

## Rosters for weekend 7th & 8th August, 2021

Counting Team No. 1	Frank Jones, Robyn Jones, Kimberley Jones.
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Beata Sicat. 8.30am Evol Farrelly, Mary Debenham. 10.30am Di Collins.
Mass Readers	6.00pm Josie Penna. 8.30am Stephen Littleton. 10.30am Anne Cooper.
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Rachelle Pantalleresco, Rachael Kisvarda.

## Rosters for weekend 14th & 15th August, 2021

Counting Team No. 2	Mary Forster, Marguerite Buckley, Lauren Dittmar.
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Gail Tull, John O'Keefe. 8.30am Ivonne Cram. 10.30am Mimma Cutroni.
Mass Readers	6.00pm Frank Schobben. 8.30am Christal Augustin. 10.30am Jane McLaughlin.
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Jacqueline Pace, Rachel Nardo.



### IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Leo O'Brien, Haizil Joseph, Santhi Komatineni, Kevin Murphy, Sarah Rodgers, Cathy Reid, Assunta Delgrosso.

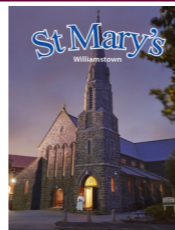
### RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

We pray for Eddie Gauci who died recently and for Brigitta Johnson, Kevin Mahoney, Paul Cassar, Cliff Gibson, Tanya Travers, Val Hall, Fay Barlow, Peter Hoare, Margaret Flood, Les Elias, Keith Tyrrell, Claire Hindle, Nora Shepherd, Charles Axelson, Jack Dowling, Sandra Guilford, Arthur Mangan, Alma Hynes, David Templeton, Mary Blenheim, Jim Railton, John Cassar and Concetta Gercovich, whose anniversaries are at this time.



## ATTENTION!!! Don't Forget to Save Your Seat At Mass

As there is a maximum on the number of Mass attendees, please ensure that you register to book your (free) ticket to Mass. This can be done via our website: [stmaryswilliamstown.org.au](http://stmaryswilliamstown.org.au) under the heading: **SIGN UP TO ATTEND MASS** or by accessing the link: [signupgenius.com/go/stmarys](http://signupgenius.com/go/stmarys)



### PARISH WORKING BEE

SATURDAY 28TH AUGUST - 9AM-11AM

Come along and join us to help clean and tidy up the parish gardens. Even an hour of your time would be greatly appreciated. If possible please bring your own tools.

# St Mary's Parish



*A community where we bring together our gifts and talents*

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8th August, 2021

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### Parish Office Manager-Secretary

Heidi Zahra  
Tuesday 8:30am - 4pm  
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 6:00pm  
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.

Baptism 12:30am Sunday

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

### FIRST READING:

A reading from the first book of Kings. 19:4-8.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord..

### SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians. 4:30, 5:2.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

### GOSPEL: JOHN 6:41-51

The Jews murmured about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets:



**'They shall all be taught by God.'**

Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."



Tuesday 10th August	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Wednesday 11th August	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Thursday 12th August	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Friday 13th August	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church.

Dear Parishioners,  
 Jesus speaks again in the gospel about the importance of having faith in him, as true believers will inherit eternal life. In the meantime, before that occurrence Jesus feeds us with the finest anyone could offer: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live for ever". Not only do we partake of the right spiritual food, this leads us to look after those who experience not only deprivation spiritually but also physically. Many **asylum seekers and refugees** are deprived of the jobs we take for granted and naturally then continue to have difficulties with feeding their families or having the basic necessities. We do at least our little bit here at St Mary's by having the August month set aside to help asylum seekers and refugees. Fortunately, as in the past and this weekend Sr Brigid Arthur from the 'Brigidine Asylum Seeker Project' will fill us in about some of the more recent happenings in our nation in regards the asylum seeker and refugee situations. You will also find on the bulletin the items of tinned foods we need to be brought back for next Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> August or dropped into the St Mary's School during the week if you are able us in our endeavours. Throughout Australia we are celebrating the **Feast of Mary MacKillop** this weekend, especially as her feast day falls on a Sunday for a change. Maybe you know her story or would like some further details as I give a short synopsis of her life. Mary was born in Melbourne in 1842 to Scottish immigrants. After her father made poor business deals, her family fell upon hard times. At fourteen, Mary had to go to work to help provide for her mother and younger siblings. While working as a governess four years later, she met Father Julian Tenison Woods and confessed to him her desire to live for God alone. Six years later after that, she was able to follow that desire and join Father Woods in the founding of a new order to educate the rural poor. Mary took vows and became "Mary of the Cross" and her brother converted a stable for their first school room. Responding to the isolation of colonial families, Mary pioneered a new form of religious life to provide education for their children. The order grew rapidly, and within three years of the founding, there were eighty-two sisters and twenty-three schools. Mary MacKillop and her sisters shared the life of the poor and the itinerant, offering special care to destitute women and children. We are lucky to have Mary of the Cross MacKillop as our first designated Australian saint.

