

Rosters for This Week 15th & 16th June

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| Counting Team No. 1 | Frank Jones, Robyn Jones, Kimberley Jones. |
| Ministers of the Eucharist | 5.30pm Beata Ocampo, Mary Soppitt 8.30am Doreen Mitchell, Evol Farrelly 10.30am Alison Silke |
| Mass Readers | 5.30pm Evol Farrelly 8.30am Chris Maine 10.30am Jane McLaughlin |
| Children's Liturgy | 8.30am Rachel Nardo, Helen Freeman 10.30am No Children's Liturgy—First Eucharist |

Rosters for Next Week 22nd & 23rd June

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| Counting Team No. 2 | Mary Forster, Judy Corfield, Lauren Dittmar |
| Ministers of the Eucharist | 5.30pm Maria Laudato, John O'Keefe 8.30am Ivonne Cram, Jeanette Thompson 10.30am Mimma Cutroni |
| Mass Readers | 5.30pm Marcia Schobben 8.30am Stephen Littleton 10.30am Kate Arnold |
| Children's Liturgy | 8.30am Year 4 First Eucharist—no children's liturgy 10.30am Year 4 First Eucharist—no children's liturgy |

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 Terry Holdsworth and Raffaele Chionna who died recently and for: Neil Edwards, Mary Broadfoot, Sr. Mary Gavaghan, Ben Kelly, Donna-Lee Clarke, Justin Aylen, Maria Todorovic, Sr. Molly O'Carroll, Dorrie O'Neill, Tom Flood, Joyce Horsey, Jim Ward, Tommy Ward, Stewart Fisher, Kevin Tweedly, Emilie Soussa, Mary Buttigieg, Alan Becroft, William Walshe, Ruby Hill, Mary Barbuto, Don White, Barbara Stapley, Pat Maguire, Rom Kennedy, Pauline Duggan, Lorenzo Iaccarino, Kathleen Dawson, John Hannon, Fred Leader, Antonia Belic, Noreen Waters, Dave Meehan, Tom Ward, Dave Sheriff, Margaret Stone, Vince Rice, Julia Ruse, Alice Bevis, Frances Spira, John Bartolo, Dorothy Newbold, Brenda Marshall, Norma Pearson, Harry Hart, Vittorio, Adele and Mario Rigoni, Anthony and Elena Banavage, Lucio and Maria Falzon, Theresa and Giuseppe Xuereub, David Mangion, Teresa Rossi, Pino Lorenzo, Blondina Sammut and Stefan Kostraby, whose anniversaries are at this time.



Congratulations and Special Blessings
We pray for our young parishioners who will celebrate their First Eucharist this weekend.



St Mary's Parish

A community where we bring together our gifts and talents



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16th June, 2019

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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
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 11:30am Sunday

TRINITY SUNDAY



FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Proverbs. 8:22-31

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

O Lord, our God,
how wonderful your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans: 5:1-5

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

GOSPEL: JOHN 16:12-15

"I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth.



He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you."

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| Tuesday 18th June | 9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church. 1.00pm Funeral Mass for Terry Holdsworth at St Mary's Church. 7.30pm—8.30pm RCIA Meeting –continuation in the Presbytery for those |
| Wednesday 19th June | 9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church. 7.30pm Parish Finance Team meeting at the Presbytery. |
| Thursday 20th June | 9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church. 7.00pm Parish School Board meeting at St. Mary's School. |
| Friday 21st June | 9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church. |

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,
Welcome 1st Communicant's. However, like a marriage – the faithful continuation of the journey is the main thing. Yes, **today is important for many children receiving their first Eucharist** but the faith journey is a continuing journey fraught with many trials. Will one step up to the plate in that journey or be caught up by the cares and worries of life? Some of these children will follow the faith with determination and others will drop off. We pray for the former rather than the latter as we wish their happiness and not their failure in the faith. **Parental example will be the foundation stone needed** otherwise who will guide them and give them example about prayer, Eucharist and the living out of the message of love!

