



**“Though many we are one.”**  
**One in faith and one in the**  
**Gospel values**  
**of hospitality and welcome,**  
**compassion and justice.**

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Declan O’Brien  
**Priest in Residence:** Fr. Abraham Kunnatholy  
**Deacon:** Rev. George Piech Meat  
**Pastoral Associate:** Mrs. Cate Kavanagh  
**Secretaries:** Franca Van Boxtel  
 Maree Walker  
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**Gardener /Caretaker:** Mr. Kevin McLaren  
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**Parish Office Hours**  
 Monday to Friday : 9.00am-3.00pm

**If you urgently need a priest please call 9791 4611, if Father does not answer, please leave a message and he will call you back.**

**Sunday Mass held in the St Mary’s school Auditorium McCrae street until further notice.**

**Times**  
**Saturday Evening:** 6.00pm  
**Sunday:** 8.30am, 10.30am and 5.30pm  
**Weekday Mass Times**  
**Monday:** Mass at the school auditorium 9.15am  
**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:** Mass 9.30am in the Parish office meeting room  
**Thursday:** Mass at Cardinal Knox 11.00am  
**Friday:** Word and Communion Service 9.30am in the Parish office meeting room  
**Saturday morning:** 9.30am in Parish office meeting room

**Reconciliation:** 5 to 5.45pm Saturday or upon request .

**Baptism:** Enrolments take place after 8.30 am Sunday Eucharist with Cate Kavanagh

**Marriage:** please book the Church at the same time as you book your venue.

As marriage preparation is an essential condition of marriage, you must book your **preparation course** at least **4 months** prior to the wedding. Further details can be obtained from Fr. O’Brien.

**St. Mary’s Primary School** Phone: 9791 7650 New St, Dandenong: **Principal:** Mr. Greg White  
**St. John’s Regional College** Phone 9791 3366 Caroline St, Dandenong:  
**Principal:** Mr. Andrew Walsh  
**St. Mary’s Community Centre** 9792 4884  
 New St, Dandenong: Download brochure from www.stmarysdandenong.org



If you are going to Hospital and would like to be anointed please call Fr Declan 9791 4611



**From the desk of the Parish Priest..... Father D**

Who are we in the eyes of God? What can God do with us? After all, we are no more than little people in a vast world. Today’s liturgy shows us that God can do very much through us and with the little we have to give. When we give to Him our time, our life, our talent and the little we can do, he turns them into blessings for many. He can do great things with us, but we have to put them at his disposal. The Gospel shows us what Jesus could do to satisfy the needs of a large crowd with the meagre gifts of a child. We ask the Lord to make us generous with the little we have.

*Beginning next Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, and on every Saturday thereafter, after the 9.30 am Mass in the Parish Centre we have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until mid-day. The Rosary will be prayed after Mass as usual and Father Declan will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please come and spend some time with our Blessed Lord in the great Sacrament of the Eucharist..*

Welcome **Georgia and Edward** who are being baptised this Sunday. Please pray for them and their families.

**Morning Mass and Word and Communion Service**

**Monday:** 9.15 am at St Mary’s School Auditorium.

The following will be held in the Parish meeting room on Foster Street side

**Mass**  
**Tuesday—9.30 am, Wednesday—9.30am, Thursday—9.30am, Saturday—9.30 am**

**Word and Communion Service**  
**Friday – 9.30am**

*Weekend Masses will be held in the school auditorium at the usual times. Please enter from McCrae street. Please as a courtesy leave the front area for disabled parking.*

**“Music and rhythm find their way into the secret places of the soul” Plato**

Join us as we listen deeply to music and allow the healing power of music to touch us. This gentle process uses classical music, relaxation, an expression of our experience through drawing or writing and some small group sharing.

When: August 4, 11 & 18 1.30-3pm  
 Where: The Open Door, 110 Ann St, Dandenong  
 Suggested Donation: \$5  
 Bookings essential: Trish or Jo 9791 8664  
 Led by Sr Florence Holligan SSIJ

Some people prefer to lie on the floor for the music experience —please bring a rug and a cushion if you would like to do this.

Dot Simpson and family would like to thank Fr Declan and the parishioners of St Mary’s for their messages, love and support following the loss of Stuart.

**The Catholic Dandenong Deanery**

presents a Conference “What On Earth is Discipleship” facilitated by Fr Anthony Gittens, renowned theologian and author.

