

**Parish Office Hours:**  
Mon—Fri 9:30am-2:30pm

## CONTACT DETAILS

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### Deacon:

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### Parish Secretaries:

Red Lusterio  
Tita Manalo

### Thanksgiving:

Maria Saldana

### Parish Bookkeeper:

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### Sacramental Co-Ord

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### Thomas Carr College:

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### Weekday Masses:

Tues—Sat 9:00am

### 1st Friday Monthly:

Mass at 7:30pm  
Adoration at 8:00-9:00pm

### Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday: 9:30am-10:00am  
5:00-5:30pm

### Sacrament of Baptism:

Contact Dcn Royden Dsouza  
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### Weddings:

By appointment only  
9401 6367



# ST JAMES PARISH BULLETIN

336 Derrimut Rd, Hoppers Crossing North, 3029  
Under the Pastoral Care of the Paulist Missionaries  
www.stjamesapostlehcn.com.au

We acknowledge the living culture of the Wurundjeri people, the traditional custodians of the land we stand on, and pay tribute to the unique role they play in the life of this region.

St James Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

## Feast Day of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop 08 August 2021

### ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP



Today we celebrate the Feast Day of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Our first Canonised Saint, Mary is a source of inspiration for all, transcending all age groups and faiths. Mary MacKillop's Canonisation is a milestone in our Australian history, a unique occasion and one of celebration for the Church globally.

### ST JAMES PARISH AND A COVID UPDATE—UPDATED 07/08 AUG

During Lockdown, there are no Masses at St James.

**Following Mass from Your Home:** You can follow our Masses on the Parish Facebook and YouTube channels. Weekday Masses will continue to be live streamed at 9:00am and Sunday Mass at 6:00pm on Saturday.

**Next Update:** The state of the Lockdown and the restrictions that will be in place will next be updated during this week. We will update the Parish Website with information about attending Mass at St James for the weekend of 14/15 Aug, including restrictions on numbers and booking process, once the announcement about the Lockdown have been made. Please check the Parish Website at 7pm on the night of when the announcement is made.

### NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

Today is the feast of St Mary of the Cross McKillop, our first Australian saint. Please pray for our priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in our community. Please pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that the saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from our community.

### CATHOLICCARE APPEAL THIS WEEKEND

This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. CatholicCare Victoria delivers counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, support for separating families, homelessness support and pastoral care. CatholicCare Victoria works with individuals, families and communities, to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential.

Please donate to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help the vulnerable and marginalised in our community and empower everyone to reach their full potential.

With the current Lockdown in place, you can donate online at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au) or call (03) 9287 5513.

**Weekend Mass: Sat 6pm, Sun 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 5pm + Online**

## SUPPORTING ST JAMES PARISH



We encourage you to continue supporting our parish through online payment. Thanksgiving contributions or Church Extension donations can be made directly to the Parish Bank Account through an Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT).

**Account Name: St James the Apostle Parish**  
**BSB: 083-347      Account Number: 646 205 822**

For Thanksgiving please use your Thanksgiving Envelope number and your surname so we can attribute your donation correctly. Eg: If your Thanksgiving number is 123, and your surname is Smith, then use the reference "123-Smith".

For Church Extension, please use as reference your surname and -ChExt. Eg: Smith-ChExt.

For Credit Card / Direct Debit contributions, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Thank you for your continuous support and may you be blessed abundantly for your generosity.

Yours in mission,

Fr Jude Pirotta mssp  
Parish Priest

Angel Hartanto  
Parish Bookkeeper

### CHURCH EXTENSION DONATIONS

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the Church Extensions. Thank you to Parishioners who together this week donated \$600 to the Church Extensions. Special thanks to the Samoan Choir who donated \$500.

### MASS INTENTIONS & 2ND COLLECTION

For those who would like to offer a Mass Intention during this time, you can submit the name and intention to the Parish Office via email ([hopperscrossingnorth@cam.org.au](mailto:hopperscrossingnorth@cam.org.au)) or via phone (9401 6367). In answer to a common query, Mass Intention donations can be made to:

Account Name: Missionary Society of St Paul  
BSB: 083-153  
Account number: 869470113  
Reference: M.Int-[Surname of intention]

For Presbytery Collection (2nd collection) contributions, please use the account above and use the Reference: Presby-[Your Surname]

### YR 7 2023 TCC ENROLMENTS

Year 7, 2023 Enrolments now open at Thomas Carr College. Applications available from the Fr Ray Administration Centre, calling 8734 2444 or email [registrar@thomascarr.vic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@thomascarr.vic.edu.au). Applications close Fri 20 Aug 2021.

