

## ROSTERS FOR MASS THIS WEEKEND 20th & 21st March, 2021

Counting Team No. 5	John Richardson, Larry Rigoni, Susan Jamieson.
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm John O'Keefe, Larry Rigoni 8.30am Jeanette Thompson, Peter Kirwan 10.30am Richard van der Merwe
Mass Readers	6.00pm Evol Farrelly 8.30am Mary Debenham 10.30am Jane McLaughlin.
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Doreen Mitchell, Rachel Nardo

### Rosters for weekend 27th & 28th March, 2021

Counting Team No. 6	Jim Farrelly, Tim Kennedy, Evol Farrelly.
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Gail Tull 8.30am Karen Colla, Mary Frisby 10.30am Mimma Cutroni
Mass Readers	6.00pm Marcia Schobben 8.30am Charles Hili 10.30am Richard van der Merwe
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Jacinta Sagona, Rachelle Pantalleresco

### IN OUR PRAYERS

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



### RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

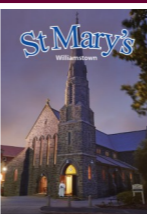
*Though your smile is gone forever  
And your hand we cannot touch  
We have so many memories  
Of the ones we loved so much  
Your memory is our keepsake  
With which we'll never part  
God has you in His keeping  
We have you in our hearts*



We pray for Pearl Wells, Lynette McCann (Lily), Giovanni Raunik, Peter Wentworth, Brendan Rooney, Kevin Hynes, Zaren Bartolo, Francis Spira, John Bartolo, Marcelle Michaud, Sr. Mary Byrne, Brendan Rooney, Win Kelly, Czeslaw Pleban, Jim Houlahan, Terrence Mahoney, Bessie Wood, Isabella Belmonts, Antonio Fernandes, Kevin Creaney, Terrence Duffy, Carmel Johnson, Cynthia Frawley, Harry Orr, Norma Ranson, Des O'Driscoll, Noreen Hunter, Geoff Hopkins, Kevin Grace, Giuseppe Nardo, William Spurling, William Dorgan, Lou Hindle, Charles Little, Fran Mannix, Michael McGrath, Kevin Walsh, Ted Literski, Margaret Mangion, Len Owens, Gordon Barnes, Edward Maguire, Mary Zahra, Baskal Farrugia, Gertrude Embach, Andrew Murphy, Robert Telfer, Win Hogan, Les Williams, Severina Ordinario, John Smith, Giovanni Radoicovic, Robert James Burke, Nancy McCrae, Marie Richardson, Domenico & Maria Ulcigrai, Giacomo, Caterina & Lino Lugnani Carlo Falzon, Jessie Mifsud and Shirley Barclay, 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 of 150, 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)



### ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, WILLIAMSTOWN - Prep Enrolments for 2022

Application forms for enrolment in 2022 are now available at the school office. Applications close Monday 3rd May, 2021. Children who turn 5 years on or before 30th April, 2022 are eligible for enrolment

# St Mary's Parish



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

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21st March, 2021

#### Parish Priest

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#### Pastoral Associate

Monique Julian

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Monday, Tuesday

#### 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.

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B



### FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah. 31:31-34

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Create a clean heart in me, O Lord.

### SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews. 5:7-9

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

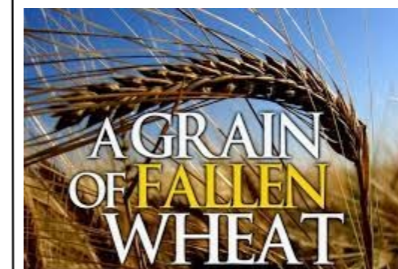
If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, my servant will also be.

### GOSPEL: JOHN 12:20-33

Now there were some Greeks among those who had come up to worship at the feast. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip



went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of



wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me."

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

Tuesday 23rd March	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church. 3.50pm–6.30pm Reconciliation, individual family services.
Wednesday 24th March	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church. 3.50pm–6.30pm Reconciliation, individual family services.
Thursday 25th March	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church. 3.50pm–6.30pm Reconciliation, individual family services. 7pm Parish School Board meeting at St Marys school.
Friday 26th March	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church. 3.50pm–6.00pm Reconciliation, individual family services. 6.30pm Stations of the Cross at St Mary's Church.

Dear Parishioners,

1. **5:30pm Saturday March 27th: Reconciliation Service Rite 2.**

I have lived in the same household with over 10 priests during a 43-year period of priesthood. If asked the best of all I lived with, I could not go past Fr. Des Wellesden who spent approximately 5 years in our Archdiocese with me at the big parish of Airport West before going back to be Parish Priest of Eaglehawk, Benalla and Echuca in the Sandhurst Diocese. Des has just retired last Christmas and informed me last week that he will be getting on the 'Spirit of Tasmania' on Sunday March 28th for a look around Tasmania, and could he stay the night at the Williamstown presbytery the evening beforehand. Tongue in check I said to him that he could use the spare bedroom (and dinner beforehand) if he turned up at 5:30pm to help me with the Reconciliation Service as a spare priest! Accordingly, as he willingly said 'yes', it will be a pleasure to join him once again around the sanctuary area after these many years since the 1980's. Please come and join us and have your sins forgiven as there is no feeling quite like it when feeling that "peace of Christ".