Sat 12 Sept 9.30 registration; 10-4  
 Sun 13 Sept 1pm, concluding with 5.30pm Mass

At Killester College (Sat sessions)  
 St Anthony’s Hall (Sun session only)  
 Book by 14 Aug —Ph Paddy 0422 296 961

**Special Eucharistic Ministers (during Mass & to the Sick) Training**

**Sun 2nd Aug:** after 8.30am Mass & at 4.30pm  
**Sat 8th Aug:** 5pm  
 At school auditorium

**COFFEE CONNEXIONS (HEARTS IN ACTION)**

A gathering for women and men in their 20’s, 30’s and 40’s for spirituality enrichment, friendship, motivation and social opportunities.

Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> August – 7.45 PM  
 Topic: “Ten Tips for Happiness”. Speaker: Timothy Mulvany OAM  
 Our Lady of the Assumption Parish – Exodus Hall  
 9 Centre Dandenong Road, Cheltenham  
 Enquiries: Cathy – 0408 013 397 or Sr Sue – 9512 0730

**Polish Mass will now be held at The Divine Mercy Shrine, 337-343 Greens Road, Keysborough. 9701 6071**

**St Mary’s Tennis Club**  
 Ladies are you interested in playing competition tennis on a Tuesday as a regular team member or emergency? Please contact Ann on 9791 1417.

Rosters for weekend of 25th-26th July				
	6pm	8.30am	10.30am	5.30pm
<b>Readers</b>	Susan Rodrigues Dalrene Corera	Annmarie Lochery Patricia Oliver Rutherford	Martin Martens Tania Holland	Neville Thomas Remy Palat
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Elizabeth Fernandes Theresa Fernandes Bibiana Fernandes	Ann Dalton Maria De Petra Joanna Van Der Ven	Rita Sly Stefania Vecchio Sala Perez Rose Impala	Graham Newberry Ria Greene
Rosters for Weekend of 1st-2nd Aug				
	6pm	8.30am	10.30am	5.30pm
<b>Readers</b>	Jeanette Colvin Martin Martens	Elizabeth Luamanu Hannie Talora	Rogan Kelly Clara Marasignan	Roshan Illiparabil Ria Greene
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Russell D’Costa Valerie D’Costa Janet Murray	Fay Gubbels Gerry Netto Utalua Niupuluso	Thorwald Philipp Edith Philipp Geraldine Koskoszka Colin Maslen	Marilyn Meyer Neville Thomas Remy Palat

*If any Parishioner would like their house to be blessed, please contact Franca or Maree at the Parish office 9791 4611 to make a booking with either Father Declan or Deacon George.*



*Next week’s readings are on the notice board at the back of the auditorium.*



**The Regulars:**  
**Daily Rosary** after morning Mass (except Sunday)  
**Tuesdays:** Centering prayer meditation at The Open Door, 7pm  
**2nd Wednesday:** **CanCare** at Endeavour Hills\*\*  
**3rd Wednesday:** **Friendship Club** lunch at Dandenong RSL  
**First Sunday Hospitality** Sunday ~Cuppa’s  
**Third Sunday Presentation of Baptism** candidates at 10.30am Mass followed by Baptism preparation  
**Youth Group** after 5.30 Mass  
**Fourth Sunday Baptism at 10.30 Mass**

\*The Open Door is part of the St John of God Ministries, 110 Ann Street Dandenong 9791 8664

\*\* CanCare sponsored by St Paul Apostle Parish Endeavour Hills it is led by cancer survivors, and its members are all people who have been touched by cancer. All who have been touched by cancer are welcome. You don’t have to be Catholic. Meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7.30pm at St Paul Apostle Parish Endeavour Hills Parish Centre. For more information call 97003781 during office hours.

**Heart of Life Spirituality Centre**  
 96 Albion Road, Box Hill Ph: 98901101

*What’s on in August?*  
 Saturday Prayer Day with Bridget Agius

\* **Cosmos, Christ and Creator Spirit:** This prayer day explores the interconnectedness of contemporary science and theology. The day will involve some input, silent time and optional sharing. Although some intellectual dialogue may occur, the focus for the day is to relax, receive and reflect.

**Saturday August 1\* 10.00 am – 3.30 pm**  
 Applications need to be in by **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June**  
 Cost: \$40 BYO lunch

**This weekend we pray for**

**Recently Deceased** Aida Lopez-Zafra, Teresa Jackson

**Anniversaries:** David Kelly, Sotero & Susana Cellona, Simeon & Teodora Ramos, Domingo & Amanda Lopez, Rudolfo Lopez, Olive & Romeo Netto

**Sick:** Sharon Rozario, Jeff Fisher, Marlene Frawley, Aileen Leahy, Shelley Campbell, Ryan Robinson, Anthony Tan, Col Cormick, Frank Pigott, David Morrison, Tyrone De Silva, Margaret Deegan, Jenny Stivic, Ruth Caia, Michael Kelly, Gary Van Hostauyen, Angela Sumyla, Kim, Faye Waring

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