### ALTAR SERVERS

The updated meeting date for all interested in joining this ministry is on Sat 04 Sept at 10:30am. This will be an Information/Training Session. Parents/Guardians are welcome to join us. All in Year 4 and above invited.

### CHURCH DONATION BOX

The new Church Donation Box has now been installed in the Shelves next to the Piety Stall in the Narthex of the church. Thank you to all those who contribute their loose change via this method prior to the renovations. You may use this new box in the same way.

You can also drop off Mass Intentions and Census Cards in this Box which is emptied daily.

### VINNIES WINTER APPEAL—NOW 14/15 AUG

Everyday at Vinnies, we see that ordinary people can make an extraordinary difference in their local communities. We are inspired by the joy of the Gospel and our Catholic social teachings to do the things that matter.

The new date for the Vinnies Winter Appeal will be on the weekend of 14/15 Aug. A collection will be taken up on the day or alternatively, you may deliver your donation in an envelope to the Parish Office if more convenient.

### CROSS PROMOTION

We are on a mission to promote our fundamental Christian Symbol – the Cross – through a variety of gifts for First Holy Communion and Confirmation, or for your home.

Please visit our Piety Stall after Mass, or our Pop-Up Stall at First Holy Communion and Confirmation Events.

Proceeds from CROSS PROMOTION sales will go towards our Church Extensions Fund.

### **PAULIST MISSIONARY SPONSORSHIP**

For \$5 per month, you can help with the wellbeing and education of children in Pakistan, Peru, Cuba and the Philippines through the Paulist Missionary Sponsorship program. Brochures available after Mass.

### **THANKSGIVING OFFERING CONTRIBUTION**

We would like to thank you all for your moral and financial support especially due to the large loan we have taken for our church renovation. We do appreciate the generous donations of parishioners who have asked how they may contribute. There are three methods – Envelopes, Credit Card Deductions or Direct Debit from a nominated bank account. Simply fill in a pledge card for envelopes and credit card, if you wish to do online payment method, Direct Debit Forms are available at the Church Narthex. You can drop this Form at the Parish Office during business hours: Mon–Fri 9:30am-2:30pm. Alternatively, you can drop it off at the After-Hours Drop Off Chute outside, next to the Parish Office Entrance under the window.

### **CHURCH CLEANING COORDINATOR**

The Parish is seeking someone who feels called to the service of Church Cleaning Coordinator. This role involves making sure that cleaning materials are available, rostering and communicating with our volunteer team in the Cleaning Ministry.

Anna, the previous Coordinator, is making herself available to train her replacement for a smooth change over. We value and appreciate all that Anna has done in this ministry and look forward to welcoming the new coordinator in her stead. We thank all those on the Church Cleaning Roster for their invaluable service in reassuring us of gathering for worship in a clean environment.

### **CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS-CANCELLED**

The current Lockdown is due to finish at 11:59pm on Thurs 12 Aug. Unfortunately, this means that the Lockdown will not be finished in time for the Charismatic Healing Mass scheduled for that night. Next Charismatic Healing Mass is scheduled for September 16th.

### **FEAST DAY OF THE ASSUMPTION**

This year the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, falls on Sunday 15 Aug. This Feast Day will be celebrated over next weekend instead of the regular Ordinary Time liturgies. No additional Feast Day Masses will be organised for this year.

### **FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE AND STALL**

Join us for a 'Father's Day Raffle and Stall' fundraising event with all proceeds going towards the church extensions.

#### **The Raffle:**

- Four great prizes each valued at around \$200.
- Tickets \$5 each available from Sat 07 Aug via <https://www.trybooking.com/BTLMG>
- Tickets will also be available from the Parish Office (9:30am–2:30pm, exact cash preferred).
- Prizes will be on display at the Church Narthex.
- Ticket sales close on Sun 29 Aug at 8:00pm. Raffle prize will be drawn on Tues 31 Aug.

#### **The Stall:**

Our Father's Day stall will be held on two consecutive weekends in the Church Narthex on 21/22 Aug and 28/29 Aug after all Masses.

We have a variety of gifts available for Fathers, Grandfathers and Father-figures of all ages. Come and buy a gift or just treat yourself to something special and support this fundraiser. Mums, we're counting on you too for this one! (Cash preferred).

### **HOPPERS CROSSING ALPHA**

An ALPHA pilot program is currently underway being run by the joint parishes of St James & St Peters. An ALPHA program available to all will be commencing in September 2021. Please keep the program in your prayers. Enquiries email: [hopperscrossingalpha@gmail.com](mailto:hopperscrossingalpha@gmail.com).

