



**General**  
**Mass Times**  
Saturday 6pm  
Sunday 10am

## ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER

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## 28th Sunday Ordinary Time A 10/11 October 2026

Access readings [HERE](#) or visit [www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au/28th-sunday-ordinary-time-year-a/](http://www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au/28th-sunday-ordinary-time-year-a/)



**First Reading:** [Isaiah 25:6-10](#).

On this mountain the Lord will provide a feast.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *I shall live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life.*

**Second Reading:** [Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20](#).

With God, Paul has strength for everything.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!*

**Gospel:** [Matthew 22:1-14](#). Parable of the Wedding Banquet.



Thank you to **John Drennan** for presenting the annual dedication last week, to animal rescue, tying in with the feast of St Francis of Assisi. This year was no ordinary feast, but an **800<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of St Francis, 1226-2026. John keeps the parish aware and informed with his talks on the subject. John is a member of Catholic Concern for Animals (CCA) which began in the UK in 1929, and established in Australia in 1971 with John appointed Chairman of Australia's



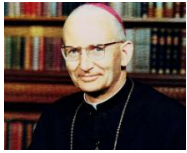
Independent branch. John continues his Chairing to this day with the onset of his official retirement. This **55-year achievement** can be celebrated alongside his own exciting **92<sup>nd</sup> Birthday** this week. Congratulations! (A brief summary of John's talk last week can be found [HERE](#)).

Speaking of Birthday Bonanzas, it's celebrations all 'round with **Sr Joan Healy turning 91**. Happy Birthday! On behalf of all the parish, blessings and joy to you both on your milestone occasion.



**Short notice announcement.** Michael Noble, a regular at both St Carthage's and St Mary's (Anglican), North Melbourne, invites parishioners to: **Why Christians Should Care for Creation**. Tony Rinaudo, an agriculturist and missionary, involved in reforestation in Africa and now Principal Climate Action Advisor for World Vision Australia, will speak at a Forum at Saint Mary's, Anglican Church, 428 Queensberry St, North Melbourne **this Sunday 11 Oct. 11.45am**. All welcome.

St Carthage's Reading Group will be meeting at the presbytery Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October to discuss '**Three reasons for Revenge**' by Dervla McTiernan. For more information please email [mjrob2@hotmail.com](mailto:mjrob2@hotmail.com)



Knox Public Lecture 2026: 'Synodality: Global and Local' with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan DD. **Thursday 22 October 2026, 7.00pm–8.00pm.** Most Reverend Patrick O'Regan DD, Archbishop of Adelaide, presenting on the topic 'Synodality: global and local'. Archbishop O'Regan serves on the Australian Catholic Bishops

Conference amongst numerous other Liturgical Commissions. More info [HERE](#)



We invite interested member of your parish to our **online information session** on Monday 26 October at 7pm (AEDT). Course advise/study options/ wide range of courses and units/ **online options** Interested participants may register via [Google Forms](#). **Registration essential.**



**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



We warmly invite you to Excelsis' major performance for 2026, Beyond Botany Bay. **7.30pm, Friday 30 October 2026, Elisabeth Murdoch Hall, Melbourne Recital Centre.** **General Admission \$40 | Concession \$35.** Excelsis for a concert celebrating contemporary Australian choral composers and their music. Full Flyer details [HERE](#).



### ***Celebrating Seniority!***

### **Develop sustained self-reliant futures in overseas communities!**

Join Palms International Volunteering for a special session where you'll learn about our diverse assignments suited to your qualifications and time of life. Meet past volunteers Wendy and Mick who will share their adventures of PNG and Timor Leste. Scan below to register or see [palms.org.au/events](https://palms.org.au/events). Date: Monday 19 October 2026. Time: 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm AED



**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](mailto:Parkville@cam.org.au)

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

**Pastoral Visitation:** If you are willing to help with pastoral visitation, or wish to benefit yourself from such a service, please contact Claire Renkin [claire.ren@optusnet.com.au](mailto:claire.ren@optusnet.com.au)

**Please Note:** Ongoing parish bulletin items, now updated, can be found on a separate print out located in the church foyer. Please help yourself to a copy.



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](http://www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au)