



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'

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - 16th August

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Weekday Mass Times: Sacred Heart

Tuesday - Friday: 7:30am

Saturday: 9:00am

Weekend Mass Times: Sacred Heart

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am

9:00am (Polish)

10:30am

2nd Sun of month: 5:00pm (Slovene)

Weekend Mass Times: Emmaus Church

Saturday (Vigil): 6:30pm

Sunday: 9:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sacred Heart

Saturday: 9:30am

4th Sat of month: 4:00pm (Maltese)



Saint Mary of the Assumption Feast - Sat 15 Aug

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated every year on 15 August. It honors the belief that the mother of Jesus was taken body and soul into heaven at the end of her life. It's a Holy Day of Obligation. We will celebrate this special day at the normal Saturday mass time, 9am at Sacred Heart Church.



Archbishop's Campaign Collection this Weekend - 15 to 16 Aug

The Archbishops campaign is underway, and we ask everyone to consider a pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. Tax deductible donations go to the Archbishops Charitable Fund which supports the Priests Retirement Foundation, the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, CatholicCare Victoria Chaplaincy Program, Melbourne Overseas Mission, John Pierce Centre, University of Divinity for the Catholic Theological College as well as Catholic Community agencies and service organisations through annual grants.

Non Tax deductible donations go to the Catholic Archdiocese Of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund and support seminarian formation. Envelopes are available for a one off gift or an ongoing pledge.

You can also donate anonymously via cash directly into the special collection basket. You can also make a gift online at melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign or via the QR code.

Online donations are the most secure and preferred method of donating.

Please review the campaign pamphlet and prayerfully consider making a gift.

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, contact 0413 841 936 or stalbans.csc@cam.org.au

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Have courage and patience and God will help you in all things -
Mary MacKillop 15 August 1899



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Altar Server Training & Get Together - Sat 15 Aug
Training will be held on Saturday 15 August, 11am at Sacred Heart Church. This is a chance for existing servers to revise, meet other servers including new ones over lunch. Those who are new, please register your details by phone or email.

Join the Youth Leaders Team - 18 Aug

Those over 18 years old are invited to be part of the Parish Youth Ministry (PYM) team. Parents are also invited to join. Together they will create opportunities for those aged 16 to 26 years to grow in faith, form friendship connections with others across the Parish, and allow the young to contribute to Parish life. If you are interested, please contact the Parish office by phone or email. Our first meeting on 18 August.

Vietnamese Mass

From Sunday, 23 August, our Parish will begin celebrating Mass in Vietnamese as a regular part of Parish life. The additional Mass will be celebrated on every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 12pm in Sacred Heart Church. This is an exciting new initiative for our Parish as we embrace and celebrate the rich faith and culture of the Vietnamese Catholic community. It also reflects our commitment to being a welcoming and inclusive Parish where everyone feels at home. We hope this Mass will provide a welcoming place where Vietnamese parishioners from across the area can deepen their faith, strengthen their connection with one another and become more fully involve in the life and mission of

our Parish. Please keep this new initiative in your prayers as we look forward with hope and gratitude to the many blessings it will bring to our parish.

Safeguarding training

Many Thanks to the 65 People who were at the Safeguarding Training night on Wednesday 5 August. We were all enthused with the great presentation from Hailey Elkington from the Safeguarding Unit. Our safeguarding efforts were greatly strengthened with our learnings. If you still need to complete the training, please do so online: <https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-training-and-upcoming-events/safeguarding-training-modules/> Kindly email online certificates to: stalbins@cam.org.au

Melbourne Synod 2026 is underway

A synod is a gathering of God's people – bishops, priests and representatives – who come and discern together about matters regarding faith, governance, and pastoral care. This process involves prayer, dialogue, and consultation, aiming to foster a deeper understanding of the Church's mission in the contemporary world. The purpose of this synod is to help shape our evangelical and missionary priorities for the years ahead. The three key themes for the Synod: Young Discipleship; Missionary Leadership; Formation and Participation. You are invited to make a submission. Gather your fellow parishioners, family, friends or colleagues for a spiritual conversation to reflect on the themes for the synod. Visit: <https://melbournecatholic.org/synod2026> where you can download the papers. Scan the QR code at the end of each paper to submit your reflections. Submissions will be accepted until 21 August 2026.

