



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 Ferraro
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

Tuesday: 9.00am (Except during School Terms mass will be 9.15am)
11.00am (Cardinal Knox)

Wednesday: 9.00am

Thursday: 9.00am
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

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



From the desk of the Parish Priest Fr Brendan

Dear Parishioners,

Thanks to all who contributed to the wonderful farewell to Fr. Tony Guelen, by your attendance, prayer and support to his family. Thanks to those who provided hospitality, and those who ushered, or helped with car parking, and our secretaries who did so much work. Thanks to our choirs and servers. It was a team effort and a fitting celebration of the life of Fr. Guelen, a time to mourn his passing, and a time to pray for him. We have much to be grateful for through the life and work of Fr. Tony here in Dandenong.

But life moves on so quickly. All Saints Day and All Souls Day are behind us, and now we have the great secular feast of the Melbourne Cup, and for many, a long, long weekend. Soon it will be Advent and Christmas.

But the death of Fr. Tony gives us a moment to reflect on the temporary nature of this life, and that it is a preparation for eternal life. By word and example Fr. Tony showed us that. He devoted his considerable talents to our well-being, both spiritual and temporal. So as we get ready to enjoy a horse race, we remember we are in the race of life. As St. Paul says in the evening of his life, "I have fought the good fight to the end, I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith. All there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day". 2 Tim. 4:7-8

May Fr. Tony Guelen rest in peace.

Fr. Brendan

Parish Calendar 2017

6th November	Cup Eve Dinner Dance
8th November	Parish Council Meeting
9th November	Information night 1st Communion
21st November	Memorial Mass
22nd November	Film on Saint Bakhita
24th November	Christmas Market
25th & 26th November	1st Communion
2nd December	1st Reconciliation
8th December	Consecration of Church 7.30pm

Film on the life of Saint Bakhita

The parish will be showing the film on the life of Saint Bakhita on Wednesday, 22nd November at 2 sessions: 1-4pm and 6-9pm. A relic of Saint Bakhita will be placed in our altar at the consecration of the altar in December. This is a good chance for us to see what a wonderful servant of God Bakhita was. This weekend, we have sign-up sheets for the session you wish to attend.



Twilight Christmas Market

5.30-10.00p.m

On Friday 24th November we are holding a twilight Christmas Market in the Parish Community Centre at 5.30 pm. There will be carols and food available. Any parishioner who would like to have a table and sell their Christmas/crafts please book a table with the parish office \$10 per table.

Also any choir or group who would like to sing carols please let us know at the office and we will give you a time table.



MUSICIANS

If any parishioner or group are interested in performing Christmas Carols at the Twilight Christmas Market, please contact the parish office for a time bracket.

November Memorial Book

If you would like your loved ones remembered in the November masses please write their names in the Memorial Book on the table in the foyer.



Stay for a cuppa today after 8.30 and 10.30

Masses



NOVEMBER MASSES

November is a special time to pray for the dead. We read in the book of Maccabee that "It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins". There are envelopes available for having masses said for deceased relatives and friends, and for those who have no one to pray for them.

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
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:

Anniversaries: Cyril Dragwidge, Pasquale, Mariangela, Giovanni & Giuseppina Isabella, Teodoro & Diamante Ricci, Andrew, Ane & Joseph Manh Nguyen.

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, Agapi Nicolaou, Joyce Pieris, Michael Pieris, Bella Allan, Ushan, Henry Bangkal, Lilly Tsim, Fleur Armstrong, Lidia Longo, Jim Wade, Venessa Lawrence, Jenny. Makerita Niupulusuleo

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: \$ 2244.20

Presbytery: \$ 509.75

Loose money: \$ 1506.75

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 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.

Monday Mass

Sometimes there will be a priest available for mass on Monday. Check with the mass timetable .