#### Rosters for This Week 13th & 14th April

Counting Team No. 8	Tracey Gregg, Leanne Spiteri, Rinna Sy
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.30pm Maria Laudato, John O'Keefe 8.30am Ivonne Cram, Mary Debenham 10.30am Mimma Cutroni
Mass Readers	6.30pm Marcia Schobben 8.30am Anthony Verhoef 10.30am Kate Arnold
Children's Liturgy	8.30am No Children's Liturgy—School Holidays 10.30am No Children's Liturgy—School Holidays

#### Rosters for Next Week 20th & 21st April

Counting Team No. 1	Frank Jones, Anne Goetz, Robyn Jones, Kimberley Jones
Ministers of the Eucharist	7.00pm Mary Soppitt, Larry Rigoni 8.30am Jeanette Thompson 10.30am Di Collins
Mass Readers	6.30pm Josie Penna 8.30am Chris Maine 10.30am Olga Reginato
Children's Liturgy	8.30am No Children's Liturgy—School Holidays 10.30am No Children's Liturgy—School Holidays



#### IN OUR PRAYERS

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

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES**

We pray for Innocenza Pecora, who died recently and for 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, Maria Mesiti, Francesco Antonio Mesiti and Frank Hynes; whose anniversaries are at this time.



# ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, WILLIAMSTOWN

# **Prep Enrolments for 2020**

Application forms for enrolment in 2020 have been available at the school office from Monday 4th February, 2019.

Closing date for applications is 30th April, 2019.

# St Mary's Parish

A community where we bring together our gifts and talents

14th April, 2019



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# Parish Office Manager

Heidi Zahra

Tuesday 8:30am - 4.00pm Thursday 8:30am - 4.00pm Friday 8:30am - 4.00pm

#### 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 6:30pm Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am Tuesday to Friday 9:15am **Reconciliation** 

## Silent Adoration in Church

2:30pm - 3:30pm Wednesday

Saturday 10:00am

#### **Baptism Preparation Night**

Third Thursday monthly 7.00pm at Parish Centre. Baptism must be booked prior to attending Preparation Night. Baptism 11:30am Sunday

## PALM SUNDAY

#### 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 our people to revolt, opposing payment of tribute to Caesar and claiming to be Christ, a



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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."

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Tuesday 16th April	9.15am Communion Service at St. Mary's Church.
Wednesday 17th April	<ul><li>9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.</li><li>7.00pm Parish Finance Team meeting at the Presbytery.</li></ul>
Thursday 18th April	7.00pm Holy Thursday: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. (Followed by Adoration at the Altar of Repose).
Friday 19th April GOOD FRIDAY	<ul><li>10.00am Good Friday—Stations of the Cross.</li><li>3.00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord.</li><li>(Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion).</li></ul>

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

The Mass of the blessing of the holy oils and renewal of vows for the priesthood will be held this Tuesday at St. Patrick's Cathedral – any parishioners are welcome for the 11:00am Chrism Mass with the Archbishop and Priests of the Melbourne Archdiocese.

All holy week ceremonies are very important in the traditions of the Catholic Church, however the <u>Easter Vigil</u> has special significance. It is a night of rejoicing for all Christians and in the Catholic Tradition new members are inducted, if not baptised they are called catechumens but if baptised in another authentic Christian church they are called 'candidates'. Although Sebastian Kwa is in neither category, we rejoice with Sebastian as he as an adult will have the sacrament of confirmation administered on that particular night. Sebastian was



born in Singapore, baptised a Catholic six days before his wedding to Agnes in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Singapore on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1973. He has been journeying with a small group of us on a Tuesday evening. Agnes and Sebastian now live in the new Rosny apartments in Nelson Place. They have two grown up daughters, Amy and Faith with husbands Willy and Ken. Chantel is the granddaughter. His sponsor will be his son-in-law, Ken Joseph.

The theme of **Project Compassion** 2019 has been 'Give Lent 100%'. The theme relates to the stories you have seen over the weeks on video. I hope you have felt edified by those lovely stories of the great work of 'Project Compassion' on behalf of Australian Caritas.