### **KEEPING OUR PRAYER LIST CURRENT**

To keep our Prayer List for the Sick current, kindly contact the Parish Office with the names of people you would like on it and they will be on the list for 8 weeks. Simply contact the Parish to renew for another 8 weeks.

### **PRAYER LIST**

Let us pray and support those in our community who are sick. We especially pray for Eddie Vassallo, Cecilia Fernando, April Atton, Joan Carvalho, John Francis Santos, Cecilia Mendonca and all those who are ill.

### **RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES**

Please pray for our loved ones whom we remember especially Esther Uwase and Jose Medalle who died recently, Theodora Litjens, Grace and Epifanio Faranda, Maria Di Pasquale, Brenda and Morgan Spiteri, Olimpia Anderson, Margaret Grima, Georga Refelo, John and Michael Spiteri, Francis Hili, Alfonso Puato, Pauline Vassallo, Yolanda Malinao, Trevor Micallef, Marie Ebelle, Emy Saffarese, Natu Portelli, Jeff Ruthvern, Ron Gamble and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

## NEW BISHOPS FOR MELBOURNE

We rejoice as an Archdiocese as we welcome two new Bishops following the episcopal ordinations of Bishops Martin Ashe and Anthony Ireland at St Patrick's Cathedral last Saturday.

We welcome Bishop Martin who has been assigned to the Western Region and look forward to his company among us.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH?

If so, you may be interested in the Engaging Your Faith series which are very affordable (just \$20 per session) and available online which means you can learn in the comfort of your own home!

Engaging Your Faith is a series of online short sessions offering an opportunity to explore your faith through a variety of topics including: "Meditation and Compassion", "The Bible as the Great War Story to End All War Stories", and "Can a Scientist Believe in God?" These various sessions run between 21 Aug—16 Sept.

All topics are presented by lecturers of Catholic Theological College. For more information, please see the attached flyer.

## YOUNG PAULISTS PRESENT: DISCERNING LIFE'S CHOICES

Join the Young Paulists and guest speaker Fr Brendan Byrne SJ for a talk and QandA on Discerning Life's Decisions using the Ignatian Discernment Process.

When: Wednesday 25th August 7pm – 9:15pm  
Where: Ray Centre at St James Parish  
Who: Everyone aged 18+

Please RSVP before Sun 22 Aug by emailing [hopperscrossingnorth.paulists@cam.org.au](mailto:hopperscrossingnorth.paulists@cam.org.au).

## PERMANENT DIACONATE

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

COME & SEE! Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on Sat 04 Sept, 10:00am-11.45am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne.

For further information contact Deacon Kevin Pattison: [Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au](mailto:Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au)

Watch: Melbourne's Deacons  
<https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTS0>

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate at [diaconate@cam.org.au](mailto:diaconate@cam.org.au) or (03) 9412 335.

## ST CLARE'S FEAST DAY—WED 11 AUG

St Clare's Primary writes to the greater Parish Community:

Our St Clare Feast Day celebrations are fast approaching. As a community we are looking forward to celebrating on Wed 11 Aug.

With the Lockdown Mass will be celebrated as a community with a link to a pre-recorded service available on the school website. A link will also be shared with the parish once the recording has been finalised.

## ACU PROJECT PROPOSAL DESIGN

Dear St James Parishioners,

Thank you for the warm welcome the project proposal has received. The link to access the survey can be found on the St James Facebook page as well as the St James website. Hard copies of the survey are also in the church narthex and can be submitted to the parish office. You can also enter the following into your web browser to access the survey:

<https://forms.gle/vF2zYNXf5yAG5jVHA>

We invite you to reflect on the strengths and capacities as well as the needs and concerns of our community. Please submit your answers by Sunday August 15 so we can collate your responses.

For questions and further enquiries please contact Diane Sia via email at [diane.sia@myacu.edu.au](mailto:diane.sia@myacu.edu.au). Thank you for your time and we look forward to your responses.

## CALLED TO BE A SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR?

Come to our Siloam Taster Session via ZOOM & in-person on Sat 14 August 2021, 9.30am-11am. The Siloam Program is an approved full-time or part-time program to form Spiritual Directors, which in 2022, will be available on both Zoom and in-person. It is suitable for those who wish to companion others in their spiritual journey, helping them to notice the movement of God in their hearts and in their lived experience. The program blends academic and practical work to foster a discerning, contemplative approach. Fee-Help is available to qualifying students. We invite local, interstate and overseas individuals to join us for our Taster Session. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 14 Stanhope St, Malvern VIC 3144. For more info, email [secretary@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:secretary@heartoflife.melbourne) or call (03) 9890 1101. Register via <https://www.trybooking.com/BSUNV> or visit our website [www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne).