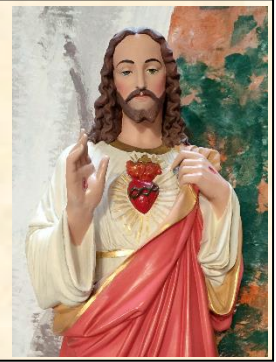




Sacred Heart Parish Preston



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Parish Finance Committee:

Peter Constable (Chair)

St. Vincent de Paul Society:

Stephen Costello (President)

Parish Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am (Italian), 10:30 am, 6:00 pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday: 9:10am

Healing Mass: 1st Friday of February, May, August & November at 1:30pm

Next Healing Mass: Friday 3 May 2024

Devotional Practices:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Thursday at 7:30pm for 1 hour.
(Excluding last Thursday of the month)



Holy Rosary: Thursday (English) after the 9:10am Mass

Reconciliation:

Every Saturday at 5:15pm

Baptisms & Weddings: By appointment only

Breakfast with Fr Aloysius

1st Monday of the month, the next one is on

Monday 6 May in the presbytery after 9:10am Mass.

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Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

3rd Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Sunday 14 April 2024

“Shalom -Peace Be With You!”

This week we continue to hear accounts of Jesus’ appearances to His disciples following His suffering and death. In more than one report of Jesus’ appearance to His forlorn and dejected disciples, His initial greeting is “Shalom!” - ‘Peace be with you!’ Out of the darkness of grief and death of hope, His words jerk them back to a life of peace, harmony, wholeness, completeness, prosperity, welfare and tranquility.

As they hear Jesus’ greeting of peace, the disciples are at first startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them. After all, He was dead!!! Jesus invites them to experience His true presence through their senses, to look, to touch and remember. The person present amongst them is truly the One who has undergone the death of crucifixion. Although the disciples cannot forget His suffering and death, peace begins to take root with the realization that the death of their beloved master has been a path to an ongoing relationship with Him.

Jesus eats with His disciples. The disciples came to understand Jesus’ mission best over meals that He shared with them. Descriptions of these meals are a defining element of Luke’s Gospel. By describing Jesus eating with His disciples after his Resurrection, Luke has us recall the Last Supper and Jesus’ direction to His disciples to continue to come together over a meal to recall the past, discuss the present and set goals for the future - unveiling for us the central significance of the Eucharist in the life our faith community. Having shared the intimacy of a meal with His disciples Jesus uncovers for them the significance of what was written about Him in the scriptures.

Luke will open the Acts of the Apostles with the story of Jesus sending the disciples out to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth. We who remember these events in every Eucharist celebration are to be both the recipients and practitioners of the mission of Jesus. If we allow our hearts to ‘burn’ within us as did two disciples as they walked with the ‘unidentified’ risen Jesus towards Emmaus, we too may recognise the Risen One in our gatherings, the Suffering One in those suffering in our world, touching His wounds like Thomas as we listen to their stories and address their needs and hear and become His witnesses of the ‘peace and love of God’ in our world. Of course, as they say, it all begins ‘at home’ in our interactions with those around us –our children, our family, friends, neighbours, parishioners... and ever spreads from there.

And as we continue our journey irrespective of what confronts or challenges us along the way, of Faith we might recall the words of the great poet:

*“Who is the third who walks always beside you?
When I count, there are only you and I together. But when
I look ahead up the road, there is always another one
walking beside you - gliding, wrapt in a dark mantle,
hooded. I do not know whether a man or a woman -but
who is that on the other side of you?”*

T.S. Eliot

May we, who share together the Peace of God be bearers of God’s peace to our world.



Sacred Heart Parish Prayer

Loving God, we honour the heart of Jesus, your beloved Son. We remember how he opened his heart in love to all people. Open our own heart to receive the gifts that continue to flow so richly from the heart of Christ, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

	Saturday 6:00pm Mass Lectors(Readers)	Saturday 6:00pm Mass - Ministers of Communion
06-Apr-24	Rohan Lemos Teresa Dang	Charlotte Bains
13-Apr-24	Marlene Vergou Terry Murphy	Mary Harb
20-Apr-24	Mary Harb Celia Lemos	Terry Murphy

	Sunday 10:30am Mass Lectors(Readers)	Sunday 10:30am Mass Ministers of Communion
07-Apr-24	Jessica Suppiah Ophelia Swai	Giovanna D' Intino
14-Apr-24	Jessy Thambiraj Hannah Lopez	Tony Eley
21-Apr-24	Judeline Wadhvani Albert D'Souza	Eileen Stevens

	Sunday 6:00pm Mass Lectors(Readers)	Sunday 6:00pm Mass Ministers of Communion
07-Apr-24	Tim Rankin Michelle Totawatte	Robert Dullard
14-Apr-24	Natalie Baran Michelle Totawatte	Damian Casamento
21-Apr-24	Tim Rankin Natalie Baran	Damian Casamento



WE PRAY FOR:

The elderly and the sick

Charlene Apollos, Sandra Bishop, John Storrie, Joan Bonwick, Ampelio Cavallin

Our Sacred Heart School student Samantha Corsi

Our parishioners, family members and friends, that they may be blessed with constant care, attention and respect.