Liturgy Rosters

16th Aug 2026		
Sacred Heart 5:00pm Mass	Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Budi	Sianto
Prayers of the faithful	Sandra	Galea
Communion - 1	Claire	Tanner
Communion - 2	John	Tonna
Communion - 3	Stella	Tonna
Sacred Heart 7:30am Mass	Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Rosemarie	Slater
Prayers of the faithful	Sandra	Tanner
Communion - 1	Veronica	Excompare
Communion - 2	Richard	Micallef
Communion - 3	Carmela	Castillo
Sacred Heart 10:30am Mass	Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Vinie	Weir
Prayers of the faithful	Kristine	Dionsio
Communion - 1	Josephine	Borg
Communion - 2	Maria	Mizzi
Communion - 3	Leanne	Turcic
Emmaus 6:30pm Mass	Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Bob	Mears
Prayers of the faithful	Sabrina	Gonsalves
Communion - 1	Jan	Szostak
Communion - 2	Fabian	Cesar
Communion - 3	Jocelyn (Josh)	Pinheiro
Emmaus 9:00am Mass	Name	Surname
Reader of the Word	Anna	Due
Prayers of the faithful	Maree	Connell
Communion - 1	Mary	Caruana
Communion - 2	Anna	Due
Communion - 3	Veena	Moraes

Sacraments

Baptisms - This weekend at Emmaus Church

Funerals - for Frank Joniec on Wed 26 Aug at 11am at Sacred Church

We Remember in our Prayers

Recent Death - Brittany Smith-Forte; Frank Joniec

Anniversaries / Remembrances for Sacred Heart -

Michael & Josephine Piacentini; Joe Xuereb; Emmanuel & Frank Grech; Rozario & Lily Gonsalves; Clinton Nicholls, Joelle Meyepa; George Muscat, Louis & Nancy Muscat, Frank & Josephine Caruana, Emanuel & Diana Caruana, Emanuel & Julie Sammut, Kerry Dobson, Helen Attard, Mary Borg, Carmen Vella, John & Carmen Camilleri; Frank & Bernadette Siracusa; Paul Aquilina & Bonello Family; Fr Joshua, Grace & Peter Muscat, Peter Muscat; Josset Vella, Charlie Camilleri & Emma Borg; Joe Cutajar, Jessie & Johnie Ellul & Leli Bugeja; Fredi, Anglu Camilleri, Luretta, Gorgi Mary; Veronica & Catherin D'Rozario; Paul & Maria D'Rozario, Benjamin & Anastasia Gomes; Esther & Reynold Lewis, Isis & Stan Bate; Cherie Guest, William & Ellen Wilson; Epifanio Luna, Ernesta Luna; Teodoro Raco; Brittany Smith-Forte; Branko Brozinic & Family; Joseph Rodrigues; Giuseppe Del Casale; Derrick Thamel, Therese Peiris, Agnus Thamel, Maureen Fernando; Giuseppe & Domenico Greto; Thomas & Elizabeth Meyn, Gerry Moira & Trevor Smith

Anniversaries / Remembrances for Emmaus -

Aaron D'Souza; Arthur, Rita, Gary, Carl, Keith, Duddley & Marina Moss; Irene D'Souza; Peter & Clara Parnis; Vilma Aruliah; Rosemary Davis; Sri Nurwati Agustina & Soesdihardjo Agustinus;

Readings

This Week: First Reading: [Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6. 10](#)

Next Week: First Reading: [Isaiah 22:19-23](#)

Second Reading: [1 Corinthians 15:20-26](#) Gospel: [Luke 1:39-56](#)

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