



# 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 Fol-

lowed 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,

This weekend we celebrate the feast of the Holy Trinity. It is really the feast of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit—three persons equal in all things, but one God. What a mystery. But we know that God is a God of love. The Father and the Son share infinite love for each other and that love is the Holy Spirit. We have the lover, the beloved and the love. We are made in the image of God—to give and receive and return love. When we do this we experience a new spirit with the other. That is what we are made for.

One of the ironies of modern society, is that many want to live without this loving God. They want to be free of God, so that they can do whatever they like. Our loving God has shown us a way to live because He loves us. When we go away from the way of God, we end up in a mess. Recently, 10 people were shot in a Santa Fe Texas school, and people have been asking, "What has gone wrong with our country?" There is a realisation that it is not about gun control, but about the people who fire guns.

When we throw God out of our lives and out of our society, we can also throw out the beautiful morality He teaches us for our protection.

Recently, politicians have banned religious lessons in State schools. They have enacted laws which give people the right to choose to kill (no such right exists). If this is okay, how can we say it is wrong for a gunman or a terrorist to choose to kill innocent people? As well, if we have the right to choose to kill, then what is wrong with the lesser crime of stealing? Once God goes, the logic behind our laws goes too. We have crossed a line.

So, on this Trinity Sunday, let us pray for God to make a return in the lives of people who have tried to live without Him. It has not brought joy and happiness. We find these things when we share in the embrace of our loving God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

God bless you all,

Fr. Brendan

### Car Parking for Weekend Masses

All parishioners are reminded that cars can only be parked in the allotted car parking spaces. It is illegal and unsafe to park anywhere else.

There is plenty of street parking on the weekends should the car park be full.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## PARISH CALENDAR 2018

Date	Event
12th June	Baptism Meeting 7pm
13th June	Confirmation
20th June	Parish Council 7.30pm
6th July	Anointing Mass
10th July	Baptism Meeting 7pm

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

If you belong to one of the following groups then you need to read the document, "Parish Community Child Safety Code of Conduct" and sign your name. This is in accordance with the **Victorian Government's Ministerial Order No.870** and defines expectations of staff and those in our parish community who may at times act as volunteers.

Parish Staff  
Parish Council  
Readers  
Eucharistic Ministers  
Sacristans  
Leaders of Children's Liturgy  
Music Ministry  
Outreach Group  
Communion to the Sick  
Youth Group  
St. Vinnies  
Piety Stall

Document folders will be kept in the parish office and the sacristy. Please make sure you read the document and sign as soon as possible.

**Welcome baby Kurt who is being baptised this Sunday. Please pray for him and his family.**



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

### Biggest Morning Tea

A big thank you to those who donated their time or brought food for the morning tea. We raised \$1012.55 for the Cancer Council.

### CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY APPEAL

Last weekend, we conducted the annual Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. There was a special collection in all parishes for the purpose of supporting the vital work of our Catholic Chaplains.

The focus for 2018 is prison chaplaincy.

Within the prison system and across the broader community, Chaplains also advocate for alternatives to incarceration and promote the development and understanding of Restorative justice.

Thank you to those who have donated to this important Appeal. For those who still wish to donate, you can return the envelope with your donation to the parish in the coming weeks or send it directly to the Archdiocese. Alternatively you can contact the Office of Philanthropy to make a donation by phone on 9926 5731.

The presence of Catholic Chaplains is a crucial witness to our faith, a crucial dimension of our service of love, and a vital testimony to the value of life in all its stages.

**If you would like further information please contact the Office of Philanthropy: 9926 5731**

**Donations raised each year are directed towards supporting Chaplains who work with:**

- Those who are in custody in prisons
- Young people in youth justice facilities
- Patients and their families in public hospitals
- People living with HIV/AIDS
- Seafarers.

### The Regulars

After morning Mass (except Sunday)

**Monday Morning Helpers Group**

Centering prayer meditation at The Open Door, 7pm

**Friendship Club**

lunch at Dandenong RSL

**Hospitality Sunday ~Cuppa's**

(Commencing February)

**Presentation of Baptism candidates**

at 10.30am Mass

**Youth Group** after 5.30 Mass

**Baptism at 10.30 Mass**

**Daily Rosary:**

**Mondays:**

**Tuesdays:**

**3rd Wednesday:**

**1st Sunday:**

**3rd Sunday:**

**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:** Margaret Dunlevey, Eileen Fernando, Ronald Ernest Hatten, Auselin Almeida

**Anniversaries:** Baldassare & Maddelena Caron, Giovanni Donazzan, Luke Simonetti, Princy Pavia, Jacqueline Netto, Maria Auteri, Milton Collins, Gratton Perera

**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, Makerita Niupulusuleo, Norma Gray, Don Cantwell, Rita Sly, Leti Luki, Long Phan, Cheryl Barthelot, Peter Hendricks

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

*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.*

## Collections

**Weekly** Thanksgiving: \$ 1710.00  
Presbytery: \$ 305.35  
Loose: \$ 1407.65



### RUAH: PARISH RENEWAL DAY

**Saturday 16 June, 10am-3pm**

**Catholic Leadership Centre, Corner Victoria Parade and Hoddle Street, East Melbourne**

The Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation invites parish leaders and volunteers to its annual parish renewal day, offering various workshops focused on enlivening and enriching core parish ministries such as liturgy, music, social justice, RCIA, youth, parish pastoral councils and hospitality. The theme for Ruah is 'Breathing new life into parish ministries.'

**Details and registration:** Suzanne Hermon on 9926 5761 or [evangelisation@cam.org.au](mailto:evangelisation@cam.org.au)