

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*

8th June, 2025



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Monique Julian

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Tuesday 9:00am – 4.00pm

Thursday 9:00am – 4.00pm

Friday 9:00am – 2.00pm
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Wednesday Parish Secretary

Kylie Skinner

9:30am–1:30pm

Safeguarding Officer

Frank Schobben

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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.

Baptisms 12:30pm Sunday

PENTECOST SUNDAY — YEAR C

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 2:1-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord send out your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans: 8:8-17

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

GOSPEL: JOHN 14:15-16, 23-26

If you love me you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always. Jesus answered and said to him, "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me."

"I told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you."



Tuesday 10th June	9.15am Communion Service at St Mary's Church (Fr Greg on prison roster at Port Phillip) 7pm- 8pm Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults at presbytery. All Welcome.
Wednesday 11th June	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church. 2:30pm – 3:30pm Silent Hour of Adoration in Church 6:30pm – 9.00pm Vibrant Parishes Formation Series – Italia Club.
Thursday 12th June	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church.
Friday 13th June	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church. 2:45pm Fr Greg for Wintringham Communion Service.

Dear Parishioners,

As I said last week 'our purpose' is to progress to be a 'Vibrant', 'Vital' and 'Viable' parish for the long-term future. For this to occur and to have a firm basis we need I believe to have the right resources or support such as the following identified by our Parish Council:

- Our community of parish priest, people and local businesses.
- Our nearby parishes, archdiocese, Sisters of St Joseph and other Catholic organisations.
- Our local parish primary school and families.
- Beautiful historic land and buildings.
- Active engaged laity.
- Community fellowship and fundraising events.

This was essentially the Vibrant Parish which is a lot to do with fostering *holiness and discipleship among its' members, joyfully desiring to share the gift of faith in Jesus Christ with those they encounter and embracing new opportunities for service.* His was essentially the gist of the Archdiocesan website belief. Whereas the following according to Archdiocesan guidelines is the essence of a Vital Parish as compared to a Vibrant Parish.

A VITAL PARISH:

Vital Parishes read the signs of the times with hope and missionary vision. They understand their local communities, culture and history. Having been shaped by the past, they are filled with hope for the future. Vital parishes are open to new ideas, acknowledging that past methods may longer fit where God is calling the parish today. They have clear direction and purpose and collaborate effectively with others to further the kingdom of God.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:

Several people requested a copy of last week's meeting, after they had been to the meeting. So down the back on the table for you is a full copy and thanks for coming. However, the contents of the Annual General Meeting is on our Website.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

Following on from all the celebrations around the new Pope Leo, we have already had in the last three weeks three adult men between 30-45 years of age who wish to look seriously at the Catholic faith. If anyone else wishes to look further, we begin the start of several sessions on the Catholic faith on this Tuesday night at 7pm at the presbytery at 116 Cecil Street. Our sessions are mainly Tuesday night, and the duration is always one hour at the latest. We cover all types of topics from prayer, the bible, history of the church, the moral life to sacraments and social justice. Anyone for further clarification is welcome to ring me on 0400524363 or email me on greg.trythall@cam.org.au During our sessions there is no obligation at any stage to become a Catholic, but all the essentials are covered in order that a person can make what they believe is the right decision in the end.

PROPOGATION OF THE FAITH:

Next weekend there will be a Propagation of the Faith collection – a vital part of Catholic Mission's global work. This brings Christ's hope to some of the most vulnerable communities around the world.

TAP AND GO: Our Parish Finance Team led by Leanne Spiteri introduced a '**tap and go**' facility at the back of the Church since many people these days do not carry cash. If you are wondering how it is going, then I can say the results have been encouraging for us so far. Of course, our main source of income is through the committed Stewardship of our parishioners, but added to that on average we are getting \$150 a week from '**tap and go**' which helps to keep us on an even keel with all our expenses including maintenance, staff wages, gas and electricity and so forth. This gives us a little cream on the cake to keep our heads above water and thanks for that.

REMINDER: Please sign on for New Parishioners Luncheon – on back small tables as it is on next Sunday.

