

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

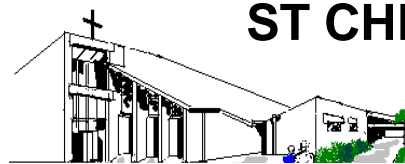
Confirmation carries with it the service of others.
As candidates, you have been served at SS, it's now your turn to serve.

Rosters for Saturday, 31st Oct & Sunday, 1st Nov 2009

Prayers of the Faithful	Cath Gavan, Kath Chosich		
Ministers of the Sick	Mary Makarucha, Gloria Bautista, Betty Robinson, Pat Foo, Margaret Foley		
Counters	Graham Baker, David Ball, Patrick Griffin		
Morning Tea after Mass	Karen Van der Gaag, Espi Sugay		
Church Flowers	Nhung Mai		
	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	Angela Haymes	Angelo and Sherrin Fernando
Welcomers	Val Espiritu and family	Glad and Tony Hough	Louise Maugeri and family
Commentator	Helen Lauritz	Piero Pagliaro	David Cook
Reader	Robert Foo	Ben Worsteling	Kath Richards
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 and Shivanthi Chitty
Altar Servers	Michael & David Loo Kurt and Kate Aniban	Ivan Ooi Daniel Lee	Christopher Keogh Janelle Johnson Jessica Johan Tim Mamilovic Jake Murphy
Music	John Adolfo and Leilani Tuazon	Recorded music	

The Pilgrim Statue 1st – 8th Nov	Floraine and David. With Mary, we rejoice with the Communion of Saints and pray for those who have died.
St Christopher's Syndal Community Helpers	For confidential care & support in emergencies & times of need. ☎ Cath 9803 7302, Pauline 9802 9743 or Margaret 9807 3560.
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: \$ 1,578.00 (upkeep of church) Loose cash: \$ 173.45 Total: \$ 1,751.45 First Collection: \$ 812.50 (upkeep of presbytery)

RECENT DEATH – *we pray for* Monica Hughes, who died at Waverley Valley Aged Care
ANNIVERSARIES - *we remember* Isobel Joseph, Allan Sadler, Ellen Stewart,
Faye Tehan, Jim Malloy, Nora Fleming, John Harrison, John Dalton, Lionel De Silva,
Fred Waugh, Eileen Kelly, Eileen Hardy, Sean Gavan



IN THE CARE OF THE PALLOTTINES

ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
25th October, 2009

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Mr Shane Tobin

School Secretary:
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Justin Tan

Parish Council Secretary:
David Ball

READINGS
THIS WEEK (Year B):
1st: Jeremiah 31:7-9
Resp Psalm: Ps 125
2nd: Hebrews 5:1-6
Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

Today's Gospel is the final frame to Jesus' teaching on faith & following. Like two book-ends, Mark 8:22 and Mark 10:46 (2 healings of blind men), form a framework for discipleship which requires disciples to really see, to have faith in Jesus, & to follow him. Like the first blind man, who sees partially and over time, the disciples are reluctant to follow Jesus to Jerusalem. In 3 separate incidents where Jesus predicts his Passion, the disciples are totally unable to comprehend his meaning. They argue who will be first, the greatest, or have the best seats. Jesus counters by presenting 3 requirements for true discipleship. The healing of Bartimaeus is in sharp contrast to the attitude of the disciples. He sees, jumps up and joyfully follows Jesus on the way. May Bartimaeus' prayer - "Lord, that I may see" - have the same effect on our lives.



ENTRANCE

ANTIPHON: Let hearts rejoice who search for the Lord. Seek the Lord and his strength, seek always the face of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL

PSALM: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

GOSPEL

ACCLAMATION:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

COMMUNION

ANTIPHON: We will rejoice at the victory of God and make our boast in his great name.

READINGS NEXT WK:
1st: Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Resp Psalm:
Ps 17:2-4,47-51
2nd: Hebrews 7:23-28
Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

**A WORD FROM
ST VINCENT PALLOTTI**

When we desire something useful, it is God who instils the wish, and when we pray for it, it is truly God who asks through us.



**MARY QUEEN OF APOSTLES
CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING** in the Cenacle **Wed 28th October, 8.00pm.** *All welcome.*

A REMEMBRANCE MASS for all members of our Parish family who have died will be celebrated at **10.30am Mass, Sunday, 15th November.** For those who have died in 2009 could you please bring a photo to be pinned up at the start of Mass. ***Please let us have the photos early.*** ~ Fr Pat.

MASSES FOR ALL SOULS are 9.15am and 7.30pm

THE BOOK OF LIFE is available in the Narthex for you to include the names of your deceased family members, relatives and friends. **During All Souls Day and each day in November, this book will be carried to the altar and Mass offered for the repose of their souls.**

MINISTRY THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION: **Thursday, 12th November, 7.15pm.** Replies are coming in. If you are coming, please let us know so that we can cater. ~ Fr Pat.

