



# 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.*

### Prayer for the Refurbishment of St Mary's Parish Dandenong

Heavenly Father, as we commence the refurbishment of our Church.  
We give thanks to those who have worked so hard to bring us to this commencement.

Let us pray that FIMMA Constructions, Gerard Smith (Architect), Anthony Russo  
(the Artist) and all those who through their skills and giftedness will bring this project to fruition.

*St Joseph the Worker Pray for us  
St Vincent Ferrer Patron of Builders Pray for us  
St Mary of Dandenong Pray for us*



# 2016

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

**Becoming Catholic- RCIA Programme 2016/17** If you are interested in joining a small group to begin inquiries into the Catholic faith, please let Deacon George know after the Sunday morning Masses or call the Parish Office on 9791 4611

**PARISH PRIEST:** Fr. Declan O'Brien  
**DEACON:** Rev. George Piech Meat  
**PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:** Kathy Gottlieb  
**PARISH SECRETARIES:** Franca Van Boxtel & Maree Walker  
**FINANCE OFFICER:** Ms Josie Ferarro  
**GARDENER/CARETAKER:** Mr. Kevin McLaren  
**CENTRE MANAGER:** Ms Sue Findlay  
**CATECHETICS CO-ORDINATOR:** Ms Marilyn Cuddihy

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday to Friday : 9.00am-3.00pm

*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.*

#### 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: 9.00am (Parish office meeting room)  
Thursday: 11.00am (Cardinal Knox)  
Friday: 11.00am (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

At 5pm to 5.45pm Saturday (before 6pm Mass) or upon request

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.

Acting Principal: Brendan Watson  
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

### PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Our Parish Stewardship Program starts in 2 weeks' time. This vital Program is a time for us to reflect on the role of our parish in our lives and to revisit Christian Stewardship as a way of living. Parishioners are invited to give a little of their time to ensure that our Program will be successful in every way.

### WORKING BEE

There will be a working bee to prepare letters for our parishioners and school parents. If you are able to help us fold and prepare letters please come along and lend a hand. The working bee will be on Thursday, 27 October at 10:00 AM in the Parish Centre. The more the merrier and the quicker!

**Save the date:** Our Parish Information Meeting is on Wednesday, 23 November at 07:30 PM in the Parish Centre. At this meeting we gather as a community to plan for the future of our parish and share a cuppa together. More information will be made available over the coming weeks.

#### Program Prayer

*Lord, we thank you for calling us to be your Church.  
Through our Baptism we are called to service and to witness.  
In the Eucharist we sustain and strengthen that call.  
By serving others we follow your example and proclaim our beliefs.  
By our Christian generosity we demonstrate our love and care.  
Lord, help us always to worship you as you deserve,  
to grow in faith and service  
and to give without counting the cost.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*

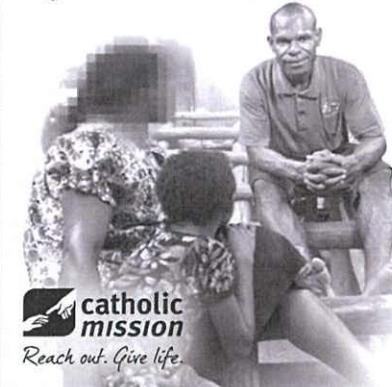
Please take home your new Thanksgiving Envelopes this weekend. Help us save on postage, thank you. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Franca or Maree (Parish Office)

**Altar Server training** will be held on Thursday 26th October 2016 at 6.30pm at Auditorium. All Altar Servers, NEW and OLD are welcome to attend, along with their parents. See you there ....Deacon George.

#### Rosters for next Weekend 29th-30th October 2016

	6pm	8.30am	10.30am	5.30pm
<b>Readers</b>	Janet Murray Francis Richard	Elisapeta Luamanu Hannie Talora	Elizabeth Lam Sam Pamela Spink	Roshan Illiparabil Michelle Tordillo
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Florence Holligan Pam Hickman Margaret Simmons	Fay Gubbels Gerry Netto Ulalia Niupuluso	Robert Commaraswamy Orito Awo Samaria Nepa	Marilyn Meyer Marie Michel Neville Thomas

## Lord, make me an instrument of your peace



Through its partnership with Mercy Works, Catholic Mission supports community leaders like Steven Dude in Papua New Guinea to engage with their communities and be instrument of peace, so they can find consolation, understanding and love, and heal the wounds caused by domestic violence and broken relationships. By supporting the Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal today, or by partnering with us through your monthly gift, you are helping community leaders in Papua New Guinea receive training so they can advocate for their communities and allow them to find peace through mercy.

Freecall: 1800 257 296  
catholicmission.org.au/PNG

### If we all started the day off singing just imagine how much happier the world would be.

Join us for this fun SING-A-LONG workshop, learn a new song or join in with some favourite oldies. No experience necessary, just a willingness to enjoy this time for you and to make new friends. We welcome all skill levels and none.

**When:** 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the Month (28 October) Time: 1.30pm – 2.30pm (followed by a cuppa)  
**Where:** The Open Door 110 Ann Street, Dandenong  
**Suggested Donation:** Gold coin Led by: Josephine Carroll SSJG  
**For more details call Trish 9791 8664**



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### Parish Calender 2016

25th October	Spiritual Reflection Group-Mysteries of the Rosary Outreach/Visitation Meeting—7pm
26th October	Altar Server Training—6.30pm
29th October	Archbishop Hart Visit
31st October	Cup Eve Ball
6th November	Stewardship Program
10th November	Mass of Remembrance
19-20 November	First Communion
23rd November	Parish Pastoral Council
8th December	Seniors Christmas Lunch Classical Music & Prayer Reflection –7pm
20th December	Reconciliation Service 7pm
24th December	Christmas Eve—Family Mass 7pm and Midnight
25th December	Christmas Day—8.30am and 10.30am

### The Regulars

**Daily Rosary:** After morning Mass (except Sunday)  
**Tuesdays:** Centering prayer meditation at The Open Door, 7pm  
**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

### This weekend we pray for

#### Recently Deceased :

**Anniversaries:** Francis Xavier Pavia, Vincent & Melina Roberts, Hamilton, Romeo & Charlie Roberts, Hope Frantz, Kevin Kiel, Anthony Warwick Johnston

**Sick:** Sharon Rozario, Jeff Fisher, Ryan Robinson, Col Cormick, David Morrison, Tyrone De Silva, Margaret Deegan, Jenny Stivic, Ruth Caia, Michael Kelly, Kim, Daren Vukmirovic, Eva Macasinag, Bernadine Anthony, Melissa Warren, Ian Newberry, Eileen Winfield, Dawn Fredricks, Hayley Pearson, Graeme Newberry, Faye Cronin

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#### Collections for last weekend...

Thanksgiving: \$ 1240.20  
Presbytery: \$ 464.90  
Loose money: \$ 931.85

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.

Please inform the Parish Office on 9791-4611 if a sick person is seriously ill, homebound or hospitalised and wants to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Anointing.

