



# ST. MARY'S PARISH

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Parish Secretaries: Frances Olofsson, Sharon Prosser:

School Principal: Helen Anderson,

## 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-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017 Is 25:6-10; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

Next Week: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2017 Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21



### Gospel Reflection

#### *Inclusivity*

*The gospel parable reflects the inclusive way in which Jesus lived his life. In many ways, Jesus was a scandal in his society because he didn't obey the social boundaries. He was very clear in being inclusive and attentive to those who were normally shunned. Today, those boundaries are just as clear and easily identified but the methods of excluding people have perhaps become a bit more subtle.*

*Who are the 'shunned' and 'left out' in our society today? Who would Jesus be reaching out to and seeking to include in today's society?*

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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** Eucharist and the Living Earth by Hugh O'Donnell, 2007 234.163 ODO. This is an attempt to show us the connections between the Eucharist and our responsibilities for creation, and the natural world. *Borrow from our library.* Library catalogue available [cloud.collectorz.com/247780](http://cloud.collectorz.com/247780)

### *Parish News continued*

**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.

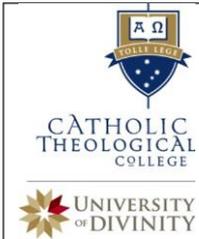
*Stay in touch with the school news-pick up a copy of the candela from the Gathering Space.*

### *Community News:*

**THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM –15 October** This week a powerful and moving interview with James Parker. James Parker's life has seen him move from adoption as an infant, through sexual abuse, embrace a homosexual lifestyle as a Gay activist and from there into an encounter with Christ that saw his life transformed. James worked extensively in communications and evangelisation and now in the efforts of the marriage coalition to defend the traditional definition of marriage. James' amazing life story places him in a unique position to speak with experience and love as Australians vote in the marriage plebiscite. Go to [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

**HEALING MASS on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October** at Our Lady Help of Christians, Henry Street, Eltham. The evening will commence at 7.30pm with Praise & Worship followed by Mass, which will include the Sacrament of Anointing. Prayer Ministry and supper will be available. For further details, please contact Emilia 9435 7475 or Rose 9434 3962.

**VOLUNTEER INTERPRETERS NEEDED - FOR A WEEKEND AWAY!** *Refugee Dads & Kids Weekend: 27-29<sup>th</sup> October.* CatholicCare is having their Legendary, Fun Filled Refugee Dads and Kids Weekend. There are 4 families who will be needing Interpreter assistance in: Hakha Chin – Burmese; Swahili, French; Farsi; Arabic. Do you speak any one of these languages? If so, we would love to hear from you. Requirements: Bi-lingual skills – One of the above Languages and English. A Working with children card and police check. Contact: Matt Walton (Volunteer Coordinator) – CatholicCare. Phone: (03) 9926 5699. Email: [Matthew.Walton@ccam.org.au](mailto:Matthew.Walton@ccam.org.au). See Noticeboard.



### **CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE Open Day Wednesday 8 November, 2017**

- Study options, Library and Building tour, Refreshments
- Two programs: 4.30pm–6.30pm or 6.00pm–8.00pm
- Bookings essential – See noticeboard

RSVP to Jenny Delahunt by Friday 3 November Phone: 9412 3314

Email: [jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au](mailto:jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au) 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne VIC 3002

**CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE STUDY TOUR OF THE BIBLICAL LANDS: 17 November – 14 December 2018** Jordan, Israel & Palestinian Territories, Turkey and Greece, and option for 3 days in Rome Tour Leaders: Dr Rosemary Canavan & Rev. Anthony Dean CM **Information Session: Saturday 21 October 2017: 2.00pm to 4.00pm** RSVP & further information: Jenny Delahunt T: 9412 3314 E: [jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au](mailto:jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au). See noticeboard

**ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS Sat 28 Oct 2pm. St Brigid's, 378 Nicholson Street, North Fitzroy.** Catholic Concern for Animals, Australia invites you to the 2017 Blessing of the Animals, with celebrant Bishop Hilton Deakin. The ceremony takes place on St Brigid's front lawn. Come with your pet animal (under due control) or without. If there is rain, the service will go ahead under cover. There's plenty of parking. Refreshments will follow.

**Cost:** Free. **Details:** [johndrennan1934@yahoo.com](mailto:johndrennan1934@yahoo.com)

**OUR LADY OF MERCY COLLEGE HEIDELBERG** is pleased to announce the appointment of **Ms Judith Weir** as the new Principal of Our Lady of Mercy College Heidelberg, commencing 15 January 2018. Judith is in her tenth year as Deputy Principal-Leader of Learning for Emmanuel College, Altona North and Point Cook and her role has responsibilities across both campuses.

# What's Happening in our Parish?

**CONFIRMATION AT ST MARY'S** We welcome Confirmation candidates and their families at our Masses this weekend as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our prayers and support are with you all. May they always remember that they can turn to Jesus who is their true friend, and who will always lovingly care for them.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** meeting this **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm** in the parish house.

**CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL** Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic World Mission Appeal. This year we are invited to share our support for the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Nha Trang, Vietnam as they work tirelessly to provide critical community resources such as clean drinking water and medical care to the country's 12 million forgotten farming families, living in the coastal mountain regions. Please come prepared next weekend to give generously.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS** The next roster – December 2017 to June 2018 - will be prepared soon. If you are no longer available for your ministry, wish to change your mass time or have changed your email address, please contact Marian by **Sunday 15 October** on 0409 591 527 or [mariantacey@optusnet.com.au](mailto:mariantacey@optusnet.com.au)

**LADIES AUXILIARY** Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 10.15am** in the Parish House. Enquiries Maureen 9435 5906 or Lucy 9435 6990.

## **NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP:**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP** is meeting on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm** in the Parish House.

**ROAD SAFETY FOR SENIORS** is a program run by the RACV. As we age (gracefully) our reflexes aren't as quick as they were and this program gives safe driving hints. The Social Justice Group is organising the afternoon as a follow up to last year's Social Justice Statement on An Ageing Society. The RACV provides an hour long discussion and audio visuals. Date: **Tuesday 31 October 1.00pm** in the Gathering Space. All welcome

**2017 SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT -** Everyone's Business, Developing an Inclusive & Sustainable Economy. Copies are still available from the Piety Stall.

**ST MARY'S PARISH LIBRARY-** As the Library opens only at weekend Masses, we would like to make it available at other times. We are appealing for interested parishioners to volunteer to help staff the Library on a weekday to make this possible. The Library's collection can be seen at [cloud.collectorz.com/247780](http://cloud.collectorz.com/247780). Please contact St Mary's Parish Office: 9435 1543 or [greensborough@cam.org.au](mailto:greensborough@cam.org.au) if you would like to visit the Library and /or volunteer.

**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.

**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.

**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.

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

**CONGRATULATIONS TO MARCELLO D'AMICO -** a long time Parishioner of St Mary's who was presented with the **2017 Victorian Senior Awards - Promotion of Multiculturalism**. The award was presented to Marcello by the Governor of Victoria – Linda Dessau, on Tuesday 10 October at Government House. Fantastic Marcello. You and your family must be very proud of this wonderful achievement.

