

Rosters for This 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	7.00pm 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

Rosters for Next Week 27th & 28th April

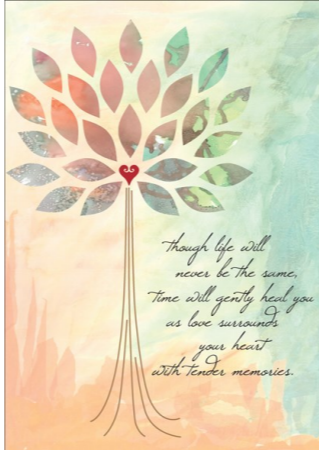
Counting Team No. 2	Mary Forster, Judy Corfield, Lauren Dittmar
Ministers of the Eucharist	5.30pm John O'Keefe, Gail Tull 8.30am Doreen Mitchell, Mary Frisby 10.30am Jane McLaughlin
Mass Readers	5.30pm Frank Schobben 8.30am Stephen Littleton 10.30am Jane McLaughlin
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Karen Simoni, Josie Camilleri 10.30am Volunteers Required.


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 Stefania Drandi, Eugene Buckley, Agnes Schobben, Gary Vaessen, Fred Goldsmith, Angelina Pace, Ljubo Lisica, Valerie Short, Franceso Sujevic, Maria Sujevic, (Fr.) Lou Heriot, Marga Mardesic, Ljubica and Ive Vuksevic, Benarda Milin, Mara Peros, Petar Mardesic Snr, Nicola Nardo, Ann Brydon, Tessie Zahra, Cecilia Dalton, Maree Beaton, Hilda Lloyd, Josephine Dimeck, Marianne Gerada, Ernie Clare, Mary Sweet, Rene Hynes, May Sinclair, Lucia Scalia, Des Moore, Francis O'Loughlin, Matilda Luczyc, Annie Broadfoot, Jack Cronin, Miles McGrath, Rita Consolandi, Giselda Darmanin, Tess Hannebery, Lyn Trojkovic, Stella Costa, Carmela Pisano, Ersilia Portelli, Joan Spiteri, Arthur Jones, Christine House and Alberto Mangion, 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



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21st April, 2019

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(Sr.) Patricia Stone
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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
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

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD – EASTER SUNDAY

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 10:34, 37-43

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.

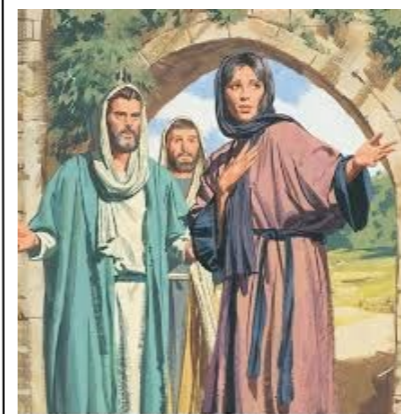
SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians. 3:1-4

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

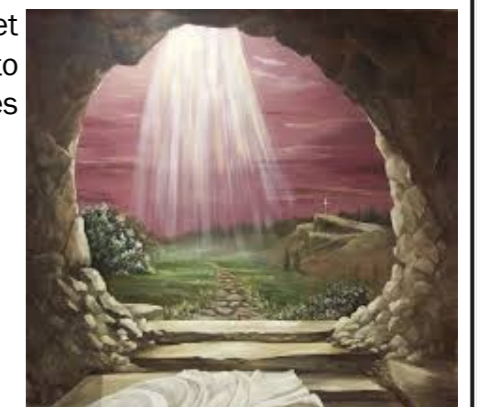
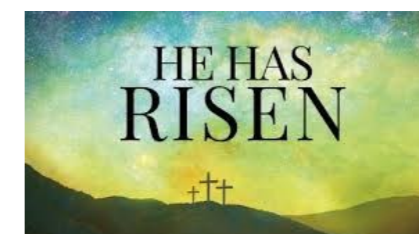
Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.


GOSPEL: JOHN 20:1-9



On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and

arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned home.



Tuesday 23rd April	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Wednesday 24th April	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church.
Thursday 25th April ANZAC DAY	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church with an ANZAC theme. 
Friday 26th April	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church.

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,
We thank those who come to celebrate this most important week of the Church's year. Whether you are a regular church goer, or somewhat on the margins of regular worship or faith please feel you are always welcome here in our church and in our parish in both good times and in bad.

