

Damascus Parish Bulletin

12th July 2026
15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

A vibrant community, journeying with Jesus

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Damascus Parish is a welcoming and inclusive community that is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Damascus Parish acknowledges the Wadawurrung people as the traditional custodians of this land, and we pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

St Christopher's Church

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass

Tuesday 9.30am Mass

St Therese Church

Sunday 9am Mass

Sunday 5pm Mass

Wednesday 9am Rosary

Wednesday 9.30am Mass

Friday 9am Rosary

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followed by prayers of
adoration

Nazareth Church

Sunday 11am Mass

Thursday 9.30am

CONFESSION

St Christophers Church

Saturday 5.30pm-6pm

Nazareth Church

Sunday 10.30am-11am

St Therese Church

Sunday 4.30 pm-5pm

HOME VISITS

If there are any parishioners who are sick or housebound and would like to receive communion or a home visit please make contact with the parish office: 9412 8444



Synodality and joy

When people are invited to participate meaningfully, joy increases. A synodal Church is not weighed down by bureaucracy but energised by shared mission.



Weekday Masses

I will be taking some leave over the next couple of weeks. The weekend masses will be supplied by both visiting and local priests, which is great. However, there will be no weekday masses in our parish from July 7 to July 18. Please see below some weekday mass times at our neighbouring parishes:

St Bernard's, Belmont

- Tuesday and Friday: 12:00 pm
- Wednesday and Thursday: 9:30 am

Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

- Tuesday and Thursday: 9:15 am

St Mary's Basilica, Geelong

- Tuesday to Saturday: 10:00 am

Bless,
Fr Joel

First Reading:

Isaiah 55:10-11

Responsorial Psalm:

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Second Reading:

Romans 8:18-23

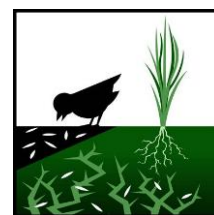
Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23



Daily Readings

PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY

Recent deaths: Prof. Bernard Daffey
Anniversaries who are at this time:

Michele Vannata, Irma Govia, Silvino Arce,
Rick Burchell, John Byrne

PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

Rosie Armitage

ACACIA PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP GROVEDALE

Morning tea is our next activity as follows:

Hosts Sim & Dick Tjahjadi

Tuesday 14th July

Venue 7 Natika Crt Grovedale

RSVP 12th July-- Sim 0419170845

New members and visitors welcome.



REACH VIETNAM APPEAL 2026

25TH & 26TH JULY



Direct Deposit
Archdiocese of Melbourne Catholic Development Fund
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