



St Albans | Sydenham

# Sacred Heart - Emmaus St. Albans - Sydenham

*'Where we Pray, Work, Share and Celebrate Together to carry forward the work of Christ under the lead of the befriending Spirit'*

## Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year A - 3rd May 2026

### Parish Priest:

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### Weekday Mass Times:

**Sacred Heart Church**  
Tuesday - Friday: 7:30am  
Saturday: 9:00am

### Weekend Mass Times:

**Sacred Heart Church**  
Saturday (Vigil): 5:00pm  
Sunday: 7:30am  
9:00am (Polish)  
10:30am  
2nd Sun of month: 5:00pm (Slovene)

### Emmaus Church

Saturday (Vigil): 6:30pm  
Sunday: 9:00am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

**Sacred Heart Church**  
Saturday: 9:30am  
4th Sat of month: 4:00pm (Maltese)

**Baptism:** Eight weeks notice is required

**Marriage:** Six months notice is required

### Acknowledgement of Country

Sacred Heart - Emmaus Parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the traditional custodians of the land upon which our Parish stands.

### Safeguarding Policy

Sacred Heart - Emmaus Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing & protection of children, young people & people at risk in our community. For matters of concern, please contact 0413 841 936 or [stalbans.csc@cam.org.au](mailto:stalbans.csc@cam.org.au)



### CatholicCare Sunday Appeal

This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August).

This year, the Appeal aims to give

hope and support to people experiencing homelessness. Our faith calls us to welcome the stranger and care for those most in need. Your compassion ensures individuals and families are supported with safe housing, practical assistance, and compassionate care as they rebuild their lives. Your generosity helps open the door to safety, dignity and hope. Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal.

You can donate:

- Using the appeal envelope available in our parish
- Online - [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au)
- Phone - (03) 9967 2515
- Scan the QR Code All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible.



"For I was a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matthew 25:35)

### Confirmation of our School Students

We welcome our Grade 6 school students from Sacred Heart, Emmaus & Cana who will be celebrating their Sacrament of Confirmation this Fri 1, Sat 2 & Sun 3 May. We congratulate them & wish them all the best in their Sacrament that seals and strengthens the baptized person with a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

- Sacred Heart Students - Fri 1 May, 6pm at Sacred Heart Church
- Emmaus Students - Sat 2 May, 11am & 1pm at Emmaus Church
- Cana Students - Sun 3 May, 1pm & 3.30pm at Emmaus Church



### Call for Children Participating in Mass - Altar Servers

We congratulate the young members of our Parish who are volunteering for the ministry of Altar Serving in the Parish. On Saturday **9 May** there will be a training session at Sacred Heart Church at 11am and one at Emmaus Church at 2pm. We hope all altar servers will attend. The roster and launch of our Altar Servers will be on the weekend of the 9 and 10 of May. Any other children that are still interested in joining the Alter Servers, please fill out the sign-up sheet and application form sitting in the foyers.

### Mass Counts

The National Count of Attendance will be taking place over four weeks in May, with the first weekend of the Count taking place this weekend 2 & 3 May. This year it will be a National Mass Count, requiring more details than previous years. This special count occurs every 5 years all over Australia. Weekend 3 we will be asking gender and weekend 4 we will be asking age.



### Fr Linh Tran - away on REACH - Vietnam Project

Fr Linh is going away this coming week to Vietnam on a special project that he was involved with in his previous Parish. REACH - Vietnam supports the most vulnerable youth in Vietnam with the vocational training, life skills and job opportunities they need to build a better future for them and their families. Fr Linh returns towards the end of May.

### Monthly "Cuppa" Morning Tea

Our Hospitality Ministry will be serving tea & coffee this weekend **Sat 2 - Sun 3 May**, after each Mass during our monthly "cuppa". Please join us for a chat. All welcome.



### Sound System Total

Thank you to all our parishioners who have kindly donated towards the Sound System upgrade at Sacred Heart. Through your incredible generosity we have raised a total of **\$34,834**. This has totally exceeded expectations and we are very thankful for your support, it shows the generosity and love of our Sacred Heart Church.



