

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

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Tuesday 9:00am – 3.00pm

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Wednesday Parish Secretary

Kylie Skinner

9:30am–1:30pm

Safeguarding Officer

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St. Mary's School

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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

THIRTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR C

CHRIST THE KING

FIRST READING:

A reading from the second book of Samuel. 5:1-3

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians. 1:12-20

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Blessed is the one who inherits the kingdom of David our father; blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 23:35-43

The people stood by and watched; the rulers, meanwhile, sneered at him and said, “He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Messiah of God.” Even



the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out, “If you are King of the Jews, save yourself.” Above him there was an inscription that read, “This is the King of the Jews.” Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us.” The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, “Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” He replied to him, “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Tuesday 25th November	9.15am Communion Service at St Mary's Church.
Wednesday 26th November	9.15am Communion Service at St Mary's Church. 2:30pm – 3:30pm Silent Hour of Adoration in Church.
Thursday 27th November	9.15am Communion Service at St Mary's Church.
Friday 28th November	9.15am Communion Service at St Mary's Church.
Saturday 29th November	5.30pm Mass at St Mary's Church. 6.00pm Pre Opera Concert Drinks in the Parish Centre. 7.15pm Opera night at St Mary's Church.

Dear Parishioners

I cannot thank the Lord enough for leading me 50 years ago to Byron Bay. Basically for most of those years a group of us diocesan priests have enjoyed our annual holidays here, recovering from a year's hard work and enjoying our own particular hobbies. Although as a diocesan priest we are meant to retire at 75 I decided three years ago to press on to 80 years with the Archbishops permission as I was completely healthy.

Two years ago at 76 I was not absolutely certain I would make the 80 years in good shape, and be able after those years to be mentally and physically strong enough to help the future Parish Priest of Williamstown, with a weekend supply of any Masses when needed, or help support any other priest of the area with funerals, marriages or whatever. Accordingly, as the place we priests holiday rent (just under Byron Bay lighthouse) is so popular and we have to book two years in advance, it made me think I will take an extra weeks holiday in 2025 than what we as diocesan priests are normally entitled to. I booked that extra week two years back now. So this is why I will be back next weekend, rather than this weekend and be ever the stronger and fitter. This weekend a normal golfing partner of mine, of a Monday at Koorringal, Altona, Fr Brian Glasheen, will be celebrating the Masses on this Sunday while Columban priest, Fr Kelvin Barrett will celebrate the Saturday night Mass.

I thank them both. See you all next weekend.

Yours 'in Christ'

Fr Greg

OPERA NIGHT

St Mary's Church Williamstown—Saturday 29th November 2025

For further information please contact: Stephen 0458 358 116 (m)

Email: stephen@parishfirst.com.au

****EARLY NOTICE MASS CHANGE: OPERA NIGHT MASS 5.30PM****

Mass will be at **5:30pm** for that **night only**. It will be the First Sunday of Advent weekend and a new year of bible readings – back to Year A .

MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED LOVED ONES

Sunday 7th December at 6:00pm

Annual Memorial Mass for deceased loved ones of parishioners will be held on **Sunday 7th December at 6:00pm** at St Mary's Church - all welcome and light refreshments in the Parish Centre to follow. You may like to bring a photo or small memento of your loved one to place in front of the altar during the Mass.

St. Mary's Annual BBQ

St Mary's parishioners are warmly invited to join us for our annual BBQ on
Sunday, 30th November, following 10.30am Mass.

Join us as we come together to celebrate another wonderful year
of faith, friendship, and community at St Mary's.

To help with catering:

Families with surnames A — L: please bring a salad

Families with surnames M — Z: please bring a dessert



RENEWAL OF WEDDING VOWS



December 6th and 7th at All Masses

If any couple would like a blessing and to renew their wedding vows, especially if celebrating a significant anniversary, you will be able to do this at all Masses on this weekend. Please leave your name on the form at the back of the church or contact Monique (monique.julian@cam.org.au) or Fr Greg

JUBILEE PRAYER:

*Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us
In your son, Jesus, our brother,
And the flame of charity enkindled
In our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
Reawaken in us the blessed hope
For the coming of your Kingdom.
May the grace of the Jubilee
Reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
A Yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer
Throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed.
Be glory and praise for ever.*



Rosters for this Week 22nd & 23rd November 2025

Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Gail Tull 8.30am Gerard Colla, Stephen Littleton 10.30am Eugene Yi, Maria Laudato
Mass Readers	6.00pm Frank Schobben 8.30am Stephen Littleton, Evol Farrelly 10.30am Mareena Peter
Welcomers	6.00pm Michael Dillon 8.30am Mary Frisby 10.30am Herb Zimmer

Rosters for next Week 29th & 30th November 2025

Counting Team 3	Ian Veal, Frances Moloney, Toni Cutroni, Larry Rigoni, Susan Jamieson
Ministers of the Eucharist	5.30pm Larry Rigoni 8.30am Karen Colla, Peter Kirwan 10.30am Eugene Yi
Mass Readers	5.30pm Josie Penna 8.30am Chris Maine, Jan Maine 10.30am Antoinetta Acquaro
Welcomers	5.30pm Volunteer Needed 8.30am Maryanne Wenzel 10.30am Volunteer Needed

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Finn Pennisi, Dominic Piccolo, Yeme Reddy, Sarah Rodgers, Charlie Galea, Trish Hart

RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

We pray for Joseph Bugeja who passed away recently and Ignazio Amore, Sally Cutmore, Diane Vlasak, Marie Kosowski, Sr. Eileen McHugh, Stephen Rush, Mladenka Obradovic, Mollie Maine, Dr. John Anchen, Ignazio Kucich, Teresa Rimbaldo, Dan Buckley, Ellen Croke, Gary Metcalf, Guiseppe Pecora, Maria Ivelja, Michael Hctor, Graeme Bloedorn, Patrick Kirley, Carmelo Pagliaro, Kath Allman, Joel Finn, Cecilia Penn, Edward Maguire, Roland Zammit, Francesca Oliveri, Margherita Mangion, Peter Wenzel, Cath and Ray Willmott, Pam Neely, Luiza Kucich, Emanuel and Rosaria Raffaele, John Newington and Vera Rice whose anniversaries are at this time.

ADVENT and CHRISTMAS Reflection Books

This year's Advent and Christmas reflection books will be available on the back table of the church on the 1st Sunday of Advent, 30th November 2025, for \$10 each.

Green Team Sustainability News

There will be a Repair Cafe on Sunday 30th November from 10am to noon at 119 Douglas Parade Williamstown.

Bring along your appliances, toys, clothes and bikes for free repairs.