



General
Mass Times
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 10am

ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER

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24th Sunday Ordinary Time A

12/13 Sept 2026

Access readings [HERE](#) or visit www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au/24th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-a/



First Reading: [Sirach 27:30 – 28:7](#). Hate and anger lead to death; love and forgiveness to the kingdom.

Responsorial Psalm: *The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.*

Second Reading: [Romans 14:7-9](#). Christ is Lord of the living and the dead.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!*

Gospel: [Matthew 18:21-35](#). Parable of the official who, receiving mercy, does not show it to others.



A BIG CONGRATULATIONS and Very HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY this week to
Brother Trevor Gibbons

Choir member and occasional organist at St Carthage's. Wishing you every blessing.

Safeguarding Sunday— Sept 13th—‘LOVE PROTECTS’

This year the theme is Love Protects and the readings show us that real love is not passive goodwill. Rather it actively shields the vulnerable, tells the truth, and never lets silence stand in for safety. Safeguarding is an essential part of our mission and ministry, calling each of us to be attentive, accountable and committed to ensuring that every person can participate in the life of the Church safely and with confidence. We extend our gratitude to Claire Renkin, our safeguarding co-ordinator, and all volunteers involved in this process



SEASON OF CREATION

Season of creation is a month event. It is recognised at the beginning of Spring, from September 1 - October 4. During this period, the Church invites all the faithful to reflect on the 2026 symbol: **Immersion in Living Water, (Ezekiel 47: 9, 12) and unite in prayer; “to listen,**

reflect and act in hope.” (Bishop Tim Harris). More info can be found of the following sites:

<https://www.caritas.org.au/soc-gathering> and <https://seasonofcreation.org/> and melbournecatholic.org/news/a-season-of-wonder



Pastoral Visitation: The parish is wanting to develop pastoral visiting with the parish, within the limits of what we are able to provide. If you are willing to help with this, or wish to benefit yourself from such a service, please contact Claire Renkin <claire.ren@optusnet.com.au>.



PARISH READING GROUP

St Carthage's Reading Group will meet this Tuesday 15th of September. We will be discussing *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans. For more info - mjrob2@hotmail.com

Mary Glowrey Museum and MacKillop Heritage Centre visit. 20 Brunswick St Fitzroy (\$10 entry). We are organising a visit to these two centres. The proposed date: **Thursday 24th September at 10 am** - a 10-minute walk to MacKillop Heritage Centre 362 Albert St East Melbourne (\$7 entry).
If interested in attending send Robert at Text 0432511699



SIMPLICITY SEPTEMBER: DISCOVER WHAT MATTERS. Palms International Volunteers are launching their new incentive this September whereby participants are asked, for a time, to simplify some aspect of their busy lives and find a sense of solidarity with those less fortunate, but who have the wisdom of living sustainably. Click here to discover more about this new incentive: [Simply September](https://youtu.be/Z0o_Mzdlh9k). A video to spark imagination toward a simple gesture in your daily life: https://youtu.be/Z0o_Mzdlh9k



SAVE THE DATE – SERVICE OF LAMENT. You are invited to save the date for the Service of Lament for Survivors of Abuse in the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne: **Tuesday 15 Sept 2026, commencing at 4pm** on the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral. Please see letter from Archbishop Comensoli on the event: [HERE](#)



SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB: The Healing Journey: from fear and uncertainty to safety and hope. **The Good Samaritan Inn Story**, with JEMMA MEAD & PATRICIA BERGIN. Wed 23rd Sept 6.00 – 9.00pm Venue: Hampton RSL 25 Holyrood Street, Hampton. Full flyer [HERE](#)



LITURGY UNDER THE SOUTHERN CROSS The Australian Academy of Liturgy will hold its National Conference, *Liturgy Under the Southern Cross*, from 28–30 September 2026 at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney. An opportunity to reflect on worship in Australia. Full flyer [HERE](#). Booking: QR Code



The Finance Committee invites parishioners who have not yet committed to Planned Giving, or who have the capacity to raise their contribution, to consider doing so, to assist the Parish meet its obligations and ongoing maintenance. You can arrange for Donations through a **bank/CC Direct Debit**:
BSB: 083 347 ACC: 48017 6362 - CC donations, this link [Credit Card donation](#), or scan the QR code



News from the Pastoral Council

Columbarium: (a peaceful, reflective place of interment of cremated ashes within St Carthage's grounds): plans and costed proposals are being drawn up by architect Robert Simeoni - details will be announced shortly. If you are interested in being kept informed, please contact Parkville@cam.org.au

Defibrillator: A defibrillator has been installed at the back of the Church. If you want to learn about how it should be used, or you have nursing/medical skills that might be helpful within the parish, contact Brigid Walker blwalker7@gmail.com.

Newsletter: If you do not receive this newsletter by email and would like to, please send a message to parkville@cam.org.au, or place your email in the box located in the church foyer.

Please Note: Ongoing parish bulletin items can be found on a separate print out, located in the church foyer.



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](#). 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