



St Mary's Parish

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*"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
DEACON: Rev. George Piech Meat
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Kathy Gottliebsen
PARISH SECRETARIES: Franca Van Boxtel and Maree Walker
GARDENER/CARETAKER: Mr. Kevin McLaren
CENTRE MANAGER: Ms Sue Findlay
CATECHETICS CO-ORDINATOR: Ms Marilyn Cuddihy

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday : 9.00am-3.30pm

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.

WEEKEND MASS TIME

Saturday Evening: 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am and 5.30pm

WEEK DAY MASS TIME

Monday: 9.15am - St Mary's School Auditorium during school terms.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9.30am (Parish office meeting room)

Thursday: 11.00am (Cardinal Knox)

Friday: 9.30 am (Word and Communion Service in the Parish office meeting room)

Saturday morning: 9.30am (Parish office meeting room)

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Centre on 9791 4611

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.

RECONCILIATION

After the 9.30 am mass Saturday Mornings, 5pm to 5.45pm Saturday (before 6pm Mass) or upon request.

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**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



## From the desk of the Parish Priest Fr Declan



We're told that Saint Augustine was once walking along a beach trying to figure out the mystery of the Trinity. He came upon a child filling a hole with bucket after bucket of sea water. "You can't empty the whole ocean into that hole!", the Saint laughed. Looking at Saint Augustine, the child replied, "And neither can you ever understand the mystery of the Trinity!", the child retorted.

Today's Feast us to reflect on one of the most profound truths of our faith - that God is three and one. Three equal persons, one God. If even a clever man like Saint Augustine couldn't exhaust the mystery in thousands of words, what can I hope to do in a very short paragraph in our weekly parish bulletin.

Maybe we can allow God's Word to teach us. Jesus tells us that the Holy Spirit will teach us what we need to know. The Spirit, Jesus says, works in union with Jesus and with the Father. These words come from Jesus' Discourse at the Last Supper, when the disciples were troubled about their future. The Lord wanted to console them, that He and the Father would remain present to them through the Holy Spirit. There is consolation in these words for us as well, as we face the fear and questions of the Church in our world and culture of the Twenty First Century.

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### Rosters for Weekend 21st-22nd May 2016

|                              | 6pm                               | 8.30am                                             | 10.30am                                                             | 5.30pm                                      |
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| <b>Readers</b>               | Susan Rodrigues<br>Dalrene Corera | Casimiar Niupuluso Leo<br>Janina Gorski            | Colin Maslen<br>Ofella Alvarado                                     | Michelle Alvares<br>Peter Harkin            |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> | Martin Martens<br>Marina Walles   | Belen Satuito<br>Carmel Simmonds<br>Maria De Petra | Robert Coomaraswamy<br>Orito Awo<br>Samaria Nepa<br>Ofelia Alvarado | Graham Newberry<br>Ria Greene<br>Remy Palat |

### Rosters for Weekend 28h-29th May 2016

|                              | 6pm                                                           | 8.30am                                             | 10.30am                                           | 5.30pm                                                  |
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| <b>Readers</b>               | Jeanette Colvin<br>Martin Martens                             | Belen Satuito<br>Ramona Dias                       | Elizabeth Lam Sam<br>Pamela Spink                 | Edna Lee<br>Rodney Gonsalves                            |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> | Elizabeth Fernandes<br>Theresa Fernandes<br>Bibiana Fernandes | Ann Dalton<br>Maria De Petra<br>Joanna Van Der Ven | Anna Minenna<br>Tania Holland<br>Stefania Vecchio | Marilyn Meyer<br>Neville Thomas<br>Silva Mastrogiovanni |

## \*\*\*\*\*Attention Readers\*\*\*\*\*

Readings for 15th May to 5th June are on the notice board at the back of the auditorium

Please welcome **Shania** who is being baptised this Sunday. Please pray for her and her family.



## 'Talks on.... Spirituality'

We'd like to invite you to our next 'Talks On... Spirituality' with our very own *Ellie Chatto* as guest speaker.

The Open Door has fundraised for a school/home in Myanmar for two of the past four years, after Ellie visited and fell in love with the children at the school of The Sacred Heart Church in Kyauktan. She has returned three out of the past four years, and will be going again this year to take ours and others monies donated and she will actually hand the donation to Father Mathew, the Parish Priest for their school.

It will be great to hear Ellie; she has some lovey stories and photos to share.

Don't forget to book early as places are limited.

Where: **The Open Door, 110 Ann Street, Dandenong**

When: **Wednesday 25 May 2016 5.30-6.30pm**

Suggested donation: \$5

Bookings essential: Call Trish or Jo 9791 8664



Please pray for the children of our Parish who are making their confirmation next Friday 20th May.

May God keep the gifts of the Holy Spirit active in their hearts.



Last weekend, we had Chaplaincy Sunday in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. There was a special collection in all parishes for the purpose of supporting the vital work of our Catholic Chaplains.

*"In our encounters with people in distress, we walk into some dark places and help bring in light."*  
Chaplain

The presence of Catholic Chaplains provides hope. Try to imagine if you or someone very close to you was seriously ill in hospital or alone and frightened in their first week of a very long sentence in prison, or just a kid in a Youth Correctional Facility. Consider those who are silently grappling with the prejudices and judgements that come with living with HIV/AIDS. Don't forget our brothers and sisters who are away for long bouts of time at sea, away from church support, family and friends.

The presence of Catholic Chaplains is a crucial witness to our faith, a crucial dimension of our service of love, and a vital testimony of the value of life in all its stages.

If you would like further information please contact the Development Office: 9926 5731  
Donations will go towards supporting Chaplains who work with:

- Patients and their families in public hospitals
- People living with HIV/AIDS
- Men and women in Prisons
- Young people in youth justice facilities
- Seafarers

# 2016

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY  
DEC 8, 2015—NOV 20, 2016



## 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

**1st Sunday:** Hospitality Sunday ~Cuppa's

**3rd Sunday:** Presentation of Baptism candidates at 10.30am Mass followed by Baptism preparation

**Youth Group** after 5.30 Mass

**4th 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.

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## This weekend we pray for

### Recently Deceased :

**Anniversaries:** Jacqueline Netto, Maria Gorski, Miro & Elena Percic

**Sick:** Sharon Rozario, Jeff Fisher, Shelley Campbell, Ryan Robinson, Anthony Tan, Col Cormick, David Morrison, Tyrone De Silva, Margaret Deegan, Jenny Stivic, Ruth Caia, Michael Kelly, Kim, Faye Waring, Daren Vukmirovic, Eva Macasinag,, Bernadine Anthony, Melissa Warren, Fr Tony Guelen

*The privacy legislation requires us to have written permission by an authorised person before any name can be printed in the Marian.*

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### Collections for last weekend...

Thanksgiving: \$ 1,309.00

Presbytery: \$ 453.25

Loose money: \$ 1,157.85

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



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### Information on the Sick

Please inform the Parish Office if a sick person is seriously ill, homebound or hospitalised and wants to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Anointing

