

Rosters for This Week 7th and 8th of March 2020

Counting Team No. 7	Mary Ward, Jean McCutcheon, Greg Morgan
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.30pm Larry Rigoni, Maria Laudato 8.30am Ivonne Cram, Mary Debenham 10.30am Alison Silke
Mass Readers	6.30pm Daniel Corcoran 8.30am Stephen Littleton 10.30am Anne Cooper
Children's Liturgy	8.30am No Children's Liturgy—Labour Day Long Weekend 10.30am No Children's Liturgy—Grade 3 Family Mass

Rosters for Next Week 14th & 15th March

Counting Team No. 8	Tracey Gregg, Leanne Spiteri, Rinna Sy
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.30pm Mary Soppitt, Gail Tull 8.30am Stephen Littleton, Doreen Mitchell 10.30am Di Collins
Mass Readers	6.30pm Evol Farrelly 8.30am Christal Augustin 10.30am Kate Arnold
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Mariza O'Keefe, Rachael Kisvarda 10.30am Michelle Northeast

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for, Leo O'Brien, Haizil Joseph, Santhi Komatineni, Barrie Poulton, Bridget Walsh, Cathryn Walsh.

RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES



We pray for Gilbert Augustin who passed away recently and Fr. Joe Micallef, Giovanni Trifilo, Roger Dawson, Herbert Augustin, Frederick Lazarus, Kevin Hynes, Maria Guastalegname, Mary Lewis Joyce Rudd, Sheila Webster, Silvana Rossi, Blaze Phillips-Mitchell, Carmel Harrison, Brian Mitchell, Dennis Vanstone, Chiara Lubich, Mike Linehan, Anthony Kennedy, Vittoria Paone, Gwen Sturrock, Sue King, Maria Scabelloni, Hilda Wood, Tanya Pickergill, Margaret Dooley, Daniel Rudd, Mary McLinden, Muriel Bowes, Marjory Cuthbert, Giovanni Raunik, Peter Wentworth, Cynthia Frawley, Nance McRae, Carmelo Pisano, Giuseppina De Bono, Roger Wilson, Cath Wickham, Doris Dean, Serafina Basilone, Eileen Storey, John Day, Vincenzo Timpano, Agnes Lynch, Giuseppe Nardo, Francesco Galle and Immacolata Laudato; whose anniversaries are at this time.

THURSDAYS DURING LENT—St Joseph's by the sea

For Thursdays in Lent, from 7.30pm to 8.30 pm there will a Lenten Reflection offered. "The Christian Foundation for the Care of Creation" is the general theme for the reflections. (Based on writings of Pope Francis in "Laudato Si") The second session will be on 12th March. The topic : "A spiritual reading of Ecology" [St Joseph's By The Sea, 16 Esplanade Williamstown, 9397 6012 admin.sjbtsw@sosj.org.au](mailto:admin.sjbtsw@sosj.org.au)

PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen. Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.



St Mary's Parish



A community where we bring together our gifts and talents

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8th March, 2020

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Thursday 8:30am - 4pm
Friday 8:30am - 4pm

Wednesday Secretary

Kylie Skinner
8.30am—3.30pm

St. Mary's School

Principal
Anthony Hockey

Normal Mass Times

Consult bulletin inside for any changes.
Saturday at 6:30pm
Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am
Tuesday to Friday 9:15am

Reconciliation

Saturday 10:00am

Silent Adoration in Church

2:30pm - 3:30pm
Wednesday

Baptism Preparation Night

Third Thursday monthly
7.00pm at Parish Centre.
Baptism must be booked prior to attending Preparation Night.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A



FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Genesis. 12:1-4

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

SECOND READING:

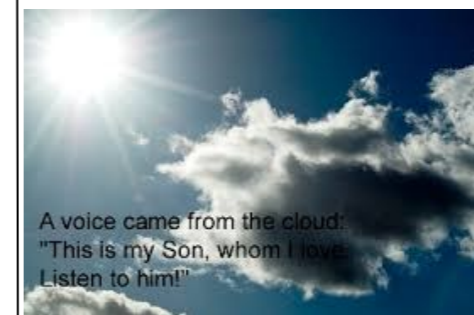
A reading from the letter of Paul to Timothy. 1:8-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW: 17:1-9

After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." while he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Raise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone. As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."



A voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

Sunday 8th March	10.30am Grade 3 Family Mass and presentation of reconciliation
Tuesday 10th March	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church. 7.00pm Reconciliation Evening with Maria Forde for parents and children at St Mary's Hall.
Wednesday 11th March	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Thursday 12th March	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Friday 13th March	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church.

Dear Parishioners

During this Lent I hope you find the message about **'proper fasting'** as a good direction finder for lent as contained below.

On another front the Archbishop was in touch via email last Friday to all his bishops, priests and deacons in the Archdiocese. I contain a shortened form:

'Due to the rapidly changing situation in respect to the threat posed by the novel coronavirus and acting on the advice of the Australian and Victorian Department of Health, the following precautionary measures are to apply across the Archdiocese of Melbourne effective from today, 28th February.

- **Holy Communion:** The distribution of Holy Communion under Both Species is to cease. (I will bring this back as soon as I see fit – Fr Greg) The chalice is not to be shared at any Masses, and is for the celebrant only.
- **Ministers of Communion:** Ensure that all Ministers of the Eucharist, including clergy, sanitize their hands before and after distributing Holy Communion. (I have put a sanitizing gel up on side table at back of altar.)
- The above is the main thing from the Archbishop but if things go from bad to worse over the next few months I suggest as the Archbishop does that we may give a smile or a bow of respect to each other during the 'Rite of Peace' instead of our normal handshake or kiss between partners. I hope it does not get to that stage but you never know with the spread of the virus and we don't want older members of the congregation to get an infection as for the oldest members it could prove fatal. With all that being said I am still optimistic that people both under a certain age and are healthy should not have major concerns. Apparently it is not so bad for children as it is for those older adults.

Yours In 'Christ' Fr Greg 5/3/2020

FIRST ACCLAMATION OF 'MYSTERY OF FAITH' (During Lent, please learn)

**WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH, O LORD,
AND PROFESS YOUR RESURRECTION UNTIL YOU COME AGAIN**



**Second Sunday of Lent
8th March 2020**



Twenty-seven-year-old Phany, lives in a village in western Cambodia. Struggling to earn a living as a farmer, she was forced to leave her daughter behind in the village, to take up construction work in the city. Phany joined the Upholding Community Dignity Together program, where she learnt new farming techniques, such as a drip irrigation system, which enabled her to get a better yield from her vegetable crops and to conserve water in her drought-stricken region. Phany's community also took part in training in health, nutrition, hygiene and disaster preparedness, arming them with better strategies to cope with environmental changes.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help mothers like Phany continue to uplift their communities, and provide food for their families.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Project Compassion

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed **"Go Further Together"**. Your generosity will assist some of the world's most vulnerable communities to lift themselves out of poverty. When we **Go Further Together** in love and compassion, the whole world thrives



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ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, WILLIAMSTOWN Drep Enrolments for 2021



Application forms for enrolment in 2021 will be available at the school office from Monday 3rd February, 2020 until Friday 1st May, 2020
Children who turn 5 years on or before 30th April, 2021 are eligible for enrolment in primary school.
Closing date for applications Friday 1st May, 2020

Ecology-focused Shift in Consciousness

What do we mean by 'The New Cosmology'?

**18th March, 7.30pm-8.30pm
(And each Wednesdays through to November.)**



We invite your participation in conversation, discovery and awakening as we develop our understanding of the new world view, using up to date YouTube clips, readings and other stimulus material.

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DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis



- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from selfishness and be
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from worry and have trust in God.
- Fast from words and be silent
- Fast from complaints and