2. **Saturday March 27th (6pm) and Sunday March 28th (8:30am + 10:30am) Palm Sunday**

We will celebrate the Palm/Passion Sunday liturgies. This provides a double-edged sword for us. On one hand we will rejoice in the Lord's triumphant entrance into Jerusalem on a donkey with a crowd following him in song and on the other hand we will hear the Passion Gospel reading where Jesus is arrested, mocked, scourged, and finally dies on a cross. We almost have to imagine ourselves being in a village setting where a real living drama unfolds before our very eyes.

3. **Thursday April 1st at 7:30pm –Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper**

How could we not be there if we truly understand the gift of the Eucharist! We will celebrate that in a joyful but fitting and solemn way as we acknowledge the leaving of the Eucharist to us and prematurely in a way celebrate the greatest and most perfect sacrifice of all. Called like Jesus to be of service to each other we will also symbolically celebrate 'the washing of the feet'.

4. **Friday April 2nd at 10:00am**

Although not the major celebration of the day we will gather with the usual crowd of about 40 – 80 to remember the events of the original Good Friday with the wonderful ceremony of the Stations of the Cross.

5. **Friday April 2nd at 3pm – Celebration of the Passion of the Lord.**

There are 3 main parts to this: A/ Gospel of the Passion B/ Adoration of the Cross and C/ Distribution of Holy Communion from the reserved tabernacle Mass of Holy Thursday night.

6. **Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil Mass April 3rd at 7:30pm**

The highpoint of the Church's year. Nothing compares with this celebration.

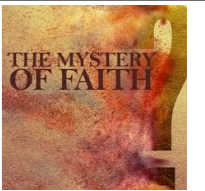
7. **Easter Sunday April 4th at 8:30am + 10:30pm**

As the Ceremonies above connect us as a Christian Community may we be present bodily and in spirit to as many of them as is possible. Our Pastoral Associate Monique Julian will be organising for most of the above to have good live music from good musicians and singers so that we can worthily celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Yours 'in Christ' Fr Greg 18/3/2021

**Mystery of Faith to learn for Lent**

*Save us, Saviour of the world,  
For by your cross and Resurrection  
You have set us free.*



**Fifth Sunday of Lent  
21st March 2021**



Halima is raising two children under seven in a refugee camp in Bangladesh, while caring for her mother who has a disability. Widowed at just 21, Halima fled violence in Myanmar's Rakhine State in 2017, arriving at the camp with nothing.

Caritas Australia, through its partner, Caritas Bangladesh, helped Halima out with a shelter and cooking equipment so that she could feed her family. She participated in hygiene and sanitation training and took on the role of community trainer herself, organising the cleaning of washrooms, wells and toilets.

Halima's training became all the more invaluable as the COVID-19 pandemic struck when safe hygiene and preventative measures suddenly became lifesaving.

Halima is proud that she is able to earn a small income, while maintaining the health of her family and the cleanliness of the camp community. Her children are adapting to life in the camp and are now at school.

Halima aspired to 'Be More' for her family and for the community around her.



*"My hope is that our children will be able to do a job, to live with pleasure, they will find their happiness - that will bring wellbeing for them,"*

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting: [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CHILDREN'S LITURGY—SUNDAY 8.30AM MASS**



Childrens' liturgy will recommence at 8.30am Mass on Sunday 21st March.

We are seeking volunteers to join the roster.

Please contact Heidi Zahra on 9397 6066 or email [williamstown@cam.org.au](mailto:williamstown@cam.org.au) for further details.

**VOLUNTEERS AND WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS.**

The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne has adopted a blanket policy that **ALL** volunteers obtain a working with children check. This is a requirement across all volunteer groups.

You are welcome to contact Heidi Zahra on 9397 6066 on Tuesday, Thursday or Friday of any week to arrange assistance to complete this form.

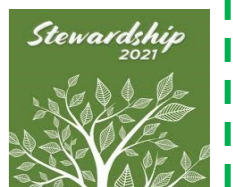
You can contact Heidi to arrange a time for her to complete the form at the presbytery.



**ST MARY'S PARISH - WILLIAMSTOWN PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM 2021**

**PARISH CENSUS**

To be conducted on the weekends of  
20th & 21st March and 27th & 28th March



A parish census will be conducted following the Homily at all Masses over the next two weekends. This will enable us to update our parish records – adding new members of our community and noting changes with addresses, emails and phone numbers. We aim to conduct this process with due respect for our Covid-19 environment. Accordingly, census cards and pencils will be placed in the pews prior to each Mass and you are requested to return your completed cards and pencils into the designated baskets on your exit from Mass. Your assistance with this important process is very much appreciated.