

Sacramental Timetable

Sunday Masses:	Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30 am, 10.30 am
Weekdays:	Mon - Fri 9.15am
Rosary:	Monday – Friday after 9.15am Mass
Reconciliation:	Saturdays: 10.45-11.30am

Sunday School

Please pray for REX SHELLEY, brother of Sr Joy who died on Friday, 21st August. He is home and at rest in God.

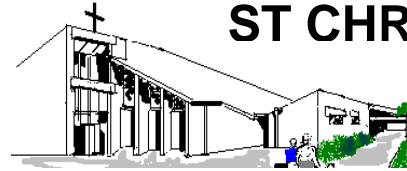
Rosters for Saturday, 29th and Sunday, 30th August, 2009

Prayers of the Faithful Ministers of the Sick	Maureen Hegarty, Kath Richards, Sue McCarthy Constance Foo, John McFadyen, Margaret McFadyen, Michelle Lee, Jessica Scully, Ivan Perera, Victoria Choi		
	Counters John Carter, Vic Maslen, Anthony Chong		
Morning Tea after Mass	Karen Van der Gaag, Espi Sugay		
Church Flowers	Wendy Rajapakse		
	Saturday 6.00 pm	Sunday 8.30 am	Sunday 10.30 am
Sacristan	Robert Foo	Paul McCulloch	Chris De Silva
Setting Up For Mass	Henry and June Chia and family	Pat Foo	Keith and Margaret Campbell
Welcomers	Jo Chin	Glad and Tony Hough	Genny and Charles Leeworthy
Commentator	Amy Nguyen	David Whalan	Kath Richards
Reader	Denise Nguyen	Paul McCulloch	Maria Vecchio
Lay Ministers	Graeme Madden Delphine Domingue Estelle Marianne Dierdre Howard	Betty Robinson Brian Gleeson Tony Hough Helen Au Yeung	Marie Murphy Cheryl Hackett Zachery Anthony Gerard & Shivanthi Chitty
Altar Servers	Andrew Hackett Patrick Espiritu Danielle Martin	Graham Perrin	Joshua Van der Gaag Kara and Zoe Ludekens Jessica Parkes Jessica and Joelle Fernando
Music	Kieran, Marg and Jessica	Recorded music	John Adolfo and Leilani Tuazon

The Pilgrim Statue 30th Aug – 6th Sept 09	Joanne and family. Mary, Woman of Nazareth, ever attentive to the needs of the family, pray for us.
St Christopher's Syndal Community Helpers	For confidential care & support in emergencies & times of need. ☎ Cath 9803 7302, Pauline 9802 9743 or Margaret 9802 6536.
Telephone Prayer Chain	Available 24 hours a day. All requests & enquiries confidential. Flo ☎9803 1717, Nicole/Peter ☎ 9802 9321, Marilyn ☎ 9887 9139
Financial last week	Thanksgiving offering: \$ 1,002.00 (upkeep of church) Loose cash: \$ 194.50 Total: \$ 1,196.50 First Collection: \$ 938.20 (upkeep of presbytery)

RECENT DEATHS - we pray for Rex Shelley, brother of Sr Joy, who died Fri 21st Aug & Sr Margaret Atkins, who died last week

ANNIVERSARIES - Monica Oscar, Evelyn Moesbergen, Annie Lucas, Mary Dowd, Eileen Barnes, Naomi Duff, Br. Bob Bradley SAC, Francesca Biviano, Evelyn Johnston, Isola Pagliaro, Chris Poskitt, Antonio Colla, Veronica Worcester, Doreen Brook



ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
23rd August 2009

Website: www.syndalcatholic.org.au
www.syndalcatholic.org.au/bulletin.htm
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IN THE CARE OF THE PALLOTTINES

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Sr Joy Shelley FDCC

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Joanna Phua
Meredith Kelly

School Principal:
Mr Shane Tobin

School Secretary:
Jenny Bamber

Parish Council Chair:
Justin Tan

**Parish Council
Secretary:**
David Ball

READINGS
THIS WEEK (Year B):
1st: Joshua 24: 1-2,15-18
Resp Psalm:
Ps 33:2-3,16-23
2nd: Ephesians 5:21-32
Gospel: John 6:60-69

