



ST. MARY'S PARISH

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VISION STATEMENT

"To be a vibrant Christian community engaging with the world"

Mass times

Sunday 8.00 am, 10.00 am, 5.00 pm

Tuesday to Friday 9.15 am

Saturday 8.30 am and 6.30 pm (Vigil)

Liturgy of the Word

Monday 9.15 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 9.00 am, 5.45 pm

Baptisms

2nd & 3rd Sunday 11.30 am. Please see Fr Steven or Fr. Dong to make the necessary arrangements after any Mass on Sunday or Saturday evening.

Communion to the Sick: Any parishioner who cannot attend Mass due to illness and would like to receive Communion is asked to contact the parish office.

St Mary's Parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri people who are the traditional custodians of this land and we pay respect to the Elders past and present.

This Week: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
30th Sept/1st Oct 2017 Ezek 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

Next Week: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
7th/8th Oct 2017 Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43



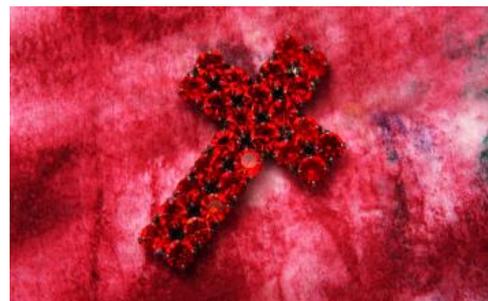
Gospel Reflection

Saying "Yes!"

I many ways, it is easy to say 'Yes' and not really mean it. Some people do it all the time in their lives. They say 'Yes' when they have no intention at all of following through on their commitment. It's easy to say 'Yes' and not mean it when it comes to faith as well. It's pretty easy to turn up at Church on a Sunday and be seen to be doing the 'right' thing.

But if our faith doesn't change the way We live, then maybe we're really Saying 'No' to God.

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The Agapè Prayer Group – The Agapè Prayer Group meets each Monday evening 7.45pm in the Gathering Space. All are welcome to come and join us as we reflect and discuss the Scripture for the following weekend. Enquiries: Sam Giudice 0412 401 572.

ST MARY'S LIBRARY Social Justice : Fuller Life in a Fairer World by Bruce Duncan 261.8 DUN Bruce Duncan shows how strongly the Church insists that concern for social justice is a core element of Christian faith, as is evident in the Scriptures and the life of Jesus. He then traces how the Church promotes social justice in our modern world, confronted by new problems, from climate change to economic crises. He sketches the history and key elements of social justice thinking. *Borrow from our library.* **Library catalogue available** cloud.collectorz.com/247780

Parish News continued

THINKING OF A UNIQUE OVERSEAS EXPERIENCE? Come along to hear about some amazing travel ideas, with likeminded parishioners and friends. Hosted by Diamond World Travel, our fully escorted tours will be discussed and tailored to your interests. Join us on **Thursday Oct 12** at St Mary's Gathering Space. Refreshments provided, everyone welcome. RSVP 10 October to: diamondworldtravel@mtatravel.com.au 0481321055.

2018 COLUMBAN CALENDARS are available for sale in the piety store.

WILLIAM STREET PEDESTRIAN GATE - will be locked other than between 8.00– 9.15am and 3.30- 4.30pm. If you wish to enter the property during the times it is locked, please use code **2100**. Please re-lock after you have entered.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament first and third Friday of every month, from 10.00am to 9.00pm or starting at 11.00am when there is no Mass - every 2nd, 4th and 5th Friday 8.00-9.00am.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR TIME OUT from a busy lifestyle? Join silent adoration before the Blessed Sacrament at the Irish Martyr's Chapel Loyola College Wednesdays 5.30-6.30pm. All welcome-queries Brian Rooney 0413885 168.

Community News:

CALL OF GUADALUPE - A Theatre Group That Stages Christian Musicals. Presents 'Magdalene - A Wanton Saint' from **4 to 7 October**, at the Renaissance Theatre, 826 High Street, East Kew. Tickets: TryBooking.com/qzmg or Andrew Toomey 0430 008 021. See noticeboard.

MARCH FOR THE BABIES- Saturday 7 October -1pm. Starting at Treasury Gardens, cnr Spring St and Wellington Parade, East Melbourne. A peaceful rally defending the rights of unborn babies and their mothers against the 2008 Abortion law Reform Act. See noticeboard.

DIVINE MERCY PUBLICATIONS 25th Anniversary Fundraising Dinner -Sat 7 Oct 5pm-10pm- Ss. Peter and Paul Parish Hall, 23 Leeds Street, Doncaster East. Guest Speaker, Simon Costa – UN Global Director of Food Security, Comedy Artist–Martin Ralph. \$75 - 2 course meal. Kelly Brauer–0407902221/ sales@divinemercury.com.au. See Board

RALLY FOR REFUGEES- Calling for an end to Offshore Processing & Mandatory Detention. Seeking Safety for All People Who Have Come Here Seeking Protection. **Sun, 8 Oct, 2pm.** State Library, Swanston St. See noticeboard.

