

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*

2nd November, 2025



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9:30am–1:30pm

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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

ALL SOULS' DAY

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Wisdom: 3:1-6,9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord is my light and my salvation

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans. 8:14-23

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, that all who believe in the Son will have eternal life and I will raise them to life again on the last day.

GOSPEL: JOHN 6:37-40

Jesus said to the crowd:

‘All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I shall not turn him away; because I have come from heaven, not to do my own will, but to do the will of the one who sent me. ‘Now the will of him who sent me is that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day. Yes, it is my Father’s will that whoever sees the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and that I shall raise him up on the last day.’



Tuesday 4th November (Melbourne Cup Day)	9.15am Communion Service at St Mary's Church.
Wednesday 5th November	9.15am Communion Service at St Mary's Church. 2:30pm – 3:30pm Silent Hour of Adoration in Church.
Thursday 6th November	9.15am Communion Service at St Mary's Church.
Friday 7th November	11.30am Senior's Mass at St Mary's Church. Fr Barry Hughes as the main celebrant. Followed by luncheon in the Parish Centre.
Saturday 8th November	6.00pm Mass at St Mary's Church. Fr. Barry Hughes as the main celebrant.
Sunday 9th November	8.30am Mass at St Mary's Church. Fr. Barry Hughes as the main celebrant 10.30am Mass at St Mary's Church. Fr. Barry Hughes as the main celebrant

Dear Parishioners,

MASSES DURING ANNUAL HOLIDAYS OF FR GREG :

- **Fr Barry Hughes:** Retired priest living in Williamstown area will celebrate:
 - a) Saturday Nov 1st: All Saints Day Mass at 9:15am
 - b) Nov 7th First Friday: 11:30am Seniors Mass.
 - c) Nov 1st / 2nd weekend Masses (All Souls Day theme and feast) plus Nov 8th/9th Masses of weekend.
- **Fr Trevor Trotter :** Columban Missionary priest will celebrate all Masses of Nov 15th & 16th
- **Fr Kelvin Barrett & Fr Brian Glasheen:** Saturday night Mass of 22nd with Fr Kelvin (Columban), and my retired diocesan parish priest golfing partner of Koorringal Golf Course will celebrate the Sunday morning Masses.

PARISH BARBEQUE SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

After 10:30am Mass all are welcome to join us in the Parish Centre.

If your surname is in the A – L bracket, could you please bring a Salad on the day. If in the M- Z bracket, could you please bring a dessert on the day.

UPDATE ON FIRST NATIONS TREATY

Catholic Social Services Victoria has welcomed the introduction and progression of treaty legislation in the Victorian Parliament. In a statement CSSV said: “ to accept the invitation of the Uluru Statement of the Heart is to embrace the calls of First Nations Peoples to look to a just future and a way forward for healing and learning together.....The Uluru Statement calls for treaty.”

POPE CANONISES SEVEN NEW SAINTS

There would be over 100 outstanding people of the past who have been pushed forward for sainthood in this present age or recent past, but usually only the best of the best emerge in the end to be canonised. Pope Leo stated on the 19th of October: “Today we have before us seven witnesses, the new saints, who with God's grace, kept the flame of faith burning.” As I intimated above these people are all quite extraordinary in their own separate ways. For instance, among the recent seven take St Peter To Rot, a lay catechist martyred in Papua New Guinea(their first saint) during the Japanese occupation in World War 11. Peter defied Japanese authorities who permitted polygamy, while he kept defending Christian marriage until death. Venezuela also has its first two saints, with the Pope canonising St Jose Gregorio Hernandez Cisneros, known as “the doctor of the poor”, and St Maria del Carmen Rendiles Martinez, a religious sister born without her left arm who went on to found the Servants of Jesus in Caracas (capital and largest city of Venezuela) in 1965. Pope Leo finished the ceremony with the following words: “May their intercession assist us in our trials and their example inspire us in our shared vocation to holiness.”

Yours 'in Christ'

Fr Greg Trythall – greg.trythall@cam.org.au -0400 524 363

SAVE THE DATE 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 .