Those who have died recently:

Tamara Jayaweera RIP 4/4 (Funeral Tues 16/4 at 2pm)

Antonio Angerame RIP 11/4 (Funeral Thurs 18/4 at 12pm)

We Commemorate:

Maria Elisabetta Ciancio, Raffaele Ciancio, Veneranda Sofra e Famiglie - Ciancio, Monteleone e Maiolo – all Sun 14/4 at 9am.

Rosaria and Francesco Iannella- Sun 14/4 at 9am.

Lupo Gugliotti; Pasquale e Antonio Gugliotti - Sun 14/4 at 9am.

O Lord may perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.



Last Week's Collection: 7.4.2024

1st Collection for our Church: \$805

2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$654

Thank you for your kind generosity!



Sacrificial giving via QR code

To support our parish, you can make a donation by scanning this QR code which is unique to Sacred Heart Church, Preston.

It will give you direct access to the CDF pay webpage by following a few easy steps.

The QR code is also displayed in the Church foyer.

Many thanks for your continued generosity and support to Sacred Heart parish.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OUR TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS

Sacred Heart Community Preston acknowledges the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, the traditional custodians of this Sacred land on which our Church stands.

We acknowledge their unique wisdom and ability to care for Country and their deep spiritual connection to it. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



✠ Solemnities / Feasts / Memorials of the Week ✠

Monday 8 April The Annunciation of the Lord

Thursday 11 April Saint Stanislaus, Bishop, Martyr

Saturday 13 April Saint Martin 1, Pope, Martyr



THOUGHTS FROM POPE FRANCIS

The joy of the Resurrection is ours, because it was given to us on the day of our Baptism. May we embrace the joy of this Easter Season! Let us hasten to seek out the Risen Christ in the Eucharist, in His forgiveness, in prayer, and in charitable deeds.



SHINING A LIGHT ON SELFLESSNESS

“Selflessness is not sacrificing something for others; it is sacrificing everything for others”

– Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Amidst the chaos of the world, there exists a rare breed of souls who defy self-interest and embrace the essence of service. They give their time and assistance without fanfare or expectation, their actions a testament to the power of selflessness. Through their unwavering commitment to others, they become beacons of hope and inspiration, lighting the way for others. They are living proof that the strength found in giving shows us there is still room for empathy and compassion. Their presence and dedication are a reminder that even in the bleakest of times, kindness still thrives.

“Dear God, may we recognise Earth's angels, embodiments of compassion and grace. Guide us to emulate their selfless deeds, spreading kindness and love in our wake. Help us appreciate and treasure these special people, as they brighten our lives with their goodness. Amen.”

Sourced from www.majellan.media



🕯 Baptism Congratulations 🕯

The community of Sacred Heart Parish congratulates

Olivia Gipp,

for her Baptism on Sunday 14 April.



INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. **COME & SEE!**

An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **Saturday 4 May 2024**, 10:00 -11.45 am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.

For more information: <https://vocations.melbournecatholic>

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate (Phone) 03 9412 3357

(Email) diaconate@cam.org.au





Caritas Australia's Sudan Crisis Appeal

25 million people - including 14 million children – are in dire need humanitarian assistance.

You can donate online www.caritas.org.au/sudan or phone 1800 024 413



Sacred Heart Primary School 2025 Enrolments



Enrolments for the 2025 school year Foundation classes, have opened. For a school tour, please contact the school principal on 9487 1001 or via the school website <http://www.shpreston.catholic.edu.au>

At Sacred Heart School, our students are at the heart of every decision we make. Every day is Open Day and prospective students and their families are warmly invited to tour our school.



5.35% p.a. 12-month term investment
5.05% p.a. 6-month term investment

By opening an account with CDF Community Fund, you are saving for a reward greater than money alone. Help build classrooms for students, places of worship for communities, hospital wings for the sick, aged care homes for the elderly and social service facilities for the most vulnerable.

It's a way to save while doing good.

*Rate subject to change. Interest paid at maturity. See our website for disclosure information.

Call 1800 134 135 or visit catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer to open an account and for disclosure details, or scan the QR code.



Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary.

THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY
One Family in Faith | One Family in Mission

World Mission May Rosary Prayers

Mon - Fri
Time: 2pm Brisbane / Melbourne time
12pm Perth time
Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>
Meeting ID:
893 8798 2280
Password:
876574

GO AND INVITE EVERYONE to the banquet

catholic mission
Reach out. Give life.



GLORY OF EUROPE PILGRIMAGE:

We invite you on a 14 day remarkable journey to explore the Glory of Europe. Immerse yourself in the rich history and profound spirituality of this journey as we embark on a tour from Lisbon to Rome. Fr Simon Grainger will be the Chaplain of the tour.

The package cost is \$5,300 AUD exclusive of Airfare.

The tour commences on 21 September 2024.

For enquiries or booking, please phone 0459 726 360 or nativitytoursau@gmail.com.

See poster in church foyer for more details.



NEED TO DISPOSE OF A VEHICLE?