The Catholic Church has its periods in history of triumph and periods of disappointment; its periods where certain Saints lead the Church in a far better direction and periods where certain sinners give great scandal; it's great periods of hope encouraged by certain events such as the Vatican Council, and then other periods where despair seems more the order of the day. Lately we have known a period of humiliation and derision from a hostile secular press in particular. As I state it has not been an easy period, **but if it has been an 'earthquake period' then we need to be able stand on 'new ground'**. Our saviour Jesus Christ would expect nothing less from us. Where is the new ground? Well, the early Church knew it when Jesus rose from the dead. The only way to stand erectly is to stand in faith with Jesus, as a friend and an ally. He is the foundation stone of the Church and due to his influence we have been able to share a certain institutional pride in not just our great saints but our numerous outreach departments: our Catholic hospitals, universities, primary and secondary schools, widespread palliative care, as well as an incredible array of welfare arms. As we now stand on broken ground we need our local Catholic parishes to stay strong. Also, through these and our many other institutions we need like dough in the bread to be that 'tiny leaven' that gradually but clearly effects a wider society and world. We have planted many great seeds in the past that have germinated for the good of us all, and we need still in time of doubt and trouble to keep planting good seeds. People need to be nourished in their faith and we all need to work together to satisfy their hunger. Sometimes there may need to be a shift in our outlook if we are to break new ground. Sometimes we also need to work with the government of the day, such as in our recent 'National Address System'. It is an independent agency (NRS) to enable those who have experienced institutional child sexual abuse to apply for redress. The Australian Catholic Redress Ltd (ACRL) oversees Catholic dioceses' engagement with the National Redress Scheme. Those considering an application to the NRS, can access support by contacting 1800737377 or www.nationalredress.gov.au

Although numerous people in society at this time tend to downgrade the work of the Church, I for one do not feel like moping as I see all around me every week and often every day signs of love and goodness. Without needing to think too much I can name 7 or 8 signs of hope as we celebrate the most hopeful time of all: The Resurrection of Jesus from the dead:

- 1. Prep enrolments** for St Mary's school: already within a week of its closing date we have 63 different sets of parents who wish to send their 5-year-old child to St Mary's in 2020.
- The Church in Australia has just done a survey to gain opinions on "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" "Already 220,000 people have been involved in feedback sessions. **Plenary Council** President for the 2020 Australia wide meeting, Archbishop Timothy Costelloe expressed his gratitude for the faith, energy and generosity of people who have shared so honestly. We wish to look at another proposed statement to Plenary Council—All are welcome to come to a meeting on Thursday 2nd May at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.
- Last year in Lent – mostly parishioners from Catholic parishes provided 11 million dollars to **Project Compassion** to help the marginalised mainly overseas and I am sure it will be close to that mark this year as well.



- Throughout our Archdiocese there are usually 600- 800 adults who decide to become Catholics at the Easter Vigil after investigating the Church through the **Rite of Christian Initiation**. This year we have Sebastian Kwa who will become a fully initiated Catholic at the Easter Vigil.
 - The work of **St Joseph's by the Sea** – within our own Parish and at the corner of Cole Street and Esplanade run by the Josephine Sisters. Check out our notice boards on future possibilities.
 - Always new initiatives keep happening. The younger priest in Newport/Spotswood (much younger than me) approached me last week to have a **joint venture in helping start an 18 – 28 year old young adults group**. Fr Binh is a man with a lot of intelligence and vitality and I am sure something good can come from this as this combines the 3 parishes of Altona North, Newport/Spotswood and Williamstown. It will start with a pizza night at 7pm in the Newport Presbytery with some contemporary topic discussion on Wednesday May 1st. I can give the name over to Fr Binh for anyone who wishes to know more. Do not hesitate to contact me on 0400 534 363 or greg.trythall@cam.org.au
 - This week the **'Roof Service Company'** have completed another 20% of our historic slate roof and now only 20% remains to be finished –hopefully in January holidays 2020.
- Yours "in Christ" Fr. Greg 19/4/2019

PROJECT COMPASSION – EASTER SUNDAY 21ST APRIL 2019

 **Caritas AUSTRALIA**

Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!



Thank you for supporting us this year as we showcase the many ways we work around the world with our local partners to offer hope to people most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice. Caritas is working with communities providing hope for a just and fair world for all generations, backgrounds, cultures and communities, who are part of one human family. You are empowering communities to break free from the cycle of poverty whilst ensuring they are the architects of their own development. Lives change when we all give 100%.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2019 Lenten appeal.

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A Journey into Faith – Do you have questions?

"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

PREPARATION CLASSES FOR EUCHARIST (HOLY COMMUNION)



For children who do not attend St Mary's school and are in our parish area begin on **Monday May 6th at 6.30pm** in the Parish Centre. This is for children who are at least grade 4 and the pre-requisite is Baptism and Reconciliation beforehand. For further information look out for the signs around the church or contact Sr. Patricia Email: patricia.stone@sosj.org.au

REMINDER: DON'T FORGET!!!!

Change of Saturday night mass from **next week 5.30pm** all winter