



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.*

*If you are going to
Hospital and would like
to be anointed please
call Fr Declan
9791 4611*



RECONCILIATION

After the 9.30 am mass
Saturday Mornings ,
5pm to 5.45pm Saturday
(before 6pm Mass) or
upon request.



2016

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

DEC 8, 2015—NOV 20, 2016



From the desk of the Parish Priest Fr Declan

Like other priests, I've participated in wedding planning and have listened to brides and grooms—and their anxious parents—worry about making sure the celebration at church and the reception afterwards expresses the joy and importance of the occasion. And I suspect many of them will no doubt identify with today's Gospel story, the wedding feast of Cana.

We all know the story about how the wine was running out, and how Jesus' mother took the problem to him. The miracle of the water becoming wine—and good wine at that—is a charming story, to be sure. But there's a deeper dimension.

The Gospel according to John is a story of revelation: In its opening words the Gospel tells us about the Word Made Flesh. God has come among us in the person of Jesus Christ. The stories and sayings of Jesus which follow are written to allow us to encounter Jesus as the One come from God. Jesus is revealing his glory to those who would accept him.

And it's appropriate that the beginning of Jesus' signs, as John describes this event at Cana, happens in the very human setting of a wedding, a celebration of human life, joy, and the goodness of God's creation. To find God present, we need only to look for the signs of divinity which are present all around us.

NEW ROSTERS

Until new rosters are completed, would you please sign up at mass you are attending if you are able to assist as either reader or Eucharistic minister.

Thank you

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

During Dec/Jan holidays, the Parish Office will be open 9am-12noon only from Tues 29th Dec to Fri 22nd Jan.

If you urgently need a priest, please leave a message on 9791 4611 and Father will call you back.

PARISH PRIEST:
Fr. Declan O'Brien
DEACON:
Rev. George Piech Meat
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:
TBA
PARISH SECRETARIES:
Franca Van Boxtel
Maree Walker
FINANCE OFFICER:
Mr. Geoff Harkin
GARDENER/CARETAKER:
Mr. Kevin McLaren
CENTRE MANAGER:
Ms Sue Findlay

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Friday : 9.00am-3.00pm

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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

Note over January we may revert to Word & Communion services.

Monday: 9.15am - St Mary's School Auditorium during school terms.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9.30am (Parish office meeting room)
Thursday: 11.00am (Cardinal Knox)
Friday: 9.30 am (Word and Communion Service in the Parish office meeting room)
Saturday morning: 9.30am (Parish office meeting room)

RECONCILIATION:

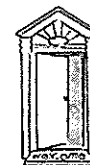
After the 9.30am Mass Saturday morning, before 6pm Mass or upon request..

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. O'Brien.

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



The Open Door

Our workshops re-commence on Wednesday 27th January 2016. We invite you to join us for some time for yourself to enjoy:

- Meditations: Awareness/Centering Prayer/Guided Imagery
- Sewing Circle
- Art of Soul
- Tai Chi
- Book Club
- Writing for Fun
- Luke's Gospel
- Creative Cooking
- 'Talks on' Spirituality
- Plus many more

Call either Trish or Jo on 9791 8664 for more information.
110 Ann Street, Dandenong 3175

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WORD AND COMMUNION SERVICE TUESDAY

As Father Declan is away Monday and Tuesday this week, there will be no Mass on Tuesday. A Word and Communion Service will be held instead.

MASS DURING THE JANUARY HOLIDAYS:

Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 8.30am, 10.30am, 5.30pm

Monday:	Word and Communion Service	9.30am
Tuesday:	Word and Communion Service	9.30am
Wednesday, Thursday:	Mass	9.30am
Thursday:	Mass at Cardinal Knox Centre	11.00am
Friday:	Word and Communion Service	9.30am
Saturday:	Mass	9.30am

Tuesday 26th January Mass — Parish Centre 9.30am
Australia Day

Word and Communion Service may replace weekday Masses occasionally.

The Regulars

Daily Rosary: After morning Mass (except Sunday)
Tuesdays: Centering prayer meditation at The Open Door, 7pm
2nd Wednesday: CanCare at Endeavour Hills**
3rd Wednesday: Friendship Club lunch at Dandenong RSL
1st Sunday: Hospitality Sunday ~Cuppa's
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

** CanCare sponsored by St Paul Apostle Parish Endeavour Hills it is led by cancer survivors, and its members are all people who have been touched by cancer. All who have been touched by cancer are welcome. You don't have to be Catholic. Meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7.30pm at St Paul Apostle Parish Endeavour Hills Parish Centre. For more information call 97003781 during office hours.

This weekend we pray for

Recently Deceased :

Anniversaries: Teresa Jackson

Sick: Sharon Rozario, Jeff Fisher, Shelley Campbell, Ryan Robinson, Anthony Tan, Col Cormick, David Morrison, Tyrone De Silva, Margaret Deegan, Jenny Stivic, Ruth Caia, Michael Kelly, Kim, Faye Waring, Daren Vukmirovic, Desmond Hopper, Eva Macasinag, Josephine Thomas

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Collections for last weekend...

Presbytery: \$1106
Thanksgiving: \$1204

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.