Yours 'in Christ' Fr Greg Trythall – greg.trythall@cam.org.au -0400 524 363

NEW PARISHIONERS LUNCHEON: Sunday 15th June

New parishioners' are invited to a luncheon after the 10:30am Mass in the Parish Centre on Sunday June 15th. Please add your name to the sheet on the back table of the Church if you wish to attend. For all enquiries please contact Monique in the office. Hope to see you there. Fr Greg.

LOOKING FOR A REWARDING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?

St Mary's 'Way of the West' (WOW) group assists newly arrived refugees to settle into Australian life by partnering with the Australian Government's CRISP program.

(more information is available at <https://refugeesponsorship.org.au/what-we-do/crisp/>).

In 2024 St Mary's WOW group supported a Syrian refugee mother and her two children by providing housing, financial aid, and help connecting with essential services such as education, Medicare and Centrelink. Encouraged by their experience, the group plans to assist another family in 2025 and invites others interested in helping refugees to join them.

To learn more, contact Fr. Greg Trythall on 0400 524 363 or Gerard Colla on 0416 141 772.

VACANT POSITIONS

CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, NEWPORT AND SPOTSWOOD

The parish office for St Joseph is currently unattended and is advertising the following 2 positions:

- Parish secretary (15 hours/week) [Parish Secretary, St Joseph's Parish | Melbourne Catholic](#)
- Bookkeeper (4 hours/week). [Parish Bookkeeper, St Joseph's Parish | Melbourne Catholic](#)

If you, or someone you know, might be interested in either, or both, of these positions, please share the above links.

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Rosters for this Week 7th & 8th June 2025

Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Maylene Clayton 8.30am Karen Colla, Jeanette Thompson 10.30am Eugene Yi, Maria Laudato
Mass Readers	6.00pm Frank Schobben 8.30am Charles Hili 10.30am Antoinetta Acquaro
Welcomers	6.00pm Imma Marguglio 8.30am Mary Frisby 10.30am Herb Zimmer

Rosters for next Week 14th and 15th of June 2025

Counting Team 3	Ian Veal, Frances Moloney, Toni Cutroni, Larry Rigoni, Susan Jamieson
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Beata Sicat 8.30am John O'Keefe, Stephen Littleton 10.30am Eugene Yi
Mass Readers	6.00pm Rosemarie Smith 8.30am Peter Kirwan 10.30am Joe Covelli
Welcomers	6.00pm Cathy Pagano 8.30am Jenny O'Sullivan 10.30am Chantel Castelino

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Yeme Reddy, Sarah Rodgers, Assunta Delgrosso,
Anne-Marie Pelikinakis, Danuta Kurkowski

RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

We pray for Leonarda Lobosco, Emmanuel Zahra, Eileen Woolstencoft, Valma Tweedly, Nellia Corva, Charlie Gatt, Kathleen Canavan, Mateja Gashi, Gerry Miller, Silvatrice Pecora, Marie Pinzone, Brendan O'Grady, Maria Djopa, Fr. John Cunningham, Vittorio, Adele & Mario Rigoni, Dorrie O'Neill, Mary Bell, Stewart Fisher, John Morris, Lyn Trojkovic, Brian Deagan, Mary Allsopp, Bruce Calman, Vin Hogan, Peter Page, Lawrence Kennedy, Martin Mahy, Jessie Pace, Bernie Kelly, Ernie Jackson, Eric Hudson, Carlo Misley, John Thompson, Peter McDonald, Noel Bean, Lino Lechich, Herbert Richardson, Lino Tominovi, Marcel McKay, Josephine O'Driscoll, Gordon Alexander, Nicholas Cassar, Emilio Cini, Angelina & Natalino Meilak, Maria Falzon, Michael Meilak, Joan Spiteri, Blondina and Lawrence Sammut, Carmela Pisano, Vincent Mifsud, Rosalba Failla, Antonio Basilone, Rosaria, Albert, Maria Meloni, Celestina, Ersilia, Guiseppe, Natalino, Margherita, Carmelo, George and Emanuele Mangion, Agostino, Margherita, Pasquale, Rita, Pietro, Francesca, Benedetto, Ignazio, Angeolina Saragozza, Mario Camilleri and Giuseppe Azzaro, whose anniversaries are at this time