

ST ALOYSIUS PARISH



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MISSION STATEMENT

Through our worship and our daily living we strive to follow faithfully the way of Jesus Christ tell courageously the truth of Jesus Christ live joyfully the life of Jesus Christ

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS	6.00pm
SUNDAY MASS & Children's Liturgy	9.30am
WEEKDAY MASS	8:00am
RECONCILIATION	5.30pm Saturday or by appointment
BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES	By Appointment

Welcome to all who worship with our parish community

Morning tea is shared on Sundays after 9.30am Mass in the Parish Centre

Newly arrived and not registered? Please fill in a Parish Registration Form on the porch bench

PARISH DIARY

Sunday	7 January	The Epiphany of the Lord
Monday	8 January	The Baptism of the Lord
Sunday	14 January	Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Children's Liturgy Summer Recess

Offering – 31 December 2017

First Collection \$548.85 Second Collection \$624.80

Christmas \$1151.60

Thank you for your continued support

Pope Francis – A Living Jesus is the Foundation of the Church

"If a living Jesus isn't in the Church, she collapses," warned Pope Francis while celebrating Mass on November 9, 2017. In the course of the celebration at Saint Martha's Residence in the Vatican, the Holy Father encouraged all to "purify the Church," beginning with oneself.

To "build the Church" one must remember that Jesus "is the cornerstone in this building. Without Jesus Christ there is no Church. Why? — because there is no foundation. And if one builds a church – we think of a material church – without a foundation, what happens to it? It collapses. Everything collapses. If there isn't a living Jesus in the Church, she collapses," explained the Pontiff in his homily.

"And we, what are we?" asked the Pope. "We are living stones": it's the richness of the Church. Each one of us builds according to the gift that God has given him. We can't think of a uniform Church: that's not the Church," he said.

The Holy Father also encouraged to "protect the Church": "how many Christians today know who Jesus Christ is, know who the Father is – because they pray the Our Father – however, when you speak of the Holy Spirit... "Yes, yes...ah, it's the dove, the dove," and it stops there. But the Holy Spirit is the life of the Church, He's your life, my life.""

"We are the temple of the Holy Spirit and we must protect the Holy Spirit, to such a point that Paul counsels Christians 'not to grieve the Holy Spirit', namely, not to have behavior that is contrary to the harmony that the Holy Spirit creates in us and in the Church. He is harmony, He creates the harmony of this building," he continued.

The Record: A free copy of The Record is available for you in the church porch. Please take one and consider its theme of Adult Faith. There is much in there for your thoughtful reflection.

Parish Centre. Please check the plates left in the Parish Centre after recent events. Are any yours? Any remaining will go to the Vinnies opp shop.

Website. See Latest News in the parish website, shentonparkcatholics.org.au

Please Continue to Pray for David Cornish, Mary Barnett, Ines Janca, Virginia O'Shannassy (Pam Meehan's cousin) and Sandra (sister of Rita de Faria).