### Resurrection Kings Park 50th Jubilee - 24 May

As we prepare to celebrate a significant milestone in the life of our community, we would like to extend a warm invitation to parishioners from our neighbouring parishes who have been part of Resurrection Parish over the years. Resurrection Catholic Parish, Kings Park, will be celebrating its **50th Jubilee** on **Sunday 24 May**. The celebration will begin with **Mass at 10.30am**, followed by a community gathering and festivities in the parish hall. *We look forward to celebrating together.*



### Marriage Encounter is coming to Melton in June!



worldwide marriage encounter

Every married couple deserves this very special weekend. Time-out for the two of you to focus on your most precious relationship. You will come away feeling more deeply connected and with tools to help keep your renewed intimacy alive. No group sharing is required. The weekend is based on Catholic values and couples of all faiths are very welcome. We are offering a live-out weekend experience at St Dominic's parish and school on **June 26-28th**. Starts at 7pm on Friday evening and concludes on Sunday afternoon around 4:30pm. For information / bookings: Please phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: [vicbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au) Website: [wwme.org.au](http://wwme.org.au)

### Bulletin on Email

You can view the Bulletin on our website from Friday afternoons or pick-up a copy at Mass. We encourage you to subscribe to the weekly bulletin via our website: <https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/subscription?id=0012w00000LOj6oAAD&req=subscribe>

### Weekly Bulletin Submissions / Announcements

Please submit your notices / anniversaries by Wednesday COB, the earlier the better. For Anniversaries, please make it clear, what mass date / time you want.

### Parking on Sacred Heart Church Grounds

The areas near or in front of the church entrances are designated for drop-off only. We kindly remind everyone to park in the designated parking lots to ensure easy and safe access

## Liturgy Rosters

### 3rd MAY 2026

#### Sacred Heart 5:00pm Mass

Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Veronica Shergill
Prayers of the faithful	Mario Orsini
Communion - 1	Josephine Vo
Communion - 2	Monica Snooks
Communion - 3	Annmarie Zahra

#### Sacred Heart 7:30am Mass

Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Maria Salinas-Sutrisna
Prayers of the faithful	Anthony Anastasi
Communion - 1	Maria Vilas Boas
Communion - 2	Christine King
Communion - 3	Jane Springer

#### Sacred Heart 10:30am Mass

Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Shona Aniseto
Prayers of the faithful	Angela Mizzi
Communion - 1	Josephine Borg
Communion - 2	Vinie Weir
Communion - 3	Leanne Turcic

#### Emmaus 6:30pm Mass

Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Christine Rodrigues
Prayers of the faithful	Jan Szostak
Communion - 1	Denzil Aranha
Communion - 2	Greta Baracho
Communion - 3	Racheal Pinheiro

#### Emmaus 9:00am Mass

Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Brian Davis
Prayers of the faithful	Thomas Pham
Communion - 1	Maria Mercadante
Communion - 2	Farah Tyrell
Communion - 3	Ioapo Tyrell

## Sacraments

**Baptisms** - next baptism is on 17 May at Emmaus Church

**Confirmations** - are occurring this Fri 1, Sat 2 & Sun 3 May for our Grade 6 students at Sacred Heart, Emmaus & Cana schools.

**Funerals** - for Connie Stellini, on Tues 5 May @ 11am at Sacred Heart Church.

## We Remember in our Prayers

**Recent Death** - Connie Stellini; Frank Kolak;

### Anniversaries / Remembrances for Sacred Heart -

Michael & Josephine Piacentini; Joe Xuereb; Tassie Farrugia; Neil Snooks, Theresa & Bill Saliba; Andrew, Doris, Joseph & Vincent Mifsud; Joelle Meyepa – Tauner family, Charlie Baparm – Osee Family; Anton Said, Carlu Mizzi; Daphne Jessup; Ester Malanxaon, Vladimir Eliseeff; Josette Gauci; Olympia Desira, Anthony Desira, John Desira, Alfred Mizzi, Usula & John Gambin, Angela & John Desira, Robert & Jessie Mizzi; Tony & Vera Busuttill; Frank & Bernadette Siracusa; Paul Aquilina & Bonello Family; Josset Vella, Charlie Camilleri & Emma Borg; Paul & Maria D'Rozario; Benjamin & Anastasia Gomez; Damien & Carmen Cauchi; Daniella Zahra, Rita & Joseph Muscat; Emma Borg, Josset Vella, Charlie Camilleri; Teodoro Raco; Anastasia Gomes; Ivan Cavka; Cavka & Samarozic families; Frances, Joseph, Netu Micallef; Emanuel & Sapienza Fenech, Joseph & Maria Orsini, Cecilia & Frank Cordina;

### Anniversaries / Remembrances for Emmaus -

Aaron D'Souza; Arthur, Rita, Gary, Carl, Keith, Duddley & Marina Moss; Irene D'Souza; Peter & Clara Parnis; Vilma Aruliah; Kevin Camilleri; Pjeter, Lize, Collin Dajcat; Joseph & Maria Camilleri; Rosemary Davis;

## Readings

**This Week:** First Reading: [Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7](#)

Second Reading: [1 Peter 2:4-9](#)

Gospel: [John 14:1-12](#)

**Next Week:** First Reading: [Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17](#)

Second Reading: [1 Peter 3:15-18](#)

Gospel: [John 14:15-21](#)