We are faced this 21st Sunday with the reality of choice. We are not simply a chosen people, but a choosing people. Joshua asks his people to choose and declares before them his own choice to serve the Lord. Joshua's challenge: "Choose this day whom you will serve" parallels Jesus' words to his disciples: "Will you also go away?" It is easy to find excuses to leave. Our first choices can turn sour, like Judas, or many disciples who found Jesus' words intolerable. This passage reflects the struggle in John's Christian community and in our own. It takes courage to live the answer: "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord"; to stake our belief like Peter for the sake of those who waver and those who stay: "Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life". May we renew our choice of the Lord in the gift of himself in the Eucharist.

ENTRANCE

ANTIPHON: Listen Lord, and answer me. Save your servant who trusts in you. I call to you all day long, have mercy on me, O Lord.

RESPONSORIAL

PSALM: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL

ACCLAMATION:

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

COMMUNION

ANTIPHON: The Lord says: The man who eats my flesh and drinks my blood will live for ever; I shall raise him to life on the last day.

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

1st: Deut 4:1-2,6-8
Resp Psalm: Ps 14:2-5
2nd:
James 1:17-18,21-22,27
Gospel:
Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23



A WORD FROM ST VINCENT PALLOTTI

My Jesus, I want to leave you no more in liberty. Your infinite love, & mercy, have chained you to me; you are wholly mine. You are so much mine that no one can take you away from me; not even the Father, unless I reject you by sin.

Please keep disabled parking areas free in front of the church for parishioners



ZONE HOME MASSES

- **27th August 7.30pm, for Zones Q and R** at the home of Noel and Gayle Roberts, 3 Graham Street, Glen Waverley.
- **8th September, 7.30pm, for Zones Y and Z** at the home of Matta & John Nguyen, 27 Saladin Avenue, Glen Waverley.
- **18th September, 7.30pm, for Zones I and L** at the home of Shelagh & Brian Gleeson, 3 Utah Road, Glen Waverley.

MARY QUEEN OF APOSTLES CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING NEW LIFE IN GOD'S SPIRIT

Eight Wednesday nights until 16th Sept in the Cenacle. All welcome

5th Session: Wed 26th August, 8.00 pm
"Forgiveness, Healing & Reconciliation"
Speaker: **Anne Martin**

Enquiries/Bookings: Flo McMahon ☎9803 1717
Rosa Bonaddio ☎9562 0005

MESSAGE FROM HIS HOLINESS BENEDICT XVI FOR
95TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES
24TH – 30TH AUG 2009 / SEE FLYER IN NARTHEX

Sister Joy's brother, **Rex Shelley**, died peacefully in Singapore on Friday and went to his eternal rest. **Receive his soul, and present him to God the Most High.**

RIPPLES JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP
Sunday, 30th August: "Ripples Café" after 10.30am Mass

MORNING TEA EVERY THURSDAY MORNING
from 3rd September 2009, after 9.15am
Mass. Everyone is welcome.

"UNDERSTANDING CONFIRMATION TODAY"
FR PAUL TURNER

Tues 25th August, 9.30am-12.30pm
at Treacy Centre, 126 The Avenue, Parkville.
Contact: Fr Pat ☎ 9802 8538

SCHOOL REVIEW Tues 25th August all day. Let us pray for a good report from the VRQA: The Principal and staff have worked tirelessly all year in preparation for this review.



