

General Mass Times Saturday 6pm Sunday 10am

ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER

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1/2 November 2025

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Full readings HERE or visit www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au/the-commemoration-of-all-the-faithful-departed-all-souls-day-2nd-nov/

This weekend we welcome Fr Kevin McIntosh and thank him for his service for Sunday 10am Mass.



First Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9: The destiny of those who are faithful.

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading: Romans 5:5-11:

Christ's dying for us is proof of God's love for us.

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>: Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30. Christ will refresh the weary.

Following All Saints Day, 1st November, we celebrate All souls Day on the 2nd.

Our Remembrance book is now displayed beside the baptismal font. Please feel free to enter the names of your loved ones.

Mass will be offered in their names.

Parish News

Finance Council: After six years service, Michael Pirotta is stepping down from the parish Finance Council (FC). We are enormously grateful for his service. In consequence, a vacancy has arisen on the FC, whose task is to manage practical matters relating to finance and maintenance of the parish. A background in finance, law or risk management is desirable, but not necessary. The parish contracts its accounting to an independent accountant. The FC generally meets on a quarterly basis. Members of the FC serve three-year terms, renewable if willing. For further enquiries and expressions of interest, contact the Parkville Parish Office Parkville@cam.org.au and Michael will contact you directly.

Parish Choir: The St Carthage's music group, which assists the liturgy for the 10am mass, invites parishioners willing to join in singing **f** with the group, to contact Helen Scorgie (helenmscorgie@gmail.com). Also, Helen would love to hear from anyone with keyboard skills available to accompany the singing perhaps once a month or by arrangement. The group practices in the church on Sunday mornings at 9.30am. It will be singing on Christmas Eve for a 30-minute Carol service prior to the

St Carthage's Working Bee

Parishioners and friends are warmly invited to a Working Bee on Friday, 28 November, from 11:00am—1:00pm, followed by an informal "bring a plate" lunch. This is a wonderful opportunity for those involved in Mercy Nights, as well as the wider parish community, to work together in freshening up both the interior and exterior of our church.

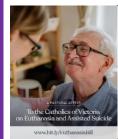
Mercy Nights – Returning in 2026: We

extend our thanks to all who participated in Mercy Nights at St Carthage's this year. Mercy Nights are now concluded for 2025 and will resume with the beginning of the new academic year in early 2026. We look forward to welcoming you back for evenings of quiet prayer, meditation, and Benediction when they return.

Volunteers Needed: If you are able to assist with the 10am mass by occasionally providing the welcoming introduction at the beginning of the mass, and you either hold a Working With Children Check or are willing to apply for one, please contact the office.



There remains a fair few sturdy, timber Church chairs up for grabs. Please contact the office if you - or anyone you might know – would be interested.



TO THE CATHOLICS OF VICTORIA ON EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE

In response to the Government's Bill to further weaken protections for vulnerable patients, Victorian Bishops have written a Letter to all Victorian Catholics to contact their local Members of Parliament to urge them to vote against the proposed laws. *Full Post can be seen*HERE. *Read the Bishops pastoral letter on euthanasia and assisted suicide*(Copies are also available in the foyer)

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, or the Pastoral Council chair: ConstantMews54@gmail.com. This can be a wonderful way to get to know others or meet new people.

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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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Below are the personal items of safeguarding that active parishioners (even irregular helpers) are required to have:

- Certificate in Safeguarding training for volunteer, clergy and staff
 - A current Working with Children Check | 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



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 <u>Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation</u>.

For a full overview please visit our website or click HERE.

Please visit St Carthage's Website for news and events: www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au