Although the religious order, Faithful Companions of Jesus, came to rescue our Williamstown Catholic School from likelihood of closure due mainly to lack of helpful funds from the Government, they did not have the available sisters to continue their initial support. Luckily, Mary MacKillop's religious sisters came to support the continuation of what is now proudly the longest running school in Victoria: St Mary's Williamstown. Looking back, the Sisters of St Joseph continued their great mission here for 99 years and now we are still graced by several sisters located at 16 Esplanade, next door also at 114 Cole Street and the house Mary MacKillop personally came to purchase at 61 Melbourne Road. It is worth noting that "**The Global Catholic Climate Movement**" is now known as the "Laudato Si Movement". The organisations new name, announced during a livestream last Thursday incorporates the Franciscan phrase "Laudato Si" which is Italian for "praised be to you", and forms the basis of Pope Francis' message in his wonderful 2015 encyclical letter "Laudato Si" ( On Care for Our Common Home) Consequently it is nice to see that beginning on the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, to pray "for our earth" from an environmental perspective and to pray to " set us free from our Covid-19 Pandemic", a few locals including local Josephite Sister, Therese Quinn have set a vigil this week of 'One minute silence each day at 12noon'. All can pray for this and do this in their own homes or at another time that might be more suitable during this week.

If you have a child from grade 3-5 with a possible interest in **altar serving** whether male or female, please look at the item enclosed. The altar serving practise for that will be between 4- 5pm next Sunday in St Mary's Church on August 15<sup>th</sup>

Any loose money that is over \$10 this weekend I will put towards the CatholicCare collection that is supposed to take place this weekend. I have already put \$500 of our Parish money towards this annual collection - so any money you put on the plate over the \$10 will go towards offsetting the \$500 sent this week, otherwise the rest \$10 and under will go to the normal presbytery support. Regarding helping another important cause you might consider ACRATH (Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking) as enclose notice. **Yours 'in Christ' Fr Greg 5/8/21**

## The Annual Way of the West Food and Living Essentials Collection for Refugee and Asylum Seeker Families

**Week 2—Monday 9th August to Sunday 15th August—Tinned Food**



Fish (eg sardines or salmon), Vegetables (tomatoes, corn, peas), Lentils, Chickpeas, Beans (not baked), Tomato Paste, Small Jars of Honey, Long Life Milk.

Please drop items at the St Mary's School office during the school week, or at church on the weekends.

### **URGENT Appeal For Funds**

#### **Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans (ACRATH)**

ACRATH's 2 month fundraising campaign led into 30th July—World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. We are well down on our target and urge you to support ACRATH if possible. If you have already donated, thank you.

This year we have campaigned for funds to continue our Companionship Program supporting women who have been trafficked and their children, and to expand our training, particularly of frontline health workers, to identify trafficked people and know referral pathways.

We know ACRATH's voice is heard in Canberra. Support ACRATH and make the voices louder so that the stories of trafficked women, men and children can be heard.

Direct Deposit

Commonwealth Bank of Australia

ACRATH Public Fund

**BSB 063 111 Account No. 10802141**



Please send an email to [treasurer@acrath.org.au](mailto:treasurer@acrath.org.au) if you make a donation by direct deposit giving name and contact details so that a receipt can be sent.

### **An Invitation to serve your Parish! Come and be an Altar Server.**

All students in Grades 3-5, boys and girls are invited to join the St Mary's altar server's team. New and old faces are invited to attend one training session, which will be held in the Church under the direction of Michael McConville. This will be held on Sunday August 15th from 4pm-5pm. Do not hesitate to ring Fr. Greg on 0400 524 363 for any further clarification. Please complete the below information and return ASAP.

Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact email and phone number of at least one parent: \_\_\_\_\_



### **What's on in August**

**Spirituality Today—Presenter Anmaree Iaccarino**

**19th August, 7.30pm—9.00pm**

The Spirit of the West: Mary MacKillop and the Sisters of St. Joseph in the West of Melbourne

Tracing the footsteps of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and her Sisters in the West

All Donations Welcome