# Rosters for This Week 9th & 10th April—Palm Sunday

Counting Team No. 4	Glenn McKinney, David Jamieson, Bob Paz
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Mary Soppitt, Larry Rigoni 8.30am Jeanette Thompson 10.30am Alison Silke
Mass Readers	6.00pm Josie Penna, Frank Schobben, Tom Christie 8.30am Charles Hili 10.30am Olga Reginato, Anne Cooper

# Rosters for This Week 14th & 15th April—Holy Thursday & Good Friday

Ministers of the Eucharist—	7.00pm To be advised
Holy Thursday	
Mass Readers—	7.00pm Josie Penna, Frank Schobben
Holy Thursday	
Ministers of the Eucharist—	3.00pm To be advised
Ministers of the Eucharist—  Good Friday	3.00pm To be advised
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# Rosters for Next Week 16th & 17th April—Holy Saturday & Easter Sunday

Counting Team No. 5	John Richardson, Larry Rigoni, Susan Jamieson
Ministers of the Eucharist— Holy Saturday & Easter Sunday	7.00pm John O'Keefe, Gail Tull 8.30am Doreen Mitchell, Mary Frisby 10.30am Richard van der Merwe
Mass Readers— Holy Saturday & Easter Sunday	7.00pm Daniel Corcoran, Peter Kirwan, Anne Cooper 8.30am Chris Maine 10.30am Jane McLaughlin



# IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Haizil Joseph, Santhi Komatineni, Kevin Murphy, Sarah Rodgers, Cathy Reid, Assunta Delgrosso and Yemme Reddy.

#### RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES



We pray for Nella Siragusa, Isa Frances Mannes, Innocenza Pecora, Angelina Pace, Marie Ann Richardson, John Clarke, Tony Falzon, Kurt Goetz, Rosaria Laudato, Jeff Cockerell, Emily McVeigh, Gordon O'Keefe, Frederick Hernan, Chris McKenzie, Thomas Mullens, Vera Newbury, Adrian Van Osta, John Galvin, Regis Hynes, Mary Sexton, Paul Vaisanen, Philip Hoban, Vincenzo Taliana, Benito Cilea, George Jones, Mary Bennett, Michael McGrath, Norah Maher, Hack Geoghegan, Calogero Durante, Giuseppina Petar, Francesco Antonio Mesiti and Frank Hynes; whose anniversaries are at this time.

# St Mary's Parish

# A community where we bring together our gifts and talents

10th April, 2022

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#### **Parish Secretary**

Kylie Skinner Wednesday 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 12:30pm Sunday

# PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD—YEAR C

#### FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah. 50:4-7

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

#### **SECOND READING:**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians. 2:6-11

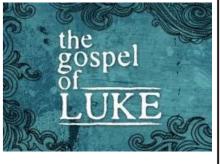
# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

# GOSPEL: LUKE 22:14-23:56

The elders of the people and the chief priests and scribes rose and they brought Jesus before Pilate. They began their accusation by saying, "We found this man inciting



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our people to revolt, opposing payment of tribute to Caesar and claiming to be Christ, a King."

Pilate put to him this question, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He replied, "It is you who say it."

Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd, "I find no

case against this man." But they persisted, "He is inflaming the people with his teaching all over Judaea; it has come all the way from Galilee, where he started, down to here."



Tuesday 12th April	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Wednesday 13th April	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Holy Thursday 14th April	7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Mary's Church.
Good Friday 15th April	<ul><li>10.00am Stations of the Cross at St. Mary's Church.</li><li>3.00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord at St. Mary's Church.</li></ul>
Saturday 16th April	7.00pm Easter Vigil at St. Mary's Church.
Sunday 17th April	8.30am Easter Sunday Mass at St. Mary's Church. 10.30am Easter Sunday Mass at St. Mary's Church.



Dear Parishioners and Visitors
I have left some pertinent pages on the card type table at the back of the Church as you will find the article from the 'Remember Lenten Program 2022' a terrific summary of a difficult concept.
Unless one understands this concept of "memorial" then one will never



understand the full meaning of the Eucharist. When Jesus stated at the Last Supper "do this in memory of me," he was stating far more than what we understand by the somewhat badly translated English word 'memory'. He was

really stating from the original translation "do this in memorial of me." This word "memorial" is an incredibly important word and the article on that back card table is probably the best explanation I have seen of it over the years. From my personal viewpoint, the only important thing missing in the article is that I do not think it does complete justice to the fact that this action at the Eucharist is not only a making present now a past action, it also offers us another gift with it: the gift of Jesus in Eucharist. For



the Eucharist is not only a sacrifice, it is a sacrificial meal par excellence. Please not only read the article but reflect on it as it has that most important concept "memorial" explained so very well. It is well worth re- reading. After that explanation on "memorial" is the Spiritual Direction article by Mother Hilda Scott. She always has some relevant point to take away for our spiritual lives.