We have established a tradition in St. Mary's Parish to bring back our Project Compassion boxes or envelopes to the Holy Thursday (April 18<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm) celebration of the Lord's Supper. Parishioners are welcome to put those in the basket provided on the back table, and members of the congregation will bring those up during the offertory time of Mass. May I thank you in anticipation of that normal generosity for the many marginalised who need the help of 'Caritas Australia'.

In regards to the finishing of the **slate roofing of our church**, the section above the 'Mary altar area' extending to the left hand back section of the church 'the dome area' has been mainly completed this week and they will finish the job early this week. Sorry about some of the dust that will occur in this section over the next few days.

There is a <u>sheet up on the back table</u> requesting your <u>availability</u> for various ministries such as lectors, special ministers etc over the <u>Holy Thursday – Easter period</u>. Please note we need some more volunteers for the <u>washing of the feet</u> this Thursday night – families are welcome but children should be at least 10 years of age.

On the back notice board there are a few different flyers of different activities at <u>St. Joseph's by the Sea</u> 16 Esplanade Williamstown. Maybe at least one will suit your interest.

Our Josephine Pastoral Associate returns this week after a mini Sabbatical at Baulkham Hills within beautiful spacious grounds about 40 minutes north-west of Sydney. The six week sabbatical provides space and the companionship of others who are at the same stage in life and are contemplating retirement in the next few years. Hopefully Sr. Patricia found the 'presenters and the topics' handy for her ministry not only here in this parish but also helpful for her long term future. ...continued next page

While (Sr.) Patricia has been away I have been trying to coordinate things for Lent and Easter ceremonies. If some things are not of the usual standard then I am probably to blame. It would be a great help though if you could note your availability for reading, special minister etc for Easter Ceremonies. I need some more people to put their names down on the back sheet for Holy Thursday washing of the feet. This will take place after the renewal of my priestly vows and all one needs to do is to have a bare right foot.

Yours "in Christ" Fr. Greg

#### PROJECT COMPASSION - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 7TH MARCH 2019



Nguyet is a teenager living with a disability in a small town in Vietnam. Living with a disability was challenging, her early years were subdued and solitary. Since featuring in Project Compassion 2017 Nguyet has successfully built her own business, a dream that has become a reality with the support of Caritas Australia. Connected to the world in new

ways, Nguyet has become independent, an important member of her community and has great hope for her future. Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and give children living with disabilities in Vietnam the opportunity for an education

and inclusion in their community. <u>Lives change when we all give 100%</u>. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting

www.caritas.org.au/project compassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

# Caritas AUSTRALIA

# **Project Compassion 2019 Prayer**



Creator God.

You are our constant hope! In the season of Lent, you call us to prayer, fasting and love of those most marginalised.

As a community of faith and courage, let our gifts to Project Compassion be symbols of hope and solidarity with our one human family.

Accompany us as we journey with Jesus to bring 'good news' to all creation and ready our hearts to work for the common good of all your people.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN



#### **COMING MAJOR EVENTS:**

THURSDAY APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>: HOLY THURSDAY - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 7PM GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 19 TH : STATIONS OF CROSS AT 10AM

Good Friday April  $19^{\text{th}}$ : Main Service – Celebration of the Passion of the Lord. 3pm

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 20TH: 7PM EASTER VIGIL

SUNDAY APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup>: EASTER SUNDAY 8:30AM + 10:30AM



### A Journey into Faith — Do you have questions?

"I am a Catholic but not a very good one. Is there somewhere I can go to explore more about my religion without people judging me?"

"My child is learning about Jesus at school and comes home asking questions, where can I learn more to share with my child?"

"I'm not a Catholic, and I'm not sure I want to become one, but I'd like to find out more about what Catholics believe. Is there somewhere I can go to search and ask questions without needing to commit myself to anything?"

If you or someone you know has questions like these we invite you to take the first step. Come to a series of enquiry evenings that will begin on Tuesday May 7th at 7.30pm at the Presbytery, 116 Cecil Street. For any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact (Fr.) Greg on 0400 524 363 or greg.trythall@cam.org.au