



St Mary's Parish

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"The Parish of Saint Mary's is committed to the safety, well being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults".

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

PARISH PRIEST: Fr. Brendan Lane
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: Mr. Miguel Matamala
CATECHETICS CO-ORDINATOR: Ms Marilyn Cuddihy

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday : 9.00am-3.00pm

New Parishioners Book: If you are a new parishioner to St Mary's, could you please sign our Parishioners Book in the church foyer.

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.

WEEKEND MASS TIME

Saturday Morning: 9.15am

Saturday Evening: 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am and 5.30pm

WEEK DAY MASS TIME

Monday: 9.15am

Tuesday: 9.15am (11am Cardinal Knox)

Wednesday: 9.15am

Thursday: 9.15am (11.00am Cardinal Knox)

Friday: 9.15am (9.45am -12.30pm Followed by Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, concluding with Benediction at 12.30pm)

Last Friday of every month 9.15 am **Anointing Mass**

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after 9.15am Mass and 5pm to 5.45pm before 6pm Mass or upon request

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. Brendan.

St. Mary's Primary School Phone: 9791 7650
New St, Dandenong.

Principal: Terry Gardiner

St. John's Regional College Phone 9791 3366
Caroline St, Dandenong.

Principal: Timothy Hogan

St. Mary's Community Centre 9792 4884

New St, Dandenong: Download brochure from www.stmarysdandenong.org



From the desk of the Parish Priest

Dear parishioners,

Thankyou to all who made our Easter ceremonies such wonderful celebrations. The choirs, the readers, the servers, the florists, the sacristans, the secretaries, the collectors, the cleaners, and all who attended in faith. We came to remember our Lord's Passion and death and celebrate His resurrection. We gave thanks for the gift of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday and the footwashing gave us an example of loving service that Jesus calls us to. All this is meant to stir up love for God in each of us, as we remember and recall and make present again in a sacramental way what Jesus did for us.

There is a film called "Paul Apostle of Christ" in theatres now. It is about Luke's account of the life of St. Paul. It is supposed to be very good. Paul was a great writer about the power of the Cross and Resurrection of Jesus. The Catholic actor who plays St. Luke is Jim Caviezel who played Jesus in "The Passion of the Christ". He said he chooses films to be in that can "Bring most souls back to God". When he was on the cross in the Passion of the Christ, he heard the message, "they don't love me. They are very few". He said to God, "well I am going to love You and I'm going to tell You that I love You. Tell it publically, I don't care. I'm less afraid of ISIS than I am of the media".

He tells young people to set themselves apart from this "corrupt generation" and "be saints". "You weren't made to fit in. You were made to stand out". "Every generation needs to know that freedom exists, not to do what you like, but having the right to do what you ought". Referring to the bravery of St. Paul, "I want you to have the courage to step into this pagan world and shamelessly to express your faith in public. But you first must make the commitment to pray to fast, to meditate on the Scriptures and to take the holy sacraments seriously."

Father Brendan

Catechetics Classes for the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist

Classes will commence on Wednesday 30th May at 4pm in Parish Centre. Enrolment forms available in Parish Office.



Vinnies Piety Stall

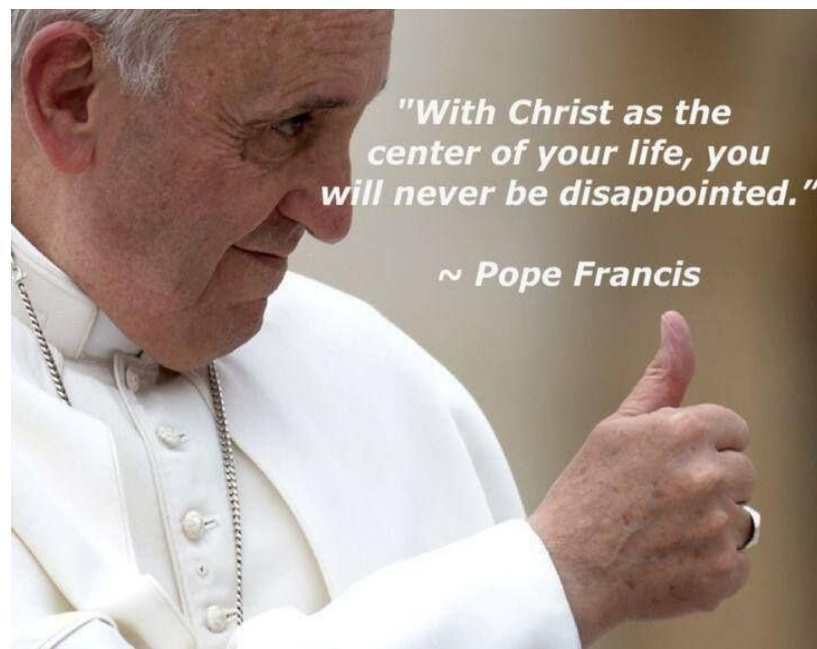
The Vinnies Piety Stall is looking for anyone interested in giving a bit of their time before and after Mass selling our range of gifts. No experience required and good for the resume!
Please call Justin on 0413 961 816.

Volunteers Wanted St Marys Parish Bingo

St Marys Bingo is one of our Parish's important fund raising projects for our parish. We are urgently needing volunteers to assist with the running of weekly Bingo sessions. (No experience necessary)

Bingo times - Tuesday Afternoon, Tuesday Evening and Saturday Evening. Please contact either Jim Houlahan Ph 0425 789 455 or Fr Brendan 9791 4611 if you can assist.

Please return Project Compassion boxes at Easter so that money can be sent to the needy of the world.



**Thursday 24th May in the Community Centre.
Please keep this date free.**

PARISH CALENDAR 2018

Date	Event
10th April	Baptism Meeting
9th May	Parish Council
13th May	Mother's Day
15th May	Baptism Meeting
23rd May	Confirmation
24th May	Biggest Morning Tea
12th June	Baptism Meeting
20th June	Parish Council

The Regulars

Daily Rosary: After morning Mass (except Sunday)
Mondays: **Monday Morning Helpers Group**
Tuesdays: Centering prayer meditation at The Open Door, 7pm
3rd Wednesday: **Friendship Club** lunch at Dandenong RSL
1st Sunday: **Hospitality Sunday ~Cuppa's** (Commencing February)
3rd Sunday: **Presentation of Baptism candidates** at 10.30am Mass
Youth Group after 5.30 Mass
Baptism at 10.30 Mass
4th Sunday:

*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: Roza Paternoster, Naomi Heiden, Merlyn Marie Hutt.

Anniversaries: Claude Ransley, Stanislaw & Jan Deszcz, Kathryn Pereira

Sick: Bernadine Anthony, Melissa Warren, Hayley Pearson, Faye Cronin, Michael Kelly, Lemisio Nepa, Rosa Maria Santos, Mohammed Zohan, Kosmas Stefanidis, Janet Murray, Max Warner, Brian, Lorraine Wishart, Joyce Pieris, Michael Pieris, Bella Allan, Ushan, Henry Bangkal, Lili Tsim, Fleur Armstrong, Lidia Longo, Jim Wade, Venessa Lawrence, Jenny, Makerita Niu-pulusuleo, Norma Gray, Don Cantwell, Rita Sly, George Heldt, Gwen Grubb, Leti Luki, Long Phan

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: \$ 2063.20

Presbytery: \$ 519.85

Loose money: \$ 3639.60

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 Brendan 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.

OUTREACH MEETING

The next Outreach Meeting will be held at Southern Cross Aged Care in McCrae Street on Thursday 26th April at 2.00pm.