



## General

### Mass Times

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 10am

# ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER

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## Exaltation of the Holy Cross

13/14 September 2025

For all readings click [HERE](#) or visit [www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au/the-exaltation-of-the-cross-14th-sept-2025/](http://www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au/the-exaltation-of-the-cross-14th-sept-2025/)

Welcome and Thanks to Father Christopher Maher for supplying Mass this Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September.



**First Reading:** [Numbers 21:4-9](#). The Israelites are delivered from the fiery serpents.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Do not forget the works of the Lord!*

**Second Reading:** [Philippians 2:6-11](#). Paul acknowledges Jesus as Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia! We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you, because by your cross you have redeemed the world. Alleluia!*

**Gospel:** [John 3:13-17](#). The Son of Man must be lifted up to gain eternal life.

### FDWG News

St Carthage's is a parish which values welcoming, inclusion, inspiring liturgy, social justice and Gospel values. How can I help sustain and grow this community? The Future Directions Group has been working busily on the parish survey findings, including ideas from the recent parish Forum. Practical actions on welcoming, communication and liturgy have been identified. You will shortly receive an emailed invitation to join in by volunteering for one or more specific tasks.

They will be listed and clearly explained. If you are less active, there will still be opportunities for you, and all tasks will be well supported. If you are new here, please be sure you have notified your email address to Leanne at the presbytery office ([parkville@cam.org.au](mailto:parkville@cam.org.au)), so you will receive all communications.



### SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025.

Creating a safe, hope-filled and welcoming Church. "The Church must not only be a safe place for children and young people but a place of welcome. **"Every member of the**

**Church has a responsibility for safeguarding."** (Bishop Greg Bennet). Please visit

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/creating-a-safe-hope-filled-and-welcoming-church> for further information.

Personal items of safeguarding that active parishioners are required to have:

- Certificate in [Safeguarding training for volunteer, clergy and staff](#)
  - A current [Working with Children Check | vic.gov.au](http://vic.gov.au)
- A current [Criminal History Record Check \(Police Record Check\)](#) (Parish Committee members, Counters & Catechists).
  - Read then sign the Code of Conduct: <https://camorgau.Safeguarding/ProceduresCodeConduct>



National Child Protection Week 7-13 September, 2025 *Every conversation matters: Shifting Conversation to Action* <https://www.napcan.org.au/ncpw/>

- **Mental Health Month:** 1 October to 31 October
- **Children's Week** - 18 October to 26 October
- **National Survivors Day** - 12 November

The St Vincent de Paul Society will celebrate three significant Feast Days in September that reflect the Society's enduring commitment to faith in action and compassion for those in need.



- **Saint Vincent de Paul** on 27 September, and, for the first time,
- **Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati** who will be canonised a saint on this Sunday 7 September by Pope Leo XIV in Rome. For more information see <https://www.vinnies.org.au/national-council/news-and-stories/media-releases/society-to-mark-three-significant-feast-days-in-september>



## Baroque Christmas 2025



A fixture on the Christmas calendar, this ever-changing program, now in its seventh incarnation, is testament to the fact that throughout history, composers have produced some of their liveliest and most engaging work for the Christmas season. **Renaissance Requiem MORNINGTON Sat 8 November at 2:30PM TERANG Sat 29 Nov at 3PM | MACEDON Sat 6 December at 3PM | MIDDLE PARK (MELBOURNE) Sunday 7 December at 3PM and on AUSTRALIAN DIGITAL CONCERT HALL | DUNKELD Sat 13 Dec, 3PM**  
Email: [Admin@auschoir.org](mailto:Admin@auschoir.org)

### Bulletin Notice – ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION ON THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate. Online Diaconate information meeting: Tuesday, 23 September 2025 beginning 19:00 – 20:00 Location: via ZOOM.

Attendance will be by invitation. Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattison [Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au](mailto:Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au)  
In the week before the session the ZOOM link will be sent to those who have expressed interest.



**Supporting St Carthage's:** complementing the traditional collection baskets we also have a tap & go machine for donations. The terminal is located in the church foyer. It's easy to do.  
Alternatively, click on scan code and follow the prompts.  
Your ongoing support to sustain St Carthage's parish is recognised and very much appreciated.



**From your Pastoral Council:** If you are interested in helping out our volunteers with just a little time or expertise to the parish in any number of areas (preparing the church for services; reading; hospitality; pastoral outreach; music; IT/media; maintenance and upkeep; post-communion reflection, sacramental preparation, etc), please contact the parish office: [parkville@cam.org.au](mailto:parkville@cam.org.au), or the Pastoral Council chair: [ConstantMews54@gmail.com](mailto:ConstantMews54@gmail.com). This can be a wonderful way to get to know others or meet new people.

**Are you a new parishioner or just visiting St Carthage's?** If so, please forward your email address to Leanne at [parkville@cam.org.au](mailto:parkville@cam.org.au), so we can stay in touch and provide you our newsletter and special notices via email. New parishioners are always welcome at St Carthage's.



Please join our Parish Facebook Page. It is a private group so your posts and comments are only visible to approved group members. It is not open to the public and your privacy is protected. INSERT LIVE LINK TO PAGE: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/230978134292907/?ref=share&mibextid=KtfwRi>

Search for St Carthage's Parkville on Facebook.com and get posting

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**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 [Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation](http://WurundjeriWoiWurrungCulturalHeritageAboriginalCorporation).**

**For a full overview please visit our website or [HERE](http://HERE).**

Please visit St Carthage's Website for news and events: [www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au](http://www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au)