Thanks for all who have supported me in my work as a committee member for ACCRAF (Australian Catholic Clergy Remuneration Assistance Fund). From our collection last week, I will be sending remitting in excess of **\$1,500** to our National Council of Priest headquarters for the use of ACCRAF. I will wait until Friday in case further funds are received prior to sending on your contributions. Thanks for your help for outback priests not able to secure a just remuneration to live on in vast rural areas of Australia.

Some state school org anisations in various states of Australia disseminate outright lies, exaggerations or at the very least great ignorance of the cost to the Australian taxpayer for the running of Catholic schools. For instance, recently the chief executive officer of the NSW Catholic schools sector noted the following: "Ernst & Young (EY) has independently calculated that under current funding arrangements, the operation of almost 600 Catholic schools in NSW resulted in a net saving in recurrent government spending of \$480 million in 2018. This would rise to \$2.56 billion in cumulative savings in the five years to 2022," Mr McIcerney said. "..... EY's modelling also found that if the NSW Government were required to educate the students currently enrolled in NSW Catholic schools, it would need to spend up to \$7.9 billion in capital to develop the necessary schools." Mr McInerney said some 90% of the funding used to build or upgrade Catholic schools – which educate one in five NSW students – currently comes from private contributions (like parishes), parents and families. "This report shows that rather than drawing funds away from government schools, NSW Catholic schools actually free up funding for governments to invest in public schools and other areas."

As I mentioned previously, some state school representatives or state school affiliated unions are capable, in pursuit of their own selfish agendas, to be guilty of either outright lies, exaggerations or at the very least display incredible ignorance of our Catholic school system and its financial support to the total education costs of children throughout the whole of Australia. By the way, two years ago we were educating 22% of Australian children. I am not sure what the figure would be now but it would have to be at least 20%.

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"The Swag" has arrived once again. This is the Winter edition. I tend to read different articles over a month or two periods. There are always a few outstanding articles, but some may be in the front of the magazine and some in the back. This time on page 4 the editor gives a summary of several of the articles. **Our new Chairman on page 3 of the National Council of Priests of Australia gives some lovely analogies.** You will notice on bottom of page 3 an invitation for two vacancies for upcoming elections of the NCP. Around 2000- 2006 while I was Parish Priest of Torquay/Grovedale I completed 6 years on the committee and it was an absolute privilege to get to know a lot more of the priests of Australia, many of whom are saints in their own life time. One day I might tell you about a few of them. In the meantime, I found it usually a privilege to look at the column on those priests and deacons who have returned to God within the last few months. It is often humbling to read their stories at the very back of 'the Swag' and although we have had priestly troubles these other men have been shining lights to their parishioners and others.

Fr Greg 14/6/2019

WINTER MONTHS AT ST MARY'S



5:30PM every Saturday night now until AFL Grand Final weekend when it changes back to 6:30pm.

8:30am & 10:30am Sunday mornings with Children's Liturgy of the Word most weekends.



WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

Wednesday 19th June 7.30pm to 8.30pm

ECOLOGY-FOCUSED SHIFT IN CONSCIOUSNESS -

CARMEL CRAMERI, rsj

What do we mean by the New Cosmology?

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

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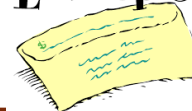


NEXT SENIORS' MASS—EVERYONE WELCOME!

**FRIDAY 5TH JULY AT 11.30AM FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY BY A LUNCHEON
NEXT DOOR IN THE PARISH CENTRE.**

**PLEASE BRING A PLATE AS THIS LUNCHEON WILL OCCUR DURING THE
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.**

**Offering
Envelopes**



STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES

Please collect your envelopes from the rear of the Church. All are filed in alphabetical order.

Thanking you.



DADS OF ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Keep the date free:

Friday August 16th from 7.00pm at the Presbytery.



The St. Mary's School Williamstown Midwinter Ball

Get ready for a spectacular night of fun Saturday 3rd August at the Williamstown Town Hall. Gather a group of 10 or come along by yourself. Ticket sales open late June. Watch this space.....