

Rosters for This Week 5th & 6th May

Counting Team No. 7	Mary Ward, Jean McCutcheon, Greg Morgan
Ministers of the Eucharist	5.30pm John O'Keefe, Larry Rigoni 8.30am Jeanette Thompson, Peter Kirwan 10.30am Alison Silke
Mass Readers	5.30pm John Grieve 8.30am Mary Debenham 10.30am Richard van der Merwe
Children's Liturgy	8.30am Jacqui Pace, Doreen Mitchell 10.30am Jenny Furey, Hannah Furey

Rosters for Next Week 12th & 13th May

Counting Team No. 8	Tracey Gregg, Leanne Spiteri
Ministers of the Eucharist	5.30pm Gail Tull, Mary Soppitt 8.30am Evol Farrelly, Mary Frisby 10.30am Richard van der Merwe
Mass Readers	5.30pm Emma Pinzone 8.30am Charles Hili 10.30am Peter Furey
Children's Liturgy	8.30am No Children's Liturgy. Mother's Day 10.30am No Children's Liturgy. Mother's Day

IN OUR PRAYERS

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



RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

We pray for Crispin Bevington, Rose Pattison, (Sr.) Eileen Carr, Kathryn and Joseph Bojanowski, Alicja and Jan Oruba, John Fewster, George Olsen, Gerald Laws, Michael Burrows, Ron Murphy, Ivica Ostrugnai, Bishop Joe O'Connell, Natalino Meilak, Giuseppe Pungitore, Joan Gallivan, Patricia Mary Dumble, Ivy May Jones, Pat Raffle, Josephine Fisher, Nanette Gloury, Eugenio Scolaro, Emmanuel Taliana, Lisa Dell-Antonio, Bess Whitehurst, Peter Destallis, David Adams, Daniel Keegan, Carmen Duggan, Dorothy Pierik, Jack Lourey,

Daisy Cahill, Anne McTaggart, Lorna Patterson, Olive Maguire, Jason Smith, Lisa Garrity, Elizabeth McGuigan, Sue Geddes, Geitano Vella, Kathleen Moore, James Wright, Thomas Telfer, Laurena Becroft, Ivy Hughes, Philip Cronin, Leo Mangan, Catherine Woodruff, Con Gleeson, Richard Sammut, Patricia McBride and (Fr.) Kevin Smith; whose anniversaries are at this time.

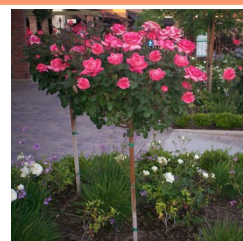


What's on in May!
FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN

10th May - 1pm-3pm

Be a part of the new Garden initiative.

St Joseph's By The Sea, 16 Esplanade Williamstown, 9397 6012,



St Mary's Parish

A community where we bring together our gifts and talents



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6th May, 2018

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Parish Office Manager-Secretary

Heidi Zahra

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

SECOND READING:

A reading from the first letter of John. 4:7-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

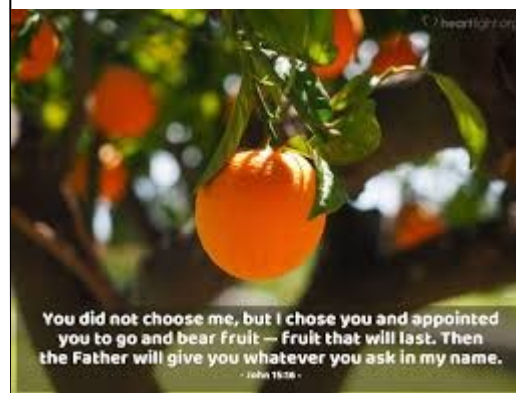
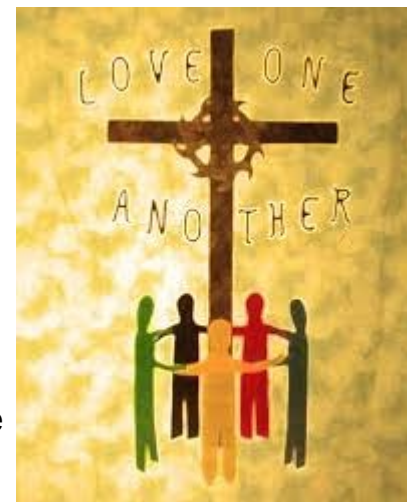
All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

GOSPEL: JOHN 15:9-17

"As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love."

I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing.

I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It is not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another.



You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit – fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name.

Tuesday 8th May	9.15am Communion service at St. Mary's Church. (Fr. Greg taking prison Mass)
Wednesday 9th May	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Thursday 10th May	9.15am Mass at St. Mary's Church.
Friday 11th May	9.15am Mother's Day Mass at St. Mary's Church. (Whole School Mass)

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

The present Principal of St Mary's school, Jim Sheedy has been on the Parish Council all the 8 years of my being Parish Priest here in Williamstown. In that time he has supported in a positive way all the main events and planning to make our Parish a more united and better one. We should all be thankful for his expertise and willingness over the last ten years. Accordingly, please feel welcome to his farewell Mass at St Mary's Church on **Sunday 27th May at 10:30am** before he leaves for a short break and then another school in the Western suburbs. This Mass will be followed by a light luncheon in the Parish Centre. Incidentally, on the Wednesday Masses I have been inviting parishioners to pray for us in the wise choice of a new Principal.

As most of you know our local regional college is Emmanuel College which has a combined campus at Point Cook and a campus just for boys at North Altona. Well, they are hosting an inaugural **'Alumni Business Breakfast'**. The special guest speaker will be Mr Charlie Bezzina – former head of the Victorian Police Homicide Squad. The idea at the College is to develop the Alumni into a vibrant, active and beneficial group for old collegians to belong to; events like this are just the beginning. The breakfast will be an opportunity for you to hear from Mr Bezzina as well as enjoy the chance to network and socialise with other former students and staff from the college over breakfast. The morning will conclude with a prize draw and for anyone with extra time on their hands a tour of the Campus.

Please see opposite page.

Our **'Way of the West'** held at the presbytery every last Wednesday of the Month at 7:30pm attempts on behalf of our parish to help both refugees and asylum seekers. It is one of the more challenging jobs I have ever come across as a priest over the years. Just for example in our last meeting we discussed some of the following: 'the need for case workers'; employment exploitation; problem of some families having to couch surf due to very little availability of cheaper housing rental; need for upgrading of literacy and life skills; building links with the Sudanese Community; Migrant and Refugee Sunday late August; Hobsons Bay Refugee Network.

If you are relatively **new to the Parish** over the last few months or year and are happy for us to have some at least basic information as a new parishioner please fill in a form on one of the back tables near front entrance door and either put it on the plate or drop into the presbytery.

A Mass count is being carried out by the whole Catholic Church in Australia in May.

Yours "in Christ"

Fr. Greg 4/5/2018



BE STILL

Gospel Reflection Easter Week 6.

Thoughts to ponder:



The more profound things are, the simpler they seem to be. The essence of the Gospel and this season focus on God's love for us and