

Rosters for This 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.

Rosters for Next Week 4th & 5th May

Counting Team No. 3	Ian Veal, Frances Maloney, Tony Cutroni
Ministers of the Eucharist	5.30pm Maria Laudato, Larry Rigoni 8.30am Ivonne Cram, Evol Farrelly 10.30am Alison Silke
Mass Readers	5.30pm Daniel Corcoran 8.30am Christal Augustin 10.30am Jenny Furey
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Lisa Rodgers, Maritza O'Keefe 10.30am Ros Jacklin, Simone Jacklin

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Leo O'Brien, Haizil Joseph, Santhi Komatineni, Barrie Poulton, Bridget Walsh, Cathryn Walsh.



We pray for Richard Stone, (Fr.) Cyril Blake, Daniela Panzera, Antonio Pecora, Agnes Schobben, Bridget Fagan, Francis Xavier Borg, Jack O'Neill, John Fitzgerald, 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, Natalino and Angelina Meilak, Blondina and Lawrence Sammut, Michael Meilak, Joan Spiteri, Ersilia Portelli, Sheila Easdon, Carmela Sammut, Rosaria Laudato; Emmanuelle and Annie Taliana, Luigi and Lorenza Micallef, Paulo and Elvira Taliana, Sergio and Lucia Gelicrisio, Rita Mulak and Charlie Tabone, whose anniversaries are at this time.

Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre

The Mary MacKillop Museum at 362 Albert Street East Melbourne tells the inspiring story of Australia's St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. The Museum has a special Open Day on **Saturday, 4th May, from 10am-4pm** with guided Mary MacKillop Walking Tour at 11am which includes a visit to Mary's birth place. A special morning or afternoon tea is available between 11am and 3pm.



St Mary's Parish

A community where we bring together our gifts and talents



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28th April, 2019

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 5:12-16

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Give thanks, for the Lord is good,
God's love is everlasting.

SECOND READING:

A reading from the book of Revelation. 1:9-13, 17-19

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

You believed in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.



Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

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Heidi Zahra
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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

Tuesday 30th April	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Wednesday 1st May	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church. 7.30pm 'Way of the West' Asylum Seeker/Refugee group meeting at the Presbytery.
Thursday 2nd May	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church. 6.30pm Parish Council meeting at presbytery. 7.30pm Plenary Council discussion in Parish Centre.
Friday 3rd May	11.30am Senior's Mass at St Mary's Church followed by luncheon in the

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

We thank those who came to celebrate the **Holy Week ceremonies**. Also a special thank you to all who helped organise or take part in a particular way on Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday 'Stations' and Good Friday 'Celebration of the Passion of the Lord' and the 3 Masses on the weekend, especially the Holy Saturday Night Vigil. A great job was accomplished by so many and you should feel proud of yourself.

Prep enrolments for St Mary's school: already within two days of its closing date we have 66 different sets of parents who wish to send their 5-year-old child to St Mary's.

The Catholic Church in Australia has almost completed 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. Following on from some important input of several Melbourne parishes getting together, it has been decided that we would look at their input and probably add some more ideas to our own submission to the Plenary Council. Accordingly, please do not hesitate to join this group in Parish Centre this **Thursday at 7:30pm** for a one off session, and if you either want to contribute or just listen it is up to you.

If not already done, please give in your **project compassion boxes or donations**. Already we have close to \$4,000 been given by parishioners. Thanks for your wonderful generosity to those who need it much more than the vast majority of us. Thank you again.

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. **What about yourself looking more closely at the Catholic faith** or your spouse/ friend whom you may mention it to as a possibility for them to look closer! There is another notice in regards details on this same bulletin.

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 0400534363 or greg.trythall@cam.org.au

Last week the **'Roof Service Company'** have completed another 20% of our historic slate roof on St Mary's Church and now only 20% remains to be finished –hopefully in January holidays 2020. Thanks for those who have helped to pay for this through stewardship and other fun raisers.

Yours "in Christ" Fr. Greg 27/4/2019

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.

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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 this Tuesday 30th April, 2019.



HIGH TEA WITH JOSEPH'S CORNER

Come and join us for a great afternoon!

All funds raised will go to Joseph's Corner.

Where: Mount St. Joseph's Girls College

129-133 Maidstone Street, Altona

When: Sunday 5th May 2019

Time: 2pm – 5pm **Cost:** \$30.00 per person



There will be music, raffles, door prizes, guest speakers, party planners, great food and lots more.

Book tickets - on 9315-2680 or Tania - 0439 165 660

REMINDER: DON'T FORGET!!!



Change of Saturday night mass 5.30pm all winter

AND

Seniors Mass this FRIDAY 3RD MAY at 11.30AM