

Rosters for This Week 2nd & 3rd June

Counting Team No. 3	Ian Veal, Frances Maloney, Tony Cutroni
Ministers of the Eucharist	5.30pm John O'Keefe, Gail Tull 8.30am Doreen Mitchell, Mary Frisby 10.30am Justine Brogna
Mass Readers	5.30pm Marcia Schobben 8.30am Stephen Littleton 10.30am Jane McLaughlin
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Eilin Taylor, Lisa Rogers 10.30am Veronica Murray, Ruth Stanley

Rosters for Next Week 9th & 10th June (Queen's Birthday Weekend)

Counting Team No. 4	Glenn McKinney, David Jamieson, Bob Paz
Ministers of the Eucharist	5.30pm Maria Laudato, John O'Keefe 8.30am Ivonne Cram, Evol Farrelly 10.30am Alison Silke
Mass Readers	5.30pm Josie Penna 8.30am Christal Augustin 10.30am Jenny Furey
Children's Liturgy	8.30am No Children's Liturgy—Queen's Birthday Weekend 10.30am No Children's Liturgy—Queen's Birthday Weekend

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Clare Twomey, Leo O'Brien, Haizil Joseph, Santhi Komatineni, Barrie Poulton.

RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

We pray for Sr. Bernadette Heath rsj, Maria Kirkwood, Maurie Kirwan, Salvatrice Pecora, Leslie Cross, Joseph Cutajar, Malcolm McAuslan, Tess Mullens, Walter Small, Joseph Cantarella, Thomas Statton, Alice Giels, Neil Fitzpatrick, Russell Dixon, Arthur Leslie, David Wilson, Carmel Close, Patricia Dorgan, Kath Charles, Vera Anderson, Helena Nahas, Bernie Diamond, Anthony Herley, Baily Blake, John Steinthal, Elsie Winifred Martin; whose anniversaries are at this time.

Tintoretto, Last Supper, 1594



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3rd June, 2018

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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Tuesday 9:15am – 4pm

Thursday 9:15am – 4pm

Friday 9:15am – 4pm

Wednesday Secretary

Kylie Skinner

8.30am–3.30pm

St. Mary's School

Principal – Jim Sheedy

Normal Mass Times

Consult bulletin inside for any changes.

Saturday at 5:30pm

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.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Exodus. 24:3-8.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will take the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews. 9:11-15.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever.

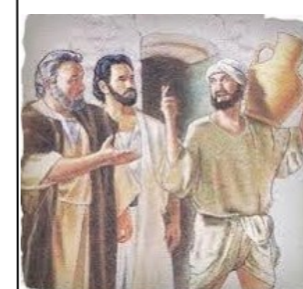
GOSPEL: MARK 14:12-16, 22-26

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will



meet you, carrying a jar of water. Follow him. Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there." The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he



took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they drank from it. He said to them "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Sunday 3rd June	11.30am Baptisms: Mia Grace Cullinan, Ethan Diamond and Benjamin William McCarthy.
Tuesday 5th June	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church. 7.30pm Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults at the Presbytery.
Wednesday 6th June (D-Day)	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Thursday 7th June	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church. 6.30pm Parish Council meeting at the Presbytery.
Friday 8th June	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,
I feel for people, who have bad health, are in a very difficult marriage situation or who have constant stress in their work environment. Yet all of us have our daily or weekly concerns, problems, worries. I have found the normal best remedy for these are the graces showered by the reception of Holy Communion. I cannot count the number of times over the years I have had a real worry or concern and it has almost disappeared through the peace and strength given by the sacrament of Holy Communion. May we more truly value the Eucharist as we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.



The winter edition of 'the Swag' writes about the importance of the coming **2020 Australian Plenary Council**. This is an event of the whole Australian Church not just the hierarchy and Pope Francis has recognised this by sending his wishes for its success only last week.

Last weekend's Pentecost Sunday heralded the launch of the journey toward the Plenary Council 2020, the highest formal gathering of all local churches in a country. **Approved by Pope Francis in March, the role of the Plenary Council is to discuss the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.**

The last time the Catholic Church in Australia held a Plenary Council was in 1937. Given that it has been more than 80 years expectations are high. Needless to say, much has changed in Australia since 1937 and there is much to discuss. Not to mention the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, which has left an indelible mark on the Church.

The Council will operate in three phases:

preparation, celebration and implementation, with the first phase commencing at the Feast of Pentecost on 20 May, 2018. For the first phase, in preparing for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: **'What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?'** Next weekend I hope to tease this out a little more when I get more time to do so in regards to the information I have so far on hand.

With the Plenary Council in mind 'the Swag' presents its fourth in a series of articles looking at the particular (provincial and plenary) councils held in Australia between Nov 14 and 29 1885, which officially brought together the Churches in Australia and New Zealand for the first time. Incidentally I wrote an article about 12 years ago for 'the Swag' in which I gave arguments for retaining the 3rd Rite as a normal way of Penance especially at Christmas and Easter. A New Zealand bishop wrote back and congratulated me on the article at that time! The biggest opponent at the time of my way of thinking was a certain Archbishop of Sydney by the name of George Pell. The dinosaur age is over and we must move into the 21st century. **Cont'.....**



In the period 1870 – 1885 fourteen particular councils were held in English speaking territories across the world: 3 in Canada, 1 in England, 1 in Ireland, 8 in the USA and 1 in Australasia. In 1884, Pope Leo X111 informed the bishops of Australia and New Zealand that he wanted a 'plenary' council to be held within two years and delegated the new Irish Archbishop of Sydney, Cardinal Patrick Moran, to convoke and preside at it. Moran convoked the 1st Australasian Plenary Council on 15 April 1885, advising all the bishops and all other clerics who had to be present by law or custom, that they were to gather at Sydney on 14 November 1885, and that the council's objectives were to emphasize the decrees of the 1st Vatican Council (1869-1870), to correct abuses in ecclesiastical discipline, to support and preserve Catholic education, and to do whatever else might promote the salvation of souls and the good of the Church. 'The Swag' article shows that the Plenary Council of 1885 was very much a clerical affair, while thankfully this most important 2020 Plenary Council will have so much more wider representation. I will go into that at another time and hopefully be able to have some discussion of same at our St Mary's Parish Council which meets every 1st Thursday of the month.

Yours "in Christ"
Fr. Greg 1/6/2018



Joseph's Corner Trivia Night

23rd August 2018

7.30pm–10.30pm

Limerick Arms Hotel, 364 Clarendon Street, South Melbourne

Tickets \$15 (simelbournequiz@gmail.com)



STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES



If you have not already done so, please collect your stewardship envelopes from the rear of the Church. Envelopes are filed in alphabetical order. Thank you for your financial assistance to the Parish.



What's on in June

Everyone's Business

28th June 1.30pm–3pm and repeated at 7.30pm to 9pm

Cost:- subsidised \$10, cost \$20, Gift \$30

A presentation on the 2017/2018 Bishops' Statement

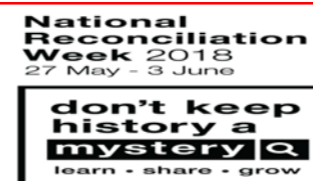
A call to all to promote a more inclusive, equitable and sustainable society. Inspired by Mt 20:1-16

FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN

14TH June 1pm–3pm

Be part of the new Garden Initiative

St Joseph's By The Sea, 16 Esplanade Williamstown, 9397 6012, admin.sjbtsw@sosj.org.au



Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



We pray this weekend that each of us can contribute to achieving this.