

Sunday Mass Times:	Saturday	6.00 PM (Vigil)
	Sunday	8.30 AM, 10.00 AM 5.30 PM
Weekday Mass Times:	Monday - Tuesday	9.00 AM
	Wednesday - Friday	9.00 AM & 7.30 PM
	Saturday	9.30 AM
Reconciliation:	Saturday	10.00—11.00 AM 5.30—6.00 PM
Baptism:	2nd & 3rd Sunday	11.15 AM (By Appointment)
	Preparation on the 1st Thursday prior to the Baptism	
Marriages:	By Appointment	
Expositions:	Wednesday	9.30—11.00 AM
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:	Wednesday 7.00 PM	



ENTRANCE: GA 212 vs. 1, 2, 3 & 4—Come as you are.

READINGS: Isaiah 35: 4-7 St James 2: 1-5 Mark 7: 31-37

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 145 (spoken) - Praise the Lord, my soul!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus preached the Good News of the Kingdom
and healed all who were sick.
Alleluia!

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS: GA 191 vs. 2, 3 & 4—Gift of finest wheat.

COMMUNION: GA 470 vs. 1, 2 & 3—As gentle as silence.

RECESSIONAL: GA 454 vs. 1, 2 & 5—How can I keep from singing?

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS (Yr. B): Isaiah 50: 5-9 St James 2: 14-18 Mark 8: 27-35

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (347—407) - 13 SEPTEMBER

St. John, named Chrysostom (golden-mouthed) on account of his eloquence, came into the world of Christian parents, about the year 344, in the city of Antioch. His mother, at the age of 20, was a model of virtue. He studied rhetoric under Libanius, a pagan, the most famous orator of the age. In 374, he began to lead the life of an anchorite in the mountains near Antioch, but in 386 the poor state of his health forced him to return to Antioch, where he was ordained a priest. In 398, he was elevated to the See of Constantinople and became one of the greatest lights of the Church. But he had enemies in high places. His most powerful enemy, however, was the empress Eudoxia, who was offended by the apostolic freedom of his discourses. Several accusations were brought against him in a pseudo-council, and he was sent into exile. In the midst of his sufferings, like the apostle, St. Paul, whom he so greatly admired, he found the greatest peace and happiness. He had the consolation of knowing that the Pope remained his friend, and did for him what lay in his power. His enemies were not satisfied with the sufferings he had already endured, and they banished him still further, to Pythius, at the very extremity of the Empire. He died on his way there on 14 September 407.

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“‘Courage! Do not be afraid. Look, your God is coming,Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy” (Is 35:4-6)

My dear brothers and sisters,

In our day-to-day life, we all experience different impediments, either physical or spiritual, which deprive us of enjoying our life meaningfully. In today's Gospel Jesus heals the physical disabilities of a man. This miracle of the making the deaf hear and the dumb speak in gentile territory had an astonishing impact on the people. The gentiles were all surprised to see the divine power of Jesus and they praised him. This reaction of the gentiles remind us of the opposite picture of Nazareth where Jesus' own people did not accept him well. The spiritual deafness of the people of Nazareth saddened Jesus. They did not understand the transforming power of kindness and compassion.

Our spiritual deafness and muteness is worse than being physically deaf and dumb. The tragedy of the modern world is that we are often unable to speak to God in prayer and to hear God speak to us in the depths of our heart. Being his own people, we consciously tend to avoid Jesus and the life he wants us to live. We are so busy with our work that we fail to make some time for our own spiritual life. As Jesus took the deaf man aside in private to heal him, so we too need to go with Jesus in private so that he may heal us from our spiritual disabilities.

Let us reflect his weekend upon how open we are to listen to the voice of God. We all struggle at times with listening, and we especially may struggle to be alone with him. Let us spend some time alone with our Lord and let Him heal us so that you can hear and proclaim all that He is saying to us.

May God bless you and your families.

Fr. Dominic Rozario, OMI

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—9 SEPTEMBER 2018



FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Thursday 13 September—St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor.

Friday 14 September—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Saturday 15 September—Our Lady of Sorrows.



PLEASE PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS AND FAMILY WHO ARE ILL

Jan & John Flowers, Dagmar Casey, Hans Lange, Darryl Shillong, Fr Joe Hynan, Anna Lucato, John Paul Thauberger, Vicki Schwab, Lorraine De Silva, Doris Portelli & Colin Hare.

*Please note: Particular names of the sick will be placed in the bulletin and prayers of the faithful for one month after which a new request will need to be made. Remember, we pray for ALL the sick at every Mass.



PLANNED GIVING

Weekly pledged amount—\$3,091.73
Amount contributed last week—\$4,217.15
(envelopes & credit cards)
1st Collection last week—\$1,250.65

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 19 September—Confirmation Mass at 7.00pm with Bishop Elliott.

