

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish, Kew

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Office Hours:

Tuesday 10 am – 3 pm, Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 am – 2:30pm

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Mass Times Weekdays

9:15am Tues -Sat *N/A from 26 Aug to 13 Sept

Weekend

6:00pm Saturday Vigil 9:30am Sunday

Confessions

Saturday 9:00am & 9:45am & 5:45pm

Sunday 9:15am
*N/A from 24 Aug to 13 Sept

Eucharistic Adoration

Saturdays 9:45am
*N/A from 26 Aug to 13 Sept

Baptisms

Last Sunday of the month. Please contact our office.

Other Sacraments

Please contact the parish office or see our website https://shkew.org.au

1st Collection:

To maintain parish house & support Fr Michael Kong BSB: 083 347 Account #: 663 832 561

2nd Collection: For the running of and upkeep of the Church BSB: 083 347

Account #: 682 606 383



Make an online donation

Please Remember in Prayer

Unwell: James May, Bertha Effendi, Stephanie Purra, Michael Tymms, Albert Leung, Elizabeth Rossiter, Sam Siragusa and Rosa Cimino

Recently Deceased: Rocco Dimasi, Amelia Bolge and Peter Bolge

Anniversaries: Manya Rodriguez, Gioacchino Siraqgusa, Donato Casauria, Rocco Casauria, Maria Casauria, Francis Xavier Duffy and Bosco Correa

Mass Intentions: If you would like to offer Mass for anyone, please let us know in advance.

Upcoming Feasts & Solemnities: 8th (Wed) The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

13th (Sat) St John Chrysostom

Announcements

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to assist with our various parish group, especially for our **Gardening Group**.

The Gardening Group of our parish keep both the front and backyard looking beautiful and tidy. They meet about every quarter and take care of different parts of the presbytery. We also usually conduct an annual working bee where everyone if welcome to come and join!

Please contact the parish office if you are interested.

Please note that all volunteers are required to get a Police Check and a Working With Children Check in order to participate. Thanks for your understanding.

"There are currently only four of us who volunteer in the gardening group. We enjoy helping out whereby, it can make the parish presentable. It's a pleasure to also meet different parishioners and be able we to converse with them and get to know them a little better." -Ingrid Mann

The Archbishop's Campaign 2025

The 2025 Archbishop's Campaign is now underway, and we ask everyone to consider a pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. These ministries are outlined in the campaign brochure which you will find in your pew and in the foyer today.

Tax-deductible donations go to the Archbishop's Charitable Fund which supports the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, the Priests Retirement Foundation, John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission, the University of Divinity Building Fund 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 and evangelisation ministries. Please review the campaign material and prayerfully consider pledging a recurring monthly gift. Tear-off pledge cards are attached to the campaign envelopes in the church. You can also make a gift online at melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign or via the QR codes on the campaign materials.

Fr Michael will be away from 24 Aug to 12 Sept.

There will be <u>no weekday Mass, Saturday Morning Mass, confession nor exposition</u>.

The church will be open in the morning for private prayer and will offer Communion Service instead.

Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday Morning Mass will continue during this time.

For the 21st Sunday in Ordinary time, the contributions amounted to \$1,721.12 while our weekly running costs amount to \$4,000. Please help us to move towards reaching that target so that we can maintain this beautiful church and keep our parish up and running.

Donations: \$1,721.12/\$4,000

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First Reading

Wisdom 9: 13-18

What man can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth,

laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 89:3-6, 12-14, 7

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back in to dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. **R.**

You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. **R**.

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

Second Reading

Philemon

9-10,12-17

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him - I could say - a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 14: 25-33

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes, and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

Sacred Heart Parish Prayer

Lord, may we the parishioners of Sacred Heart strive to be people of the Gospel and prayer.

Imprint in our hearts a deep desire for your Word and a love of the Eucharist.

Motivate us to be an engaging, welcoming, and supportive community.

Help us to be a people of compassion and justice for all.