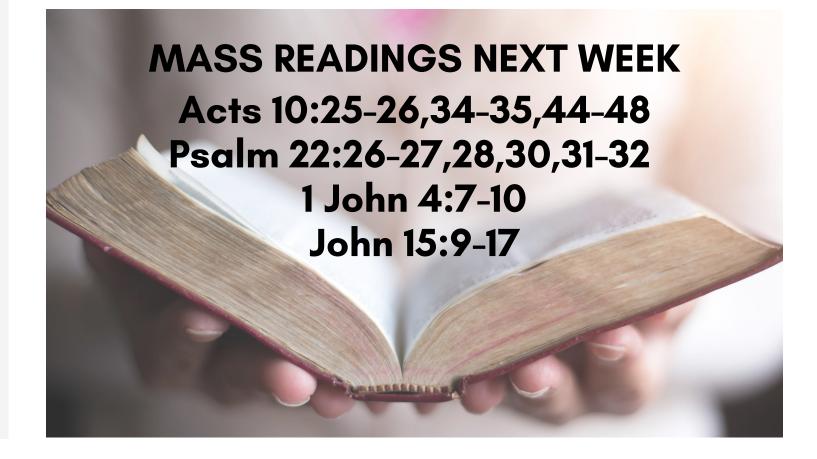
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ILLNESS: Michael Slattery, Allison Leicester, Liz Docker, Peter Plumridge, Lucy Menezes, Aliai Coyle-Madut, Lucy Bueno, Faye Fong, Kosta Mihos, Megan Jenkins, Bob Hughes, Edna Campbell, Paul Dear, Anne Jenkins, Tony Waller, Edwinda Fitsimon, Margaret Puli, Sam Navarria, Lisa Masey, Louise Wheelhouse

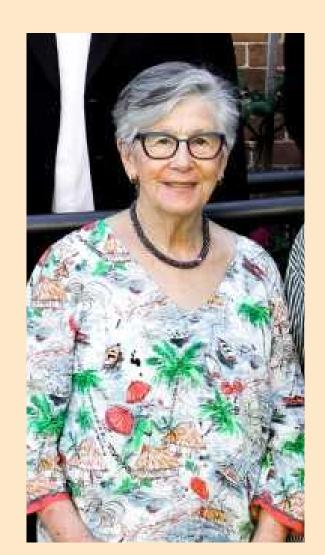
ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret and Dot Mulquiney, Ursula McCarthy

ST MARY'S

ILLNESS: Clare Curry-Harris, Peter Salvatore, Mick Corry, Carmel Ryan, Fred Sacr, Judy Ferrigno, Pierre Sacr, Mary Murphy, Tom Van Kampem, Maria Reilly, Delia Burns, Mick Zuccala, Joe Natoli







Morning Tea For Carole

Friday 14th May St Joan of Arc Presbytery

Carole has just retired as our wonderful pastoral associate in the Brighton parishes. Please join us for morning tea to thank Carole for her dedication and care. Morning tea will be served in the presbytery dining room after the 9.15am Mass.

Don't forget to sign the card for Carole in the church foyer.



Centenary 1921-2021

Feast Day Celebration Sunday 30th May

St Joan of Arc was canonised in 1920 and our parish was established and dedicated to her the following year. Come along to the 11am Mass to celebrate this great event in our centenary year. We will also be presenting the St James and St Joan of Arc Parish awards. Refreshments will be served after the Mass. All welcome!



Parish Dinner Choir Practice

Wednesday nights 7.30pm,

at O'Neills.

CHOIR MEMBERS

Do you enjoy singing? We are looking to form choirs to sing at weekend Masses for any of these Bayside Mission churches: St Joan of Arc (Brighton),

St Mary's (Hampton), Stella Maris (Beaumaris).

For more info scan this QR code or contact our Music Director, Jeff - 0424 477 446 or email jeff-heath@hotmail.com

