

# St Mary's Parish



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

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23rd October, 2022

## Rosters for This 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

## Rosters for Next Week 29th & 30th October

Counting Team No. 1	Frank Jones, Robyn Jones, Kimberley Jones
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Larry Rigoni, Beata Sicat 8.30am Mary Frisby, Mary Anne Wenzel 10.30am Alison Silke
Mass Readers	6.00pm Evol Farrelly 8.30am Charles Hili 10.30am Anne Cooper
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Doreen Mitchell, 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 Tom Portelli, Matthew Bruno, Nellie McGrath, Lucy Kostraby, William Black, Fr. Dutchy Guelen, Peter Brannick, Nicky Colton, Rebecca Kenny, Paul Zahra, Bill Keogh, Sr. Winifred Murphy, Mario and Evelina Lugnani, John Flood, Maria Buongiovanni, Paula Bugeja, Linda Stroud, Bob Alexander, Gwen Cosgrove, Joy Gallagher, Liz Wilson, Ena Fewster, Peter Luckhurst, Marg Hamilton, Stephen West, Dylan Wheat, Joy Lewis, Norrie Gardiner, Albert Curtis, Edward Hinge, Maysie McAdie, Alice Sutton, Muriel Dooley, Charles Mula, Anthony Nuzzo, Filomena Paoline, Cirri Ippolyto, Gennaro Mastrogiovani, Roberta Carlon, Anthony and Elena Banavage, Lucio and Maria Falzon, Thomas and Giuseppina Falzon, Peter Corva, Maria Corva, Joseph Sammut, Blondina and Lorenzo Sammut, David Mangion, Joseph and Teresa Xueref, Biagio Dante Cobis, Ilaria Salvatori, Rosaria Mangion and Kath Harney whose anniversaries are at this time.



## SENIOR'S MASS—YOUR HELP IS NEEDED



We are seeking volunteers to assist with the serving of sandwiches and cakes at our Seniors Luncheon on the first Friday of each month. We are hoping to get a roster system in place for 2023. Duties included: setting tables in the Parish Centre, preparation of sandwich and cake platters and subsequent cleaning up. Year 6 students serve cups of coffee and tea to the parishioners. If anyone is interested please phone Fr Greg on 0400 524 363 or Heidi Zahra at the Parish Office on 9397 6066.

### Parish Priest

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### Pastoral Associate

Monique Julian  
0450 789 951  
Monday, Tuesday

### Parish Office Manager

Heidi Zahra  
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.

## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Sirach: 35:12-14, 16-19

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

### SECOND READING:

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy: 4:6-8, 16-18

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the good news of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

### GOSPEL: LUKE 18:9-14

He then addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else. “Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, ‘O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity—greedy, dishonest, adulterous—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.’ But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise



his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, ‘O God, be merciful to me a sinner.’ I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”



Tuesday 25th October	9.15am	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.
Wednesday 26th October	9.15am	Mass at St. Mary's Church.
	7.30pm	'Way of the West' Meeting at the Presbytery.
Thursday 27th October	9.15am	Mass at St. Mary's Church.
	7.00pm	Parish School Board Meeting at the school.
Friday 28th October	9.15am	Feast of Sts Simon and Jude apostles. Mass at St. Mary's Church.



### CATHOLIC CARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL




This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. CatholicCare Victoria works with individuals, families and communities to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential. Your compassionate generosity will help the most vulnerable members of our community – those facing job loss and homelessness, those experiencing mental health issues, families struggling with relationship problems, people in hospitals and prisons, newly arrived refugees, and those experiencing anxiety, grief and trauma. Please donate to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help the most vulnerable and marginalised in our community. 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. All gifts of \$2 and above.

