



# 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:** 9.00am

**Saturday Evening:** 6.00pm

**Sunday:** 8.30am, 10.30am and 5.30pm

### WEEK DAY MASS TIME

**Monday:** 9.00am (Word and Communion)

**Tuesday:** 9.00am (Except during School Terms mass will be 9.15am)

**Wednesday, Thursday:** 9.00am

**Thursday:** 11.00am (Cardinal Knox)

**Friday:** 11.00am (Followed by Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 3.00pm(Benediction))

(Last Friday of every month **Anointing Mass**)

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday after 9am 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:** Mr. Greg White

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

**Principal:** Timothy Hogan

**St. Mary's Community Centre** 9792 4884



## From the desk of the Parish Priest Fr Brendan

Dear Parishioners,

It is a great honour to be appointed as parish priest of the historic parish of St Mary's Dandenong. I hope to be able to build on the work of the generations of priests who have preceded me.

Especially, I am grateful to Fr. Declan for overseeing the beautiful refurbishment of the Church. We have a Church which can really enhance our celebrations of the mass. Thankyou Fr. Declan for this, and all your efforts over the past eight years to build up the Kingdom of God in Dandenong.

St. Francis of Assisi realised, after he had restored the Church building that he had to build up the faith of the Church, the People of God. We all have a part to play in doing the same today, through our prayer, our works and service of God and each other.

Our Church constantly needs renewal and there is plenty to do.

I have spent most of my priesthood in the South Eastern suburbs. I have been at Glenhuntly, Cheltenham & Hampton Park, and now I come to the centre of the South East—Dandenong. In many ways, it is like coming home.

So I look forward to meeting you, serving you and sharing our journeys of life together.

God bless you all,

Fr. Brendan

### Parish Calendar 2017

26th Sept	Outreach Meeting 4pm
9th October	Information night 1st Communion
10th October	Baptism Meeting
16th October	Reflection Day 1st Communion
24th October	Outreach Meeting
25th October	Parish Council Meeting
6th November	Cup Eve Dinner Dance
21st November	Memorial Mass
24th November	Christmas Market
25th & 26th November	1st Communion
2nd December	1st Reconciliation
8th December	Consecration of Church 7.30pm

Dear Parishoners of Saint Mary's, Dandenong

Just a quick note to thank you for the lovely send off you honoured me with last Sunday. Your farewell gifts are very much appreciated (Nespresso Coffee Machine, \$2,000 Dollar Gift voucher and a new Ipad Pro). I am very humbled by the fact that you have named the fellowship room in my memory.

I wish you a fond fare-well and will be forever thankful to the Lord for your influence and witness in my life.

Let us continue to pray for each other.

Father Daniel Declan O'Brien

### Knights of the Southern Cross Archbishop's Dinner for the Priests Support and Education Fund- September 15, 2017

Over 350 people were at Moonee Valley Racecourse for the annual KSC Archbishop's Dinner, which raises money every year for the education of seminarians of the four Victorian dioceses and the Military Ordinariate of Australia. Hosted by the KSC, this year's Dinner raised \$65,000 for the seminarians, taking the overall total to over \$1,116,000 raised since 1999. The highlights of the Dinner were the speech given by Dr Susan Stevens, Principal of Loreto Mandeville Hall Toorak, and the humorous open auction conducted by comedian John Canavan. KSC Dandenong North Branch again played a big part in the Dinner, providing the Chairman and Secretary of the Organising Committee, and many others in attendance helping out on the night. The KSC hopes that St Mary's parishioners will express interest in attending next year's Dinner.



## 100 Years of Fatima

Please join the Public Square Rosary. As we all know, Australia is in need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We must ask God's merciful blessing upon Australia through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Fatima.

Please join us in praying for our nation on Saturday, 14th October, 2017 at 9.30 am . The local Public Square Rosary will take place at the Grotto, St Mary's Church.

**Tickets for Cup Eve Dinner Dance on 6th November are for sale from this weekend in the Fellowship Room in the Church after each mass. Tickets are \$40.00 each.**

## 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** (Commencing February)
- 3rd Sunday:** **Presentation of Baptism candidates** at 10.30am Mass  
**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:** Paul & Anna Nguyen, Antonio, Agatha, Carmine and Giustina Miranda, Ron Sly, Douglas Gonsalves, Anthonia Ammal, Faata Lolina Aiono.

**Sick:** Bernadine Anthony, Melissa Warren, Hayley Pearson, Faye Cronin, Michael Kelly, Lemisio Nepa, Rosa Maria Santos, Mohammed Zohan, Kosmas Stefanidis, Janet Murray, Max Warner, Gordon Fonceca, Brian, Lorraine Wishart, Agapi Nicolaou, Joyce Pieris, Michael Pieris, Bella Allan, Ushan, Henry Bangkal, Lilly Tsim, Fleur Armstrong

*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: \$ 2135.00

Presbytery: \$ 517.25

Loose money: \$ 1390.70

*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.*

**March for Babies** Come together in solidarity to March for the Unborn. This is the ninth year since the dreaded legislation was introduced in Victoria. Our goal is to overturn this law and provide full legal protection to our most vulnerable Victorians. Please join us, as we march in this peaceful witness to life, from Treasury Gardens to Parliament House, and hear inspirational speakers and music with a message of courage and hope. A bus will leave from St Gerard's North Dandenong, 71 Gladstone Road at 11:30am on 7<sup>th</sup> October. Cost \$10 contact Susan 97950011 to book.

"The Missionary sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Fair on Saturday 14th October 9am-3pm at 154 Cotham Road, Kew. This year the proceeds will go to assist Sr Almaz Leza working in Taza Catholic Health Centre, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia for financial aid to purchase emergency nutritional food for drought and famine affected people. Enquiries Phone: 9817 3715."