ACCOMMODATION WANTED - A very responsible gentleman is looking for accommodation to rent a room with use of kitchen and bathroom. Please contact Office: ☎ 9802 8538.

NO Ripples Cafe on 25th Oct. Last & final Ripples Cafe will be on 29th Nov

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

The Mission Appeal and Collection was changed to this Sunday so that everyone could be prepared. St Christopher's has a great record of hospitality. The need is great. Please give generously.

CONGRATULATIONS to St Christopher's School children for their wonderful Mission Day. The Grade 5's launched "St Christopher's Mission Ship" with its containers of tents, blankets, clothes, clean water & medicines. They raised \$271 for Caritas for the victims of floods, earthquakes & Tsunami (F.E.T.). Well done Grade 5 students for 2 weeks collecting!

PRAYER SPONSORS FOR SECONDARY & TERTIARY STUDENTS – *Students, please put your names on sheets in the Narthex! Sponsors are keen to support you by their prayers.*

ST CHRISTOPHER'S TENNIS CLUB SOCIAL NIGHT TENNIS UNDER LIGHTS EVERY WEDNESDAY commencing at 7.30pm.

AT A GLANCE: ☪
⇒ **RCIA WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 7.30PM**

DON'T FORGET THE

WALTER SILVESTER MEMORIAL LECTURE TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 6 FOR 6.30 PM
Fr Pat has seats available and a car pool is on hand!

Please let us know on ☎ 9802 8538, so that we can arrange transport.

ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING on **Wednesday, 28th October, 3.30pm** with drinks and biscuits. We have 6 new servers in training.

On Saturday, 31st Oct 2pm, at St Patrick's Cathedral, the LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR CELEBRATE 125 YEARS IN MELBOURNE AND CANONISATION OF THEIR FOUNDRESS, JEANNE JUGAN.

MEDITATION GROUP now meets **Third Tuesday** of the month, **7.30pm.**

The Forest Hill **Pallottine Spirituality Group** now meets on the **2nd Tuesday of the month 1.00pm** in the Presbytery.

PARISH REVIEW REPORT AND PARISH ACTIVITY LIST on the Noticeboard in the Narthex. A4 printed copies in the presbytery, should you like one.

MEETING OF ZONE REPS AND PARISHIONERS on **Thursday, 29th October, 7.30pm.** After celebrating Masses in the 26 Zones, we want to look at Zone groupings, share experiences and plan forward.

HALL REFURBISHMENT

We are continuing to explore ways in which the extension and renovation of the Hall can be undertaken in light of the costs associated with the original proposal. Negotiations are continuing with builders and the architects to determine what can be done to bring the project in on budget. This process is likely to take another few weeks. We are still working towards a starting date of 1st December.

SCHOOL: The School will install the leading brand of Interactive Whiteboards ("Promethean Digital Active Boards") in each classroom.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION DAY **Wed 28th October.** *This is a must for all who are preparing for the Sacrament of the Spirit.* The day involves prayers, reflection, time for reconciliation, practical enjoyable activities and lunch.

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be conferred by Bishop Tomlinson on **Friday, 6th November, at 7.30pm.**
Please pray for our candidates and call down the Spirit powerfully on each one of them.

ABORTION LAW REFORM BILL ANNIVERSARY - Sunday, 25th October, Ecumenical Prayer Service at St Patrick's Cathedral at **12.30pm** and **inspiring speakers at 2.00pm** at Cardinal Knox Centre, East Melbourne.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLMENT DAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2009 - 9.30am in the Hall & **11.30am** in the Narthex after the 10.30am Mass, for preparation of the **Sacraments 2010, Grade 5 Bible Challenge, Yr7-Uni Leadership Formation.**

PIETY STALL Columban Calendars \$7 each, and **Christmas Cards \$5** for pack of 10, now available.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Matt Yates & Jessica Scully** who celebrate their engagement on Sat 14th November. Also, to **James Cheong & Jill Teo**, who were engaged recently. Matt & Jess have been part of the Parish since Prep at St Christopher's; with James and Jill, significant in their youth work & music ministry as young adults.

COMBINED SCHOOL-PARISH FETE
As part of our 50th Anniversary celebration, we are having a Fete, November 2010 & later in 2011 a liturgical & social celebration. An inaugural meeting will be held on **Tues 27th October, 7.30pm** in the School.


Pallottine Youth Encounter

PYE Social-All Saints' Night Trivia! Sunday, 1st November, 7 to 8.30pm in the Cenacle. *Take a break from exam studies & join PYE for an evening of fun. Team up and test your knowledge on genres like movie lines, song lyrics, history, science & much more!*

Hip-Hop Dance on Sunday, 15th November. Venue: TBA

