

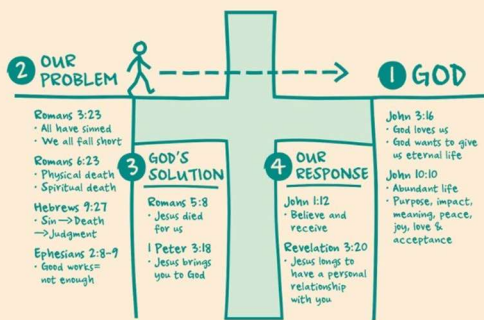


HOLY FAMILY DOVETON

The only thing that counts is faith working through love. (Galatians 5:6)



24th SUNDAY in Ordinary Time
14th SEPTEMBER 2025



The Bridge to Life

The Holy Cross of Jesus is closely connected to our faith. Just take a look at the Holy Mass we celebrate, from 'In the name of the Father....' to 'May the Almighty God bless you, in the name of the Father...' we are signed with the symbol of the Cross of Christ. And in the Mass, we have the sign of the cross at the proclamation of the Gospel and at Consecration.

What does the sign of the cross in the Eucharist lead us to understand? If you notice the prayer when signing with the cross at the Consecration, "...make holy therefore these gifts we pray by sending down your spirit upon them like the dewfall, that they may become the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ." (and signs the Bread and wine with the sign of the Cross). There is a movement of the faithful in the eucharist, gathered around the altar, brought

onto

Parish Priest:

Fr. Joby George VC

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Fr Sebastian

Mappilaparambil VC

Parish Secretary:

Caroline Allen

Parish Manager:

Gerard Antony

Principal:

Paul Sharp

Child Safety Officer:

Florida Nugara

Catechist:

Christina D'Couto

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday..... 9.15am

..... 11.00am

Healing Mass 7.00pm

Spanish Mass:

Saturday 4.00pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Saturday 9.15am

Wednesday 7.00pm

Reconciliation:

Tuesday 9.45am - 10.15am

Saturday 9.45am - 10.15am

Novena to Our Lady:

Saturday 9.00am

Wednesday 7.00pm

Baptisms: Second Sunday**Divine Kids Bible Class:**

Sunday 10.15am

Parish Prayer Group:

Tuesday 7.00pm-8.00pm

Parish Halls Hire:

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to the Altar in bread and wine, becoming one with the Body and Blood of Christ in communion, and sent back to the Altar of the world to share and become Christ to everyone.

The sign of the Cross is the most expressive but simple symbol of our belongingness to Christ. The cross reminds us of Christ all the time. It is through the cross of Christ we have been made Christian. The Cross is the mark of belongingness to Christ. By His Cross our Lord Jesus, made a bridge - healing our separation from God the Father we incurred because of our sins. "For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, and in one body **to reconcile both of them to God through the cross**, by which he put to death their hostility." (Ephesians 2:14-16). Just for our reflection, imagine a chasm between God and you because of the separation caused by sin. And Jesus out of His love for us puts the Holy Cross as a bridge covering the gap and making it possible for us to access the place where we want to be for eternity. Unless we get on to the Cross of Christ, we won't cross over to the other side. So, we don't run away but we embrace it for through the Cross we reach Resurrection. And through the Cross of Christ, I decrease and Christ increases in me. "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." (Galatians 2:20).

God bless us all,

Fr. Joby George VC

CHILD SAFETY

Holy Family Parish is committed to upholding the wellbeing, safety and dignity of each child and young person and ensuring that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church.

READINGS

SUNDAY

THE EXALTATION
of the HOLY CROSS
Num 21:4-9
Ps 77:1-2,34-38
Phil 2:6-11
Jn 3:13-17

MONDAY

Our Lady of Sorrows
Heb 5:7-9
Ps 30:2-6,15-16,20
Jn 19:25-27

TUESDAY

Sts Cornelius, pope, martyr,
and Cyprian, bishop, martyr
1Tim 3:1-13
Ps 100:1-3,5,6
Lk 7:11-17

WEDNESDAY

1Tim 3:14-16
Ps 110:1-6
Lk 7:31-35

THURSDAY

1Tim 4:12-16
Ps 110:7-10
Lk 7:36-50

FRIDAY

1Tim 6:2-12
Ps 48:6-10,17-20
Lk 8:1-3

SATURDAY

Sts Andrew Kim Tae-
gon, priest, martyr, Paul
Chong Ha sang &
companions, martyrs
1Tim 6:13-16
Ps 99: R
Lk 8:4-15

WEEKLY PRAYER INTENTION

For all IN FINANCIAL DEBT

We will be praying for this intention in every Holy Mass
for this week. Please keep them in your personal Rosary
and prayers.

3RD FRIDAY INTERCESSION NIGHT



FRIDAY

7.00 PM – 12.00 AM

In one hour, Consecutive Sessions. Please
join at your Convenience



DIVINE KIDS
www.divinekids.com.au

Sunday Bible Class

EVERY SUNDAY 10:15 AM TO 11:00 AM
(Except first Sundays)
Fellowship Hall
Holy Family Church
100 Power Road, Doveton



Join Divine Kids for Sunday Bible Classes!



Jesus said "Let the little children come to me,
and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of
heaven belongs to such as these."



Each 40-minute class includes:
• a fun activity or game
• group prayer and
• a Bible lesson focused on the Gospel.
Our dedicated team of 5-6 passionate teachers
prepare interactive and meaningful lessons each
week to help children learn, connect, and grow in
their faith.

Registration is **free** and
encouraged for parents who
want their children to grow
in the knowledge of Christ
and carry God's Word in their
hearts.

CONTACT PARISH OFFICE ON (03) 9792 4317
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SAINTS OF THE WEEK



September 15

Our Lady of Sorrows



September 16

St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian



September 20

St Andrew Kim & Companions

POSITIONS VACANT

CAM Positions

- **EOI – Australian Catholic Youth Festival, Volunteer Opportunities**
- **Bookshop Assistant, Central Catholic Bookshop**

Parish Positions

- **Administrative Assistant, St Jude's Parish, Langwarrin**
- **Finance Officer, Our Lady of Pentecost, Balwyn**
- **Parish Property Co-ordinator, Our Lady of Pentecost, Balwyn**

Details: [Job vacancies](#) | [Melbourne Catholic](#)

Parish Office Opening Hours

Tuesday to Friday
9.30am to 1.30pm

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Let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, and all the more as you see the day approaching. (Hebrews 10:25)