Disposal of a car from a deceased estate, or when a family member has had to relinquish their licence or go into residential care, can be a challenging process. Getting a roadworthy, taking photos to advertise on the internet, cleaning and polishing, taking calls (if they come), even finding a garage until a prospective buyer turns up (if indeed they do!).

If you need to dispose of a vehicle from a deceased estate or which is no longer required, could you consider gifting it to the "Lifeboat Foundation", a registered charity with tax deductible status, which for ten years has been providing pastoral and practical support to nearly 150 victims / survivors across Australia of church-related sexual abuse.

Many of these suffer Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and have had limited or no employment., A donated vehicle could vastly improve their quality of life and / or generate much-needed funds to assist personal, medical and accommodation needs.

If you would like to explore the possibility of gifting a potentially suitable vehicle to "Lifeboat", contact:

Fr. Kevin Dillon (frkdillon@outlook.com.au or 0421 777 360) or Adam Kaali (0411 486 605 or adam-kaali@hotmail.com).



Joke Corner

Following Mass one Sunday morning, a thoughtless parishioner tossed a cigarette butt into the garden. Spotting the smouldering bush, the parish priest pulled out his mobile phone and called the fire department.

The person on the other end queried the priest. "Father, you're telling me there's a burning bush in front of your church and you want us to put it out?"

Why did the hipster burn his mouth?
He drank the coffee before it was cool.

Why did the frog take the bus to work today?
His car got toad away.

What do you call a pony with a cough?
A little horse.

Why do French people eat snails?
They don't like fast food.

Why did the golfer wear two pairs of pants?
Just in case he got a hole in one!

What do sea monsters eat?
Fish and ships.

I excel at sleeping. In fact, I can do it with my eyes closed.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you,
my brothers and sisters, that I have
greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in
my words, in what I have done and in
what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore, I ask blessed Mary Ever-
Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on
earth peace to people of good will. / We
praise you, / we bless you, / we adore
you, / we glorify you, / we give you
thanks for your great glory, / Lord God,
heavenly King, / O God, almighty
Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only
Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father, / you take away the
sins of the world, / have mercy on us; /
you take away the sins of the world, /
receive our prayer; / you are seated at
the right hand of the Father, / have
mercy on us. / For you alone are the
Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, /
you alone are the Most High, / Jesus
Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the
glory of God the Father. / Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 3:13-15,17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are
Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham,
Isaac and Jacob, the God of our
ancestors, who has glorified his servant
Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over
and then disowned in the presence of
Pilate after Pilate had decided to release
him. It was you who accused the Holy
One, the Just One, you who demanded
the reprieve of a murderer while you
killed the prince of life. God, however,
raised him from the dead, and to that
fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you
nor your leaders had any idea what you
were really doing; this was the way
God carried out what he had foretold,
when he said through all his prophets
that his Christ would suffer. Now you
must repent and turn to God, so that
your sins may be wiped out.'

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 4:2,4,7,9

The Response Is:

Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O God of
justice; from anguish you released me,
have mercy and hear me!

Lord, let your face shine on us.

It is the Lord who grants favours to
those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him.

Lord, let your face shine on us.

'What can bring us happiness?' many
say.

Lift up the light of your face on us, O
Lord.

Lord, let your face shine on us.

I will lie down in peace and sleep
comes at once for you alone, Lord,
make me dwell in safety.

Lord, let your face shine on us.

SECOND READING

1 John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins
away,
and not only ours,
but the whole world's.

We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know him',
and does not keep his commandments,
is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.

But when anyone does obey what he
has said,
God's love comes to perfection in him.
The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

*Please stand for the Gospel
Acclamation.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when
you speak.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what
had happened on the road and how they
had recognised Jesus at the breaking of
bread.

They were still talking about all this
when Jesus himself stood among them
and said to them, 'Peace be with you!'

In a state of alarm and fright, they
thought they were seeing a ghost. But
he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and

why are these doubts rising in your
hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes,
it is I indeed. Touch me and see for
yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and
bones as you can see I have.' And as he
said this he showed them his hands and
feet. Their joy was so great that they
still could not believe it, and they stood
there dumbfounded; so he said to them,
'Have you anything here to eat?' And
they offered him a piece of grilled fish,
which he took and ate before their eyes.
Then he told them, 'This is what I
meant when I said, while I was still
with you, that everything written about
me in the Law of Moses, in the
Prophets and in the Psalms has to be
fulfilled.' He then opened their minds
to understand the scriptures, and he
said to them, 'So you see how it is
written that the Christ would suffer and
on the third day rise from the dead, and
that, in his name, repentance for the
forgiveness of sins would be preached
to all the nations, beginning from
Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, / the Father almighty,
/ Creator of heaven and earth, / and in
Jesus Christ, his only Son, our lord, /
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
/ born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered
under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified,
died and was buried; / he descended
into hell; / on the third day he rose
again from the dead; / he ascended into
heaven, / and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty; / from
there he will come to judge the living
and the dead. / I believe in the Holy
Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the
communion of saints, / the forgiveness
of sins, / the resurrection of the body, /
and life everlasting. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The disciples recognized the Lord
Jesus in the breaking of the bread,
alleluia.