NATIONAL DAFFODIL DAY
28th August

AT A GLANCE: ☪

- ⇒ EDUCATION BOARD TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 7.15PM
- ⇒ BIBLE READING WEDNESDAYS AFTER 9.15AM MASS
- ⇒ RCIA WEDNESDAYS AT 7.30PM
- ⇒ BIBLE STUDY FRIDAYS AT 1.30PM
- ⇒ SATURDAY CATECHISM 4.50PM FOLLOWED BY MASS
- ⇒ **DARING TO BE DIFFERENT – A JOURNEY TOWARDS A JUST WORLD. THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST 7.00PM** Eldon Hogan Performing Arts Centre, Xavier College, Barkers Rd Kew.
- ⇒ **PARISH ON FIRE CONFERENCE 2ND – 4TH OCTOBER. St Scholastica's Parish, 348 Burwood Highway, Bennettswood. \$70.** Enquiries: Maria Feleppa ☎ 9808 8483 / 0409 335 704. acommade@bigpond.net.au. Registration forms in the Narthex

JOYFUL NEWS ::: Congratulations to **Matt Yates and Jessica Scully**, who recently declared their engagement to be married. Every blessing on you both!

ST CHRISTOPHER'S TENNIS CLUB
SOCIAL NIGHT TENNIS UNDER LIGHTS
Every Wednesday 7.30pm
All welcome



YEAR FOR PRIESTS Prayer

*For our priests and bishops,
That seeing in Christ the one who has the
message of eternal life they might always
remain with him, living lives of fidelity
and joy. Lord, hear us.*

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD 12th Sept
10.00 am at St Patrick's Cathedral
We pray for our Priests being ordained.

55+ SOCIAL CLUB Forthcoming Events

- Sun 13th September Outing to Mount Dandenong leaving after 10.30am Mass
- Sun 11th October Shared lunch and Trivia at the Cenacle
- Sun 8th November Christmas theme, as this is the last event for 2009

MARRIAGE WEEK

13th – 19th September 2009

On the weekend of 12th/13th September, at all Masses, I would like to invite couples to renew their marriage vows and receive a special blessing.

MARRIAGE EQUALITY BILL 2009

closes 28th August! If passed, the Bill would allow 2 men, or 2 women, to "marry". It would radically change what marriage means in Australia. **Can you help?** All you need to do is send a short email opposing the bill to legcon.sen@aph.gov.au. In the subject please put "Marriage Equality Bill". Include your name, street address, with postcode.

CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY 13th September 2009 "Promoting Safety for all in our Parish"

The aim is to continue engaging the broader Catholic community in education about abuse and the effects of abuse on individuals, families and community, and on positive steps for the prevention of abuse.

BROTHER KEVIN'S 80TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION was simply marvellous! Merle Gilbo, one of our UAC people who knew Br Kevin from the apostolic groups in Kew in the '50's, said it was "a most appropriate mix of prayer, welcome & hospitality, - an important part of any Christian celebration. Thanks to everyone for the wonderful variety of food in true Syndal style".

SALESIAN COLLEGE CHADSTONE 2009 Annual Reunion Dinner Friday, 16th October 2009

Highlighting the classes of 69, 79, 89 and 99
Bosco Campus, Bosco Street, Chadstone
Enquiries: Mary Menz 9807 2644
mmenz@salesianchad.vic.edu.au

EMBRACING THE COSMOS IN THEOLOGY AND SPIRITUALITY: *NOURISHMENT AND CHALLENGE FOR OUR TIMES*

By Sr Patricia Foley pbvm
Sat 29th August 2009, 10am-3pm
Janssen Spirituality Centre,
22 Woodvale Rd Boronia
Contact: Sr Mila 9762 6625
Suggested donation: \$40

ROYAL VICTORIAN EYE & EAR HOSPITAL SEMINAR "Are your eyes trying to tell you something?"

Wednesday, 2nd Sept 2009 7.30pm
Waverley Baptist Centre, Cnr Lum and
Waverley Rds Glen Waverley
RSVP: Jennie 9808 8592 / Office 9560 2052

Pallottine Youth Encounter

- Sun 30th Aug: Talk 7.00pm-8.30pm
- **LEADERSHIP TRAINING DAY** with Jonathan Doyle, MLMEd
Saturday, 12th September, 10am-3pm
Thomas Carr Centre, East Melbourne
Registration is free. info@aoy.org.au
on or before 1st Sept. ☎ 9412 3300

