

# YEAR of SAINT JOSEPH

*"Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life"*

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,  
and defend us from every evil.



DECEMBER 8, 2020 - DECEMBER 8, 2021  
[catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph](http://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph)

## PRAYER

O God,  
you reveal the signs of your presence  
among us in the church, in the liturgy  
and in our brothers and sisters.

Let no word of yours  
ever fall by the wayside  
or be rendered ineffective  
through our indifference or neglect.  
Rather, make us quick to recognise  
your saving plan  
whenever we encounter it,  
and keep as ready always  
to serve as prophets  
and apostles of your kingdom  
Amen.

## LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

All Saints Parish has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness.

By leaving a gift to your Parish in your Will, you will leave a legacy of faith – a legacy to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue both for today's needs and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.

If you would like to receive a weekly copy of "The Spire" by email, please send us an email and we can add you to a list of subscribers



14th February  
2021

6th Sunday  
Ordinary Time  
Time Year B



## Weekday Services 16/02 to 19/02

Tuesday:	5.00pm	Mass
Wednesday:	10.00am	Mass for Ash Wed
	6.00pm	Mass for Ash Wed
Thursday	10.00am	Mass
Friday:	10.00am	Mass
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer

The Portland Church only has capacity for around 60 people at any one time (as per the 1 person per 2sq metre rule). Bookings are still essential for Fri/Sat/Sun Masses. QR Code sign is available on Church front door to register when entering.

No bookings required for Tue/Wed/Thu

## Recent Deaths:

Joan Carr  
Anoja Stanislaus (sister of Fr Neville - Camperdown)

## Anniversaries:

Janette McKenzie, Eric Spencer, Helen & Trevor Troeth, Barbara Couttie, Mary (Mollie) Walsh, Anne Sharrock, Margaret O'Dea, Peter Crowe, Ian Berry, Pat Lloyd, Mary McCluskey, Ann Parry, Graeme Firth, Sr Rosalie SJG, Lorraine Zordan, Rex Jennings, Emmanuel Farugia, Owen Williams, Sr Jennifer Diamond IBVM, Peter Burch, Paddy Delaney, Norm McNess, Dorothy Stevens

## Prayer Requests:

Margaret Couttie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Nicky Schultz, Claire Jesser, Lea-anne Bourke, Rudy Legray, Michelle Mutch, Kizzie O'Dea

If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you

## Weekend Mass & Sacrament of Penance times.

### PORTLAND

Mass: Saturday 6.00 pm,  
Sunday 10:30 am

Baptisms by appointment with Fr. Gregory  
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday 10.30am or any Saturday 6.30pm vigil  
Marriages by appointment with Fr Gregory Tait.  
Sacrament of Penance By Appointment with Fr Gregory.

## "The Spire"

## All Saints' Parish

Portland - Heywood - Dartmoor

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Rev. Gregory A. D. Tait, P.P.

email: [greg.tait@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:greg.tait@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

Parish Secretary: Antonella Webbstock

Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am till 3.00pm

All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.

All Saints Parish Portland acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our Parish Community meets, the Gunditjmara people. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation and constitutional acknowledgement of first peoples

## Psalm 31

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven,  
whose sin is remitted.  
O happy the man to whom the Lord  
imputes no guilt,  
in whose spirit is no guile.

But now I have acknowledged my sins;  
my guilt I did not hide.  
I said: 'I will confess  
my offence to the Lord.'  
And you, Lord, have forgiven  
the guilt of my sin.

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,  
exult, you just!  
O come, ring out your joy,  
all you upright of heart.

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The English translation of the Psalm Responses, the Alleluia and the Gospel verses, are from the Lectionary for Mass © 1997, 1981, 1968, International Committee on English in the Liturgy, Inc. All rights reserved.

## Our Finances

### Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 943.00

Target \$62,400

Total YTD 2020/21 \$ 35,841  
Total YTD 2019/20 \$ 37,957

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: Portland Catholic Church  
BSB: 083 532  
Account No. 5159 81661

### Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$ 649.70

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: All Saints Presbytery Portland  
BSB: 083 526  
Account No. 24476 6002



### Summary of Parish Pastoral Team Meeting 4th February 2021

- **DOBCEL Handover** - Official handover of All Saints Parish Primary School and transitioned on 1/1/2021
- **St Patrick Day celebration** - Mass and then the possibility of a shared lunch, depending on COVID19 restrictions
- **Visitation to nursing homes** - each facility (BUPA, Harbourside and HRH) operate differently and will liaise with each on how to provide communion to residents.
- **Children's Liturgy** - Meeting to be held with leaders re commencing program again and also the approach and format of sessions
- **Sacramental Program 2021** - Parents sacramental program meeting Wednesday 3rd March, 7pm, All Saints Church
- **Cuppa after mass** - to start up again, 5th Sunday of months May, August & October
- **Child Safety** - Christine McMahon (teacher from All Saints Primary School) has taken over the role of Parish & School Child Safety Officer
- **Maintenance** - Propose to form a garden committee to look at the church garden surrounds and develop a plan in order to enhance the appearance of the church grounds.
  - The possibility of the replacement of a new sign at the front of the property

