

Mass Times Saturday 6pm Sunday 10am

ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER

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LENT WEEK 2 YEAR B

24 & 25 February 2024

Full readings can be viewed each week on our website or visit: www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au/second-sunday-lentyear-b-18-february-2024/

> First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2. 9-13. 15-18. God puts Abraham to the test.

Responsorial Psalm: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

Second Reading: Romans 8:31-34.

God, sacrificing even his Son for us, will grant us victory.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10.

Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John.

Lent Reflections

To assist with Lent reflections, the Pastoral Council strongly encourages parishioners to listen to an excellent series of talks offered by members of YTU Faculty, available at VIRTUAL LENT SERIES | Yarra Theological Union (ytu.edu.au)





On behalf of the eight young men who have entered the seminary of Melbourne, the Vocations Office of our Archdiocese asks our prayers for them as they embark on their journey towards priesthood. We pray for Chinh Tran, Rohan Prince, Luke Kennedy, Luke Emslie, Tung Phan, Joseph Maae, Patrick Harris and Mathews

Noble. May Christ Our Lord instil in them discernment for their vocation and continue to increase their joy for the Word of God.



As part of the Parkville Conference and St Vincent de Paul Mobile Mission in Fitzroy which is linked to the Parkville Conference, Anna Harley has asked to advertise their current need for volunteers. If you are interested or wish to find out more, please contact Anna on 0431 465 463



Second Sunday of Lent, 24 & 25 February

After the birth of her children, 22-year-old Ronita was at risk of having to leave school permanently. But, with the support of Caritas she resumed her studies and a job at a call centre to support her family. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges and build a better tomorrow. You can donate through

Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available in Church foyer.



RENEWAL PROGRAM

We are pleased and grateful as we start 2024 that parishioners are still supporting the parish with our renewal program. *Supporting St Carthage's could be part of your Lenten commitment!*

Whether you are new to the parish or well established, please consider how you can support the parish financially. There are four ways to support St Carthage's:

- 1. **The Presbytery Account:** Support Fr Joe in his mission and other parish priests through the plate collection at mass. 25% of the tap & go machine is allocated to this account with the balance to the Church Account. Our new machines expected during the year will enable more flexibility in how much and which account you can donate to.
- 2. **The Church Account:** This is the day to day running of the church and presbytery and includes our administration assist Leanne, insurance, fees etc.
- 3. **The Maintenance Sinking Fund:** This fund will enable the parish to respond to major maintenance issues such as major roof repairs.
- Church Development Fund: This fund is to upgrade or modify the church where needed. Ideas include audio visual screen to assist in the mass services.

Regular Contributions expressed as annual amounts and includes \$5,750 of one off donations:

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Fortnight Upda	ate	Year to Date	Weeks to Go	Target	Shortfall	Target
		\$		\$	\$	
\$ 3,	.000	19,130	18	20,000	870	95.7%

Maintenance Sinking Fund

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Fortnight Update	Year to Date	Weeks to Go	Target	Shortfall	Target
	\$		\$	\$	
\$ -	6,630	18	20,000	13,370	33.2%

Church Development Fund

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Fortnight Update	Year to Date	Weeks to Go	Target	Shortfall	Target
	\$		\$	\$	
\$ -	7,120	18	10,000	2,880	71.2%

Please contact Leanne at Parkville@cam.org.au if you can assist St Carthage's or would like to know more about how St Carthage's uses your donations.



Transports of Delight

Australian Chamber Choir
Directed by Douglas Lawrence
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Sunday
3 March at 3pm

As the ACC prepares for their eighth European concert tour, this program takes you on a virtual tour of cities where the singers have performed: Visit Henry Purcell in London, Anton Bruckner in Vienna, Allegri and Palestrina in Rome, César Franck and Olivier Messiaen in Paris, Beethoven in Bonn, Felix and Fanny Mendelssohn in Berlin, Brenton Broadstock in Melbourne and JS Bach in Leipzig.

St Carthages parishioners get a 10% discount off Regular ticket prices when booking online with the discount code CARTHAGES. Book at www.auschoir.org



St Patrick's Cathedral is hosting this exhibition, featuring 24 portraits of extraordinary women of faith by Cologne-based artist Barbara Skorupa. To find out more please visit CAM website or click HERE

<u>INVITING READERS FOR 2024 HOLY WEEK</u>

An invitation is extended for Holy Week readers. There are over 20 reading parts, so please do consider assisting. A summary of Holy Week and readings can be found on St Carthage's website under the post titled "Holy Week Readings" or access HERE. If interested, please email Mary at mary.udovicic@gmail.com with the mass and reading/speaking part you would like to read. Feel free to select more than one reading/speaking part.

Please send your preference by Monday 25 March.



St Carthage's University Parish is committed to the safety and well-being of all vulnerable people. Just a friendly reminder to observe the signs on Church grounds; all Children must always be accompanied by an adult. We respectfully acknowledge that we are on the traditional_territory of the Wurundjeri People. We offer our gratitude to the First Nations for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and our relations. May we honour those teachings. Please visit Website for news and events:

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