Saturday 27 October—SJV Family Fun day from 9.30am—4.30pm

S.J.V. GREEN & BROWN THUMBS GARDEN CLUB



Our next meeting will be on Monday, September 10th at 9.45 am. Our guest speaker will be Michael Hare, Secretary of the Australian Rhododendron Society. Michael will have some plants for sale on the day. Sue Springfield 9546 0327 or Carol Bursey 0424 443 275

Please put this newsletter in the stands at the church doors, if you are not taking it home. Thank you.

AT SJV THIS WEEK

SJV Youth Group—Monday - Juniors (Year 7 to 10) 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm, Seniors (Year 11 to 30 y.o.): 8:00 pm to 9:15 pm - for more information, contact Tishan Lokuge (0488 007 130, sjvyouthoya@gmail.com).

Mary Immaculate Pray Group—Tuesday at 9.45am—Augustine Ladavac 0425 256 991.

Stillness Meditation Therapy—Wednesday from 11.30am—12.30 pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

Novena—Wednesday at 7.00pm.

Dad's Army—Thursday from 9.00am—11.30am (Maintenance of church, church grounds and a social gathering of the men of our parish).

Divine Mercy Chaplet—Thursday at 9.30am in the back Chapel.

MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA MASS



You are invited to a special Mass in honour of St Mother Teresa of Calcutta of Sunday 16 September at 2.30pm at SJV. All welcome.

STILLNESS MEDITATION THERAPY

Stillness Meditation Therapy (SMT) sessions will finish on 12 September, and will resume again in 2019. Dates and times to be confirmed early in the year. If you would like to know more about the benefits of SMT and how it can help you cope with stress you may like to contact Anita Davine on 0438025275 or look online: www.stillnessmeditation.com.au

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 30 September. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: "A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land". The Statement challenges us all to confront Australia's growing rate of homelessness and unaffordable housing. For further details visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or call (02) 8306 3499.

POSITIONS VACANT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:
Youth Ministry Worker, Oakleigh Parishes
Temporary Parish Secretary, Nazareth Parish, Beaumaris
Parish Secretary, St Francis Xavier Parish, Frankston
Youth Minister, Youth Ministry Partnership Program
Personal Assistant, Ministry to Priests, Carlton
Youth Ministry Leader, St Kevin's Parish, Templestowe
Campus Pastoral Associate, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne
Business & Office Manager, St Simon's Parish, Rowville
Project Officer: Plenary Council Project, Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation, East Melbourne
Project Officer-Northern Corridor Service Development, CatholicCare, East Melbourne
Further details can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <http://www.cam.org.au/Jobs.aspx>

SAVE THE DATE



16 October at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall. View the must see Canadian documentary on euthanasia "Fatal Flaws". Find out more about this vital issue so you will be well informed when the subject comes up in conversation. Many people in favour of euthanasia change their minds when they learn the true facts. Invite your friends and family to come along.

WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



SJV FAMILY FUN DAY



HELP REQUIRED WITH SORTING

We require some help sorting clothes and books on Saturday 15 September from 8.45-11.45am in Fr John's garage.

MAJOR RAFFLE TICKET SALES

We are asking for your help in selling a book of raffle tickets. Each book contains 20 tickets at \$2 a ticket. If you think you could help, please pick up a book of tickets at all Masses this weekend. Or you can call Alice Peters on 0413 999 898 for a book of tickets. Your help is so much appreciated. Thank you.

DONATIONS FOR THE FETE

We are asking for donations of jams & sauces. Also donations of new items for the hampers - toiletries, toys, colouring books, pens, pencils, perfumes, after shaves or anything that would look good in a hamper.

IMPORTANT: please do not place these items for the fete in the black St Vinnies bins. **There will be a box in the MAIN FOYER of the church for the fete items.** Thank you.

WHITE ELEPHANT

Goods will be received at the **GREEN SHED ONLY** on **Tuesdays and Saturdays from 9.30am—11.30am.** Only accepting goods that fit into a car boot. **Please DO NOT leave goods on the porch at the front door of the Parish Office.**

CHURCH CLEANING: Monday 10 September—Team C: Theresa Gilson, Elena Sarro & Annette Wickman.

COUNTING TEAM: Sunday 16 September—Team 5: Peter Giuliano (Captain), Brian Girling & Shane De Hoedt.



Held in the Parish Hall
Thursday at 7.30pm & Friday at 11.45am

THURSDAY BINGO ROSTER: 13 September—Team B: David Leeson, Hartmut Luecke, Peter Giuliano, Brian Wellman, Paul Buhagiar & James Dobeli.

THURSDAY CANTEEN: June Chia & Rosa Mascetta.

FRIDAY BINGO ROSTER: 14 September—Team A: Loraine Browning, Elaine Kvackaj & Bernice Walsh.

FRIDAY CANTEEN: Hal Keegel & Sandie Aguiar.

AUXILIARY RAFFLE:
Thursday: Pat Dennis & Freda Butler.
Friday: Bev Wellman & Kath Holliday.