SENIORS WEEK FESTIVAL – Aeolian Players-Mon 9 Oct 12-1pm, Deakin Performing Centre Federation Square. Marcello and Pauline D'Amico perform traditional folk, Italian, regional music. Free event, public transport also free. We have been St Mary parishioners since 1975 and I've played music at church since Easter 1981. See noticeboard

RSCM AUSTRALIA SPRING DINNER- Fri 13 Oct, 6pm Ecumenical Evening Prayer at Sacred Heart Church, Carlton (Presiding: Fr Denis Stanley, Rector of Corpus Christi College), music led by St Francis' Choir, directed by Tony Way. Dinner from 7pm at the Angliss Restaurant, 550 Little Lonsdale St, Melbourne. The after-dinner guest speaker will be Noel Ancell, Director of the Australian Boys' Choir and composer of liturgical music. Enquiries/RSVP **Sept 29 - Donrita Reefman – 0411 702 068.** Bookings www.trybooking.com/RUGL **Cost \$65** . See noticeboard

AN INVITATION TO LISTEN to **Stories of Faith and Hope** of 3 Christian men and their challenging life journeys coming to Australia as refugees. The second is **October 14-**Hear Jeremiah Temple tell the story of his escape from the war in Sierra Leone, West Africa, his life in Australia and his involvement with asylum seekers and refugees in Melbourne at **2:00- 4:00pm** Diamond Valley Baptist Church, 309 Diamond Creek Road, Plenty. See noticeboard.

ASYLUM SEEKING RESOURCE CENTRE RUN 4 REFUGEES MELBOURNE MARATHON on **Sunday 15th October.** Whether you run, walk, skip or jog in one of five event distances you'll become part of Team ASRC, championing hope and empowering people seeking asylum. Register at asrc.org.au/run4refugees. See noticeboard.

REFORMATION 500: Joint Catholic-Lutheran Service Of Commemoration Evening prayer-**Sat 28 Oct-7pm** at St John's Lutheran Church 20 City Road Southbank. Call 96824995/stjohns.southgate.vic@lca.org.au. See noticeboard.

What's Happening in our Parish?

DATA PROJECTIONISTS NEEDED URGENTLY The data screen is an integral part of our liturgical celebrations enabling us to participate more fully. Currently, the same 1 or 2 people operate the projector at each mass time every week. New projectionists are needed to share this role with them. Training will be provided. For more information, please contact Marian – mariantacey@optusnet.com.au. Thank you.

INVITATION TO ECONFERENCE AT ST MARY'S. Due to circumstances beyond our control, the econference has been postponed to November. We shall advise the new date when known.

HELP NEEDED Have you ever wondered how, or even noticed, that at every Mass the linen is crisp and white. The answer is that three women launder the Altar cloth, purifiers, hand towels, Baptism towels every week and have been doing so for more than fifteen years. I am sure you will not be surprised when I tell you they are getting tired. So I put it to you, help is needed, or the Parish will need to address the problem of how to provide clean linen for every mass. If you can help please phone Trish Spencer 9435 9480.

FORMATION EVENING for MINISTERS of the WORD and MINISTERS of COMMUNION at St Mary's Church Greensborough-Tues 3 Oct-7.30pm. If you are interested in proclaiming the Word of God or assisting with the distribution of Communion (or both) we would love you to come along to the Formation Session which will include historical and spiritual background to both ministries and the opportunity for practical input and feedback. Please contact Parish Office on 9435 1543 so we have an idea of numbers. Current Ministers who have not attended a formation session in recent years invited to attend to fulfil the Archdiocesan requirement of ongoing formation.

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS GROUP will meet on the 2nd Monday of the month at 10:00 in the Parish House, St Mary's Greensborough. Anyone wanting to pray for our children and youth are warmly invited to come along to pray and support one another, non-grandparents also welcome. For information call Maria or John 9467 5173.



Presentation by Francis Sullivan . CEO Truth, Justice and Healing Council. **Wed 18 Oct. - 7:00 PM.** St Mary's Parish, Grimshaw St, Greensborough. Venue: To be advised - dependant on RSVP numbers. RSVP: greensborough@cam.org.au/ 9435 1543 (Parish Office). Early RSVP greatly appreciated to determine the best venue for the evening. This event is run in support of Blue Knot Day. www.blueknot.org.au/BlueKnotDay. Please feel free to invite anyone you may think will be interested in attending. Catholic or not

FETE NEWS-Save the date Sat 18 Nov -10am - 3pm. Please save empty 1.25 litre soft drink bottles for the mystery bottles to be used at the fete. We urgently need of these so please bring them in if you have any. These can be left at Parish Office or gathering space. If you can help the Fete contact the Parish Office on 9435 1543. If you are doing a spring clean please keep in mind that the Fete Committee will gratefully accept donations of gently used books and educational toys. These can be left at the parish office.

URGENT ALL PARISH GROUPS: As new legislation comes into effect, you will be unable to participate in Parish Groups if your Working with Children's card is out of date. Please supply a copy of your card. Photocopies can be made at office. Please contact Denise on Wednesdays on 9435 1543 or denise.chang-faux@cam.org.au.

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC MAGAZINE This month there are some articles on Cardinal Orlando Quevedo's comments on effects of terror in the Phillipines, World Mission month and St Mary MacKillop. Also includes book and film reviews. Available in Piety store for \$4.00 and well worth a read.

RESOURCES ON MARRIAGE AND THE PLEBISCITE The Pope along with the Bishops of Australia have written articles on the current issue on same sex marriage. All articles can be read on the websites at www.pol.org.au/greensborough or www.pol.org.au/greensboroughnorth or www.pol.org.au/diamondcreek

WELCOME Parishioners are invited and always welcome to come in and make a cuppa and have a biscuit in the gathering space kitchen. We ask that you please clean up after use. Thank you and welcome.

ATTENTION CREDIT CARD CONTRIBUTORS PLEASE contact the parish office on 9435 1543 or email to greensborough@cam.org.au if there has been a change to your credit card details, e.g. expiry date, new card. Your contribution cannot be processed without up to date information. Thank you for your assistance.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENTS are still available from the piety stall. Cost- a gold coin. Social Justice Group