



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 Gottliebse
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-3.00pm

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. During school holidays, 9.00am in Parish office meeting room.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9.00am (Parish office meeting room)

Thursday: 11.00am (Cardinal Knox)

Friday: 11.00 am (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.
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

A relative wrote to me a while ago hoping to re-establish our relationship after years of no contact. My relative's persistence reminds me of Jesus' teaching on prayer.

Jesus teaches us to approach God with gentle persistence by calling God "Dad", (Jesus addressed God as Abba, Aramaic for "Dad" in our modern day language), praising God, seeking to live God's reign, asking to forgive as we have forgiven, and to be freed from the final test. Ever the good parent, God gives us good things, even when they are not what we asked to receive. Jesus revealed God's persistent love for us. How persistent are we to see, know and live that love through the regular communication of prayer?
Fr. D

Southern Cross Care, Dandenong Aged Care Home
Open Days - 82 McCrae Street, Dandenong
Inspect our state of the art home at the upcoming Open Days:
Sunday, 24th July 2pm-4pm
Wednesday 27th July 5.30pm-7.30pm
Sunday 31st July 2pm-4pm

Lucky Numbers- Fundraiser for Church Refurbishment
At all masses this weekend 23rd and 24th July.
\$2.00 per number chance to win \$100.00.
Please support your Parish.

During all masses we have for sale handmade rosary beads by the Sisters of Sacred Heart from South Sudan at a cost of only \$10.00

Luke's Gospel Workshop:
Join us as we follow Tom Wright's book 'Luke for Everyone' To read the gospel and discuss it's meaning and how it affects us in our everyday lives.

When: 1st Monday of the month (1 August) 4.30-5.30pm
Where: The Open Door 110 Ann Street, Dandenong

Suggested donation: gold coin For more details Ph: Trish or Jo 9791 8664 or E:theopendoor@ssjg.org.au

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN is inviting you to join a **FELLOWSHIP DAY** on **Friday, 29th July 2016** at St Michael's & St Luke's Church, 1472-1478 Heatherton Road, North Dandenong. Event will start with Morning Tea at 10am followed by Service at 10.30am. The speaker for the day is Revd Anne Kennedy (Past president of Australian Church Women) with theme: CHANGE STARTS FROM WITHIN. All are welcome

MASS WITH PAPAL MISSIONARY OF MERCY FR RICHARD SHORTALL SJ
Saturday 30 July 5.30pm at St Mary of the Cross Mackillop, 47 Farmhouse Boulevard, Epping North
Sunday 31 July 9am and 10.30am at St Peter's, 13 Davison Street, Epping
Fr Richard Shortall SJ is one of two Missionaries of Mercy for the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy in Australia. Fr Shortall travels around the diocese of Maitland-Newcastle in a second hand motor home, visiting rural parishes that have no resident priest. At all of his Masses with us in Victoria he will be speaking about the Mercy of God. All welcome!

ACU SHORT COURSE ON 'INTER-FAITH PERSPECTIVES ON MERCY'
3, 10, 17 and 24 August, 6-8pm - Christ Lecture Theatre, Australian Catholic University (ACU), 115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy
Pope Francis has proclaimed 2016 as the Year of Mercy. Within this context, ACU explores mercy from the perspective of Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism, with experts from the ACU School of Theology. ACU invites registrations for this upcoming Short Course, which is open to the public. **Cost:** \$80 for those requiring a Certificate of Attendance. \$40 for attendance only. Alternative methods of payment are available.
Registration: <http://www.acu.edu.au/theology/shortcourses>
Click on the 'Melbourne' page. Registration is essential by 1 August.

DANDENONG DEANERY COUNCIL DINNER PROGRAM FOR 2016

"Listening To: The Voices That Echo the Glory of God through Prayer and Mercy"

DATE: Thursday 4th Aug 2016

VENUE: Graduate's Restaurant, St John's Regional College, Caroline Street, Dandenong

START: 6.30pm for 6.45pm start

COST: \$35.00 (single) or \$65.00 (double).

3 course meal wine & Beer.

GUEST SPEAKER: Fr Terry Kean (Mission & Mercy)

RSVP: By Friday 29th July 2016

Mail to: Dandenong Deanery C/- 90 Buckley Street, Noble Park Vic 3174

Phone Paddy 0422 296 961 or e-mail: dandenongdeanery@live.com.au

Welcome **NATALIE** who is being baptised this Sunday. Please pray for her and her family.



2016

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

*****Important Notices*****

Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays will now be at 9am
Readings for 7th to 28th August will on the back wall of the Auditorium

The Regulars

Daily Rosary: After morning Mass (except Sunday)

Tuesdays: Centering prayer meditation at The Open Door, 7pm

1st Sunday: Hospitality Sunday ~Cuppa's (Not until further notice)

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: Patricia Stephens, David Kelly, Leslie Perera, Cherubina Taraborelli

Sick: Sharon Rozario, Jeff Fisher, Shelley Campbell, Ryan Robinson, 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, Ian Newberry

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

***** Collections for last weekend... *****

Thanksgiving: \$ 1,457.50
Presbytery: \$ 482.30
Loose money: \$ 1,038.75

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.

***** 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

Parish Calendar 2016

19 July & 26 July	Mercy Reflection Group
4 August	Deanery Dinner
10 August	Parish Pastoral Council
23 August	Musicians Meeting
25 August	First Reconciliation
1 September	Outreach Meeting
7 September	Catechetics Commence First Communion
31 October	Cup Eve Ball
12-13 November	First Communion
19-20 November	First Communion
23 November	Parish Pastoral Council