Dear Parishioners

We welcome **Kalma Rathouski from CatholicCare Victoria** to speak to us about their crucial work this weekend. We can take pride in the fact that we celebrate **more marriages here than any Catholic Church in the Western Suburbs of Melbourne**. I would like to think we give both bride and groom a good experience on the day as well as a spiritual one. I appreciate those such as Evol Farrelly, Josie Farrugia, Faye Veal and Jeanette Thompson who set up the Church for the wedding day and close up afterwards. Likewise on a similar vein it was good to be able to bless 6 couples from our parish two weeks ago who were celebrating significant wedding anniversaries from 5 to 50 years married.

**Thanks for those who popped down to St Joseph's by the Sea for the contemporary art exhibition last week.** It was a splendid job by the religious there as well as their committee for this art exhibition. There was a particular work of art there that was painted by Vicki Clark, an aboriginal woman well known in aboriginal catholic circles. Vicki painted 'the two cross' that will now hang in our St Mary's Church once we discern as Parish Council and parishioners the correct place for it to hang. From an aboriginal perspective and her Catholic roots as well, Vicki has combined in a "two-way cross" the side of both her beloved traditions. Jesus is seen from an aboriginal perspective which certainly only adds to our overall Catholic understandings rather than diminish them. Above and below the cross are the symbols of the 7 sacraments and sometime in future I will attempt to explain the aboriginal symbols and reason for their meaning to each sacrament as depicted beautifully by Vicki.



As we celebrate our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. **This Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October celebrates the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the consecration of St Patrick's commencing at 1pm.** All are welcome and Mass will be followed by the Launch of the Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App.

Next month, **27<sup>th</sup> November marks the beginning of Advent Year A** in which we go back most Sundays to the Gospel of Matthew. Last year we offered sixty small reflection books on Advent and in the end, they were so popular we had to order another 40! Anyway, we will offer them again this year for your reflection as they are reasonably cheap at \$4.

However, on the other hand the Daily Mass Book for Year A also starting 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent has become quite expensive at \$24 a book. I have always offered them as a gift from the parish to our regular weekly Mass goers, but those who wish to have one this year could you please pay for them.

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'The Far East Magazine' is a publication of the Columban Fathers. It is one of the better Catholic magazines. Australian Columban, Fr George Hogarty spoke about the benefits of purchasing "The Far East Magazine" at all our Masses last weekend. For those who ordered the magazine for the future I don't think you will regret the spiritual encouragement you will receive. I hope you also enjoyed my attempted summary of the 'Columban Korean Martyrs' who died in Korea in 1950 at the hands of Communist forces: the last of them Fr Canavan while engaged in freezing conditions in the '100-mile death march'. You can also still look up the website: [koreanmartyrs.com](http://koreanmartyrs.com)

I went and celebrated 'an ecumenical service' at the Retirement Village in Pass Place last Tuesday. As pandemic has subsided to a degree, I have been allowed as well to go to the Multiple Sclerosis facility on a monthly basis in Power Street Williamstown with individual holy communions. Likewise, but more in a group setting our 'Mary Care Team' is resuming a monthly communion service at Wintringham in Park Crescent, North Williamstown. It is under negotiation at this time but I have been given permission by the 'Retirement Village Management' to take turns with another Special Minister of the parish to gather a group of resident Catholics in a home setting there on a monthly basis. We are presently working on that and hoping all things come together as there are a number of elderly parishioners down there – several having been a major part of the parish for a long time. Just a few more things also worth noting:

- Palliative Care further initiatives for our parish on 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> weekend.
- 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.
- 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 20/10/2022

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



Never see a need without doing something about it

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 DIACONATE ORDINATION.**

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If anyone is interested in attending Tom's Diaconate Ordination on **Saturday 19 November at 10am** at St. Patrick's Cathedral, we're looking at hiring a bus. There is a sign up sheet at back of church on a clipboard on either table.

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### **10.30AM Mass — Ministers of the Eucharist and Mass Readers Needed**

We are seeking people to join the Ministers of the Eucharist and Mass Reader rosters for 10.30am Mass. It would be great if you could help, even if only once a term.

Please contact Fr. Greg on 0400 524 363 or email [greg.trythall@cam.org.au](mailto:greg.trythall@cam.org.au) for further details.