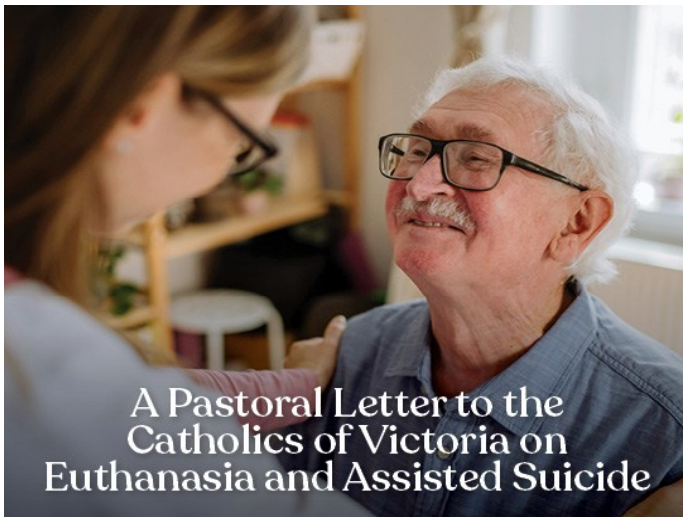


RENEWAL OF WEDDING VOWS

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 (greg.trythall@cam.org.au).



A Pastoral Letter to the Catholics of Victoria on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide

The State Government is seeking to amend Victoria's euthanasia and assisted suicide laws. If passed, the new laws would further weaken protections for vulnerable patients and reduce protections for nurses, doctors and other medical practitioners who conscientiously object. In response, the Bishops of Victoria have written a pastoral letter asking that we contact our local Members of Parliament and urge them to vote against these laws.

You can read the letter online and find out more by scanning the QR code or via: www.bit.ly/EuthanasiaBill.



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 1st & 2nd November 2025

Counting Team 1	Frank Jones, Robyn Jones, Kimberley Jones, Paul Francis
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Larry Rigoni 8.30am Maryanne Wenzel, Mary Frisby 10.30am Eugene Yii
Mass Readers	6.00pm Youth Group 8.30am Christal Augustin 10.30am Herb Zimmer
Welcomers	6.00pm Imma Marguglio 8.30am Stephen Littleton 10.30am Di Collins

Rosters for next Week 8th & 9th November 2025

Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Beata Sicat 8.30am Eilin Taylor 10.30am Di Collins, Alison Silke
Mass Readers	6.00pm Rosemarie Smith 8.30am Peter Kirwan 10.30am Cindy & Charlie Kotevski
Welcomers	6.00pm Maylene Clayton 8.30am Jeanette Thompson 10.30am Mariza O'Keefe

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

We pray for Frank Barbalaco, Patricia Kelly (Grieve), Romeo Callejo, Gladys Taylor, Giuseppina Grech, Lucy Muscat, Baskal Farrugia, Carmelo Farrugia, Julia Farrugia, Vincent Mifsud, Antonia Mifsud, Margaret Johnson, Rose Sundblom (McKean), Lorry Galea, Paul Zahra, Nikky Anuscay, Maria Meloni, Doreen Rogers, Margaret Camilleri, Sr. Winifred Murphy, Luigi Vivona, Ignazio Kucic, Alberto, Celestina, Ersilia, Giuseppe, Benedetto, Natalino, Margherita, Carmelo, George & Emmanuele Mangion, Maria Meloni, Agostino, Margherita, Pasquale, Rita, Pietro, Francesa, Benedetto & Ignazio Saragozza, Giuseppina Saragozza, Anthony and Elena Banavage, Maria & Lucio Falzon, David Mangion, Antonia & Adriano Azzopardi, Michele Azzopardi, Rosa Cini, Rosa Azzopardi, Mario Camilleri, Rosaria Mangion, Antonio Basilone, Mario and Evelina Lugnani and Maria Bongiovanni whose anniversaries are at this time.

All Souls Day Prayer

REMEMBER LORD, THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE GONE
BEFORE US MARKED WITH THE SIGN OF FAITH,
ESPECIALLY THOSE FOR WHOM WE NOW PRAY.

MAY THESE, AND ALL WHO SLEEP
IN CHRIST, FIND IN YOUR PRESENCE
LIGHT, HAPPINESS AND PEACE.
THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD.