### Oceania Webinar: Faithful Stewards of God's Grace - February 16, 2021

Parish Pastoral Councils, Diocesan and Deanery Pastoral Councils, Pastoral and Parish Leadership teams are invited to explore best practices for lay pastoral ministry. Lay Pastoral Ministry is a very broad term embracing ministry offered by both employees and volunteers in a range of settings including parishes (eg. family ministry teams, sacramental preparation teams, music ministers, pastoral associates, youth ministers), in dioceses (eg. faith educators, evangelisation teams, support services), chaplaincies (eg. in ethnic communities, hospitals, prisons, schools, and universities), and in education (eg. principals, mission and youth coordinators and religious educators in Catholic schools and universities and special religious educators in state schools). All are welcome. This event will be hosted by the Pastoral Ministry Network (formerly known as NAPPA) and supported by the Mission Planners Network Oceania.

Register for the webinar at <https://tinyurl.com/oceaniawebinarfeb16>.

### Palms Australia seeking volunteers

For 60 years Palms Australia has been recruiting, preparing, sending and supporting Catholics from all around Australia to fill overseas professional placements in response to requests from international community partners. With COVID preventing the gatherings Palms would normally hold to facilitate recruitment for mission, they are instead asking for the assistance of our entire faith community to recruit the qualified and experienced Australians requested by partner organisations in low-income communities. These partners believe that the people Palms prepare and send for between one and three years provide the most effective and sustainable solutions to poverty. Palms thoroughly prepares and supports those recruited for mutual development and therefore welcomes enquiries to ensure an appropriately paced preparation. The website provides background to positions currently available <https://palms.org.au/assignments-abroad/current-opportunities/>

### All Saints Outreach Op-Shop: (In Target Car park) Phone: 5521 1587

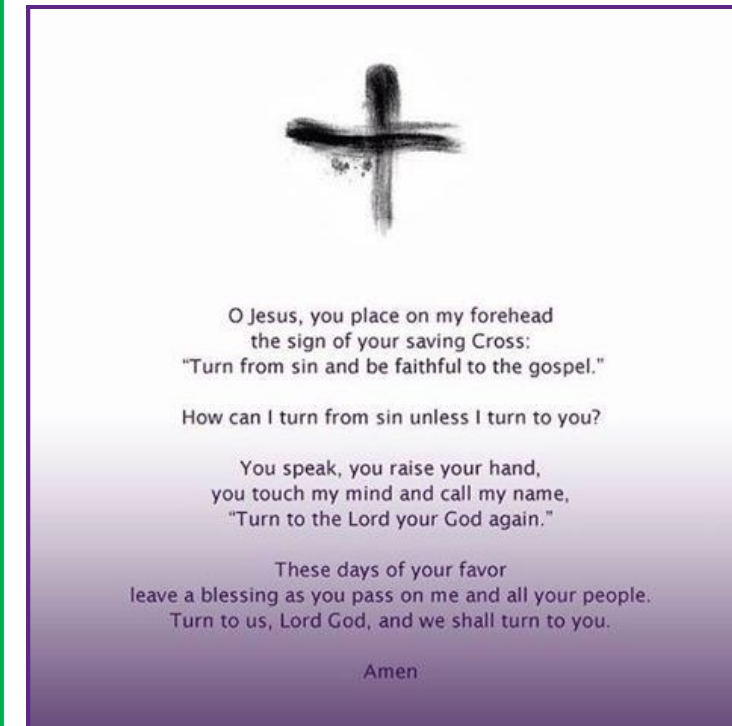
The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is in urgent need of good quality clothing; bric a brac or furniture.

Please ring Outreach for pick up if necessary. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Outreach.

Outreach is open Monday to Friday 10 am - 4pm and Saturdays 10am - 12 mid-day.

Outreach is a significant fundraiser within the Parish and we regularly need Volunteers to give 3 hours in the mornings or afternoons.

Please contact Marg Herbertson at Op-Shop for further information.



### All Saints Parish Primary School - Opening School Mass (Rescheduled)

The All Saints Parish Primary School opening school mass has been rescheduled to Tuesday 16th February 9.30am at the school. Unfortunately, due to current COVID19 restrictions only the school community is able to attend. Parishioners and/or family members of the children will not be able to come to mass, however you will be able to watch a live stream of the mass via the following link:

Youtube Link

<https://youtu.be/hQCXpqlUQlw>

### LENT 2021 WITH BRUCE DOWNES THE CATHOLIC GUY

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Come on a 40 day journey with me and I know this will be a powerful and prayerful Lenten journey together. Receive a short inspiring video each day during Lent. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: <https://BruceDownes.org/Lent>

Call 1300 734 880 for more info



Project Compassion Sunday  
14<sup>th</sup> February 2021



Please take home a Project Compassion set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "Be More". Through your generosity and by aspiring to be more, you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities.

You can donate through Parish envelopes, or by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.