

**Rosters for This Week 15th & 16th October**

Counting Team No. 7	Mary Ward, Jean McCutcheon, Greg Morgan
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Mary Soppitt 8.30am Doreen Mitchell, Evol Farrelly 10.30am <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Mass Readers	6.00pm Frank Schobben 8.30am Christal Augustin 10.30am Olga Reginato
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Ros Jacklin, James McCutcheon

**Rosters for Next Week 22nd & 23rd October**

Counting Team No. 8	Tracey Gregg, Leanne Spiteri
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Gail Tull, John O'Keefe 8.30am Ivonne Cram, Jeanette Thompson 10.30am Di Collins
Mass Readers	6.00pm Emma Pinzone 8.30am Peter Kirwan 10.30am Herb Zimmer
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Rachelle Pantalleresco, James McCutcheon

**IN OUR PRAYERS**

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



**RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES**



We pray for Fr. Noel Oliver, Tony Rigoni, Michael Hynes, Tommy Ward Jnr, Kevin Kelly, Ersilia Meilak, Pauline Tweedly, Laurence Tweedly, Roberta Carlon, Mabel Pinto, Patricia McBride (Sagona), Kevin Woodruff, Paul Gauci, Rose O'Brien, Rosalia Nastasi, Lucy Kostraby, Maria Bongiovanni, Noah Zovko, Janos Gerai, Carmel Penfold, Gerald O'Brien, Helen Thompson, Mary Mayne, Peter O'Day, John Wilcox, Rosario Portelli, Peter Luckhurst, Gwen Meilak, Mariella Azzopardi, Patrick Doherty, Dot O'Loughlin, Kathleen Hobbs, Frances Holland, Robert Del Grosso, Lorna Scott, Laurie Cassar, Pietrino De Bono, Cecilia Penn, Kathleen Grieve, Agnes Micallef, Denis Robinson, Richard Darmanin, Paul Falzon, Concetta Azzaro, Franca Azzaro, Giuseppe Azzaro, Angela Falzon, Giuseppe Falzon, Mary Lorient, Giovanna Slobbe, Carmela Fusco, Claudio Slobbe; Natalino and Angelina Meilak, Brian Begley, Carla Marchese, Franca Ficarra, Dolores Farruggia, Ersilia Portelli, Maria Meilak whose anniversaries are at this time.

**CATHOLIC CARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL**



Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. As our parish's social service agency, CatholicCare Victoria delivers over 60 programs and services

including counselling and mental health services, specialized support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care in hospitals and prisons, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full.

**Please donate to the CatholicCare Victorian Sunday Appeal.** Your support and generosity will help provide caring support for people when they are at their most broken. You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au) or call (03) 9287 5513.



# St Mary's Parish

We proudly acknowledge the Boonwurrung People of the Kulin Nation as the Traditional Owners and Custodians of this land.

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



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16th October, 2022

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**Parish Office Manager**  
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Tuesday 8:30am - 4.00pm  
Thursday 8:30am - 4.00pm

**Parish Secretary**  
Kylie Skinner-Wednesday  
8.30am-3.30pm  
Sheridan McCutcheon-Friday  
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.

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR C**

**FIRST READING:**

A reading from the book of Exodus: 17:8-13

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

**SECOND READING:**

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy: 3:14-4:2

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.

**GOSPEL: LUKE 18:1-8**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death.'"

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'



<b>Tuesday 18th October</b>	9.15am	Feast of Luke (evangelist) Mass at St. Mary's Church.
	7.00pm	Continuation of Catholic Faith at the Presbytery with Fr. Greg. All welcome especially those who desire deeper faith.
<b>Wednesday 19th October</b>	9.15am	Mass at St. Mary's Church.
<b>Thursday 20th October</b>	9.15am	Mass at St. Mary's Church.
<b>Friday 21st October</b>	9.15am	Mass at St. Mary's Church.

**Saint Columban's Mission Society**

Dear Parishioners of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic parish in Williamstown, I am Fr. George Hogarty, a Columban Missionary who has worked in South Korea in Asia and Chile and Peru in South America. On Saturday and Sunday of the weekend of the 15th & 16th of October, I will be preaching to you about the work of the Missionary Society of Saint Columban, or the Columbans as we are generally known. Two Irish Diocesan priests, Fr. Edward Galvin and Fr. John Blowick founded the Maynooth Mission to China in 1916 which was approved by Rome as the Missionary Congregation of Saint Columban on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1918 for the Evangelization of China. Since then, Columban priests, Sisters and Lay Missionaries have been crossing boundaries of language and culture to bring Christ to the poor and marginalized and to protect creation. I want to invite you to consider becoming readers of our Columban Far East magazine that shares stories of the joys and challenges of the different Christian communities in the 16 countries in which Columbans work. By subscribing to our Far East Magazine, you will be able to inform yourselves of the work of the Columban Fathers, Sisters and Lay Missionaries and the peoples we live with and possibly become partners in helping the growth of the Churches in Asia, the Pacific and Latin-America where Columbans minister. I look forward to seeing you on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16th of October. Until then God bless.