People may remember my first inauspicious Saturday night Mass in Williamstown, when just before the Mass I had inadvertently hit my head rather hard on some gym equipment in the presbytery, and suffered a delayed concussion as I was about to read the Gospel on that evening. Those who were there will remember the thud from the floorboards as I went into a completely dead faint and hit the back of my head on the floor just behind the pulpit. It was probably not the start I expected!! Thankfully, after a five minute interval (and even as I

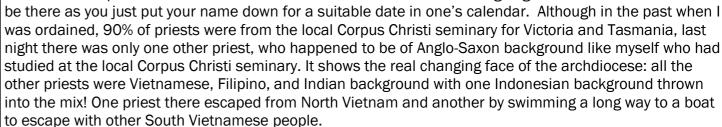
was still on the floor, the first words I heard were someone calling for an ambulance!) I was able, without any after-effects to continue with the Mass. Anyway, I bring this up as it is now exactly 12 years this Sunday April 10th since my appointment on April 10th 2010 as Parish Priest of St. Mary's Williamstown. Normally one is encouraged by the archbishop after two consecutive six year appointments to seek another appointment with another parish! However, at 75 every priest on appointment in the Archdiocese has to send to the archbishop one's letter of retirement which occurs for me this year on June 29th. However, as the archbishop is short of diocesan priests, I am led on good authority to believe this resignation will not be accepted. Luckily, I am completely healthy and God willing and the Archdiocese willing I intend to work here as Parish Priest for the next 5 years and then at 80 call it a day. As I then would be intending to live in Williamstown in retirement, if health still prevailed, I would hope I am able to offer my services for the occasional marriage, funeral or baptism or more probably weekend Masses to the local priest of the Newport/Spotswood/ Williamstown area to alleviate somewhat his load and to fill in when necessary for his annual holidays. This is my own desire at this time but God may have other plans!

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I have had a few contacts with the archbishop lately. Firstly, I have been able to organise (after getting potential dates from St. Mary's school) that he will come down and celebrate a Mass with us here on Tuesday August 23rd at 11:30am for the 180th anniversary. Even though born in New South Wales.

Peter Commensoli is well aware that St. Mary's is one of the very oldest schools in the whole of Australia and that we will be the first school in Victoria to celebrate 180 continuous years on the same site. It is truly an unbelievable milestone.

Last night I took the opportunity to have a meal at the Cathedral presbytery with the archbishop and nine other priests. He has these informal Tuesday night meals with the priests of his archdiocese – one never knows who is also going to



Shortage of priests and lack of priests with experience in running parishes (more and more are from different religious orders) are two more reasons why the archbishop and archdiocese are trying to revitalize parish communities through working more in cooperation with each other. As I have stated one of the first steps for us as approved by our Parish Council is to exchange pulpits on a weekend between Fr. Binh Le and myself in late May. We are lucky Fr. Binh speaks perfect English, unlike other parishes where parishioners sometimes struggle to understand the accent of a priest from the pulpit who was raised in a foreign land . As regards this revitalization of parish life, it has been considered necessary to amalgamate many parishes within our archdiocese over the last ten years. It is hoped that the sharing of different resources or personnel has brought or will bring greater life to smaller parishes that struggle in some way or other. Consequently, to help this process of parishes working with far wider and greater cooperation this year, a new group will be operating called 'Stakeholder Advisory and Reference Group.' It is hoped its first meeting will be in late May. If my memory serves me right from a general meeting of the clergy last week with the archbishop, there will be four priests appointed to this committee representing the Western suburbs plus about four lay people: male and female and from the other three zones as well. I hope the above summary does some justice to the intended situation and plans for our very large Archdiocese: the biggest in Australia as Sydney was divided some years back into Broken Bay (Manly and above), Parramatta and nearby parishes, and Sydney. We need some luck in this, but more importantly, good planning under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Yours 'in Christ' Fr. Greg 6/4/2022



# Easter At St. Mary's

Saturday 9th/Sunday 10th: Palm/Passion Sunday Masses—6.00pm, 8.30am and 10.30am

Thursday April 14th: Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm

Good Friday April 15th: Stations of Cross at 10.00am

Good Friday April 15th: Main Service Celebration of the Passion of the Lord. at 3.00pm

Saturday April 16th: Easter Vigil at 7.00pm

Sunday April 17th: Easter Sunday 8:30am and 10:30am