**Fr. George G. Hogarty SSC.**



Dear Parishioners  
Please pop down to St Joseph's by the Sea at 16 Esplanade anytime from 11am – 7pm today (Sunday) to investigate the **contemporary art exhibition**. Any money raised will go to a very worthy cause and that is the **'Opening the Doors Foundation'**. **'Keeping Koori Kids'** in the education of their choice is the major reason for this Foundation.

Since Fr George will be here this weekend I thought it worth our congregation knowing about 'the Columban Korean Martyrs'.



*They Died In Korea*

The Columban Korean Martyrs comprise one American and six Irish priests, missionaries who gave their lives in 1950 during the Korean War. They were Fr Anthony Collier, 37, from Clogherhead, County Louth; Fr James Maginn, 38, of Newcastle, County Down; Fr Patrick Reilly, 34, from Drumraney, Country Westmeath; Monsignor Patrick Brennan, 49, from Chicago, born of Irish parents; Fr Thomas Cusack, 39, from Liscannor, County Clare; Fr John O'Brien, 31, from Donamon, County Roscommon; and Fr Francis Canavan, 35 from Headford, County Galway. The seven are among a group of 81 modern martyrs who died in the early 1950's during the Communist invasion of South Korea and whose case was opened to the Vatican in 2013.

Korea had been occupied since 1910 by neighbouring Japan. After the bombing of Pearl Harbor by the Japanese in December 1941, all non-nationals, including some of the Columban priests, had been placed under house arrest in Korea.

On June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1950, North Korean forces crossed the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel into South Korea, thus beginning a war that would last three years and claim almost 5 million lives. The Christian community in Korea at the time was severely persecuted. After the invasion, all the Columban Korean Martyrs were encouraged and had the opportunity to leave. All, to a man, stayed at their watch and with the people, knowing their fidelity would cost them their lives. One comment I read about them was the following: 'It is impossible to regard the photos of those splendid priests - strapping, handsome, in the full flower of life -and fail to weep at their coming sacrifice.'

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Fr Collier was the first to die, shot in the back on June 27. Fr Maginn, after starvation and torture, was shot on July 4. Fr Reilly was killed on August 29. Monsignor Brennan and Fathers O'Brien and Cusack were among a group of thirty-two prisoners transferred near the end of August, handcuffed to one another an over treacherous mountain roads, to Taejon.

The three were still there when the Massacre of Prisoners in Taejon, reputedly by bayonet, began on September 24. Their bodies, tossed into an abandoned well, were eventually burned.

Fr Francis Canavan was the last of the seven to die. Arrested on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, in December he was forced to take part in a one hundred mile death march in the freezing cold, deprived of adequate food and clothing. Throughout the diocese of Seoul, at the beginning of Sunday Mass, the faithful now offer a prayer of the beatification for the Columban Martyrs. Outside Korea, the seven are less well known – except in Ireland. Stephanie McNamara, a niece of Fr Cusack, has conducted extensive research, tirelessly promoting the Columban Martyrs cause, and established a website – koreanmartyrs.com

- Just a few more things also worth noting:
1. There will be an annual collection for CatholicCare next weekend.
  2. Palliative Care further initiates for our parish on 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> weekend.
  3. Fr Tony Cox of the Columban Fathers (been here before) will take my presiding place over the following 3 weekends of Nov5/6, 12/13, 19/20 for my annual holidays in Northern New Wales.
  4. As Parish Council and I take "Ask Mary" box seriously at back of Church, it has been agreed that from **next February** onward besides Saturday at 10am, **the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered as well after the Wednesday morning Mass for 20 minutes each week.**

Yours "in Christ" Fr. Greg 13/10/2022


**A new subcommittee - "Mary Care."**

St Mary's Parish Council are delighted to announce the formation of a new subcommittee called Mary Care. This committee comprises of 2 Parish Council members as well as 8 parishioners.

This initiative is in response to parishioners voicing concerns about lack of ongoing pastoral support to those in our parish community who are socially isolated or vulnerable. This need has been recognised in part due to the 2 years of covid restrictions and changes to pastoral care staffing at St Mary's.

Mary Care will provide support to the running of the Seniors Luncheon, provide bereavement phone support to those who have recently lost loved ones and administer home and facility communion to the sick. For Mary Care to be successful we are asking all parishioners to be aware of those in our community who could benefit from Mary Care support and to contact Father Greg on 0400 324 363 or the Parish office on 9397 6066. Mary Care's Patron saint is Saint Mary MacKillop and the philosophy comes from her quote

**'Never see a need without doing something about it'**



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**TOM CHRISTIE'S DEACONATE ORDINATION.**  
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 If anyone is interested in attending Tom's Deaconate Ordination on **Saturday 19 November at 10am** at St. Patrick's Cathedral, we're looking at hiring a bus.  
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**WORKING BEE AROUND CHURCH GARDENS**  
**SATURDAY 22ND OCTOBER, 2022—9.00AM—11.00AM**  
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 Come along and help clean up our beautiful church gardens, even if it is only for an hour or two.  
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 If you could bring your own equipment, it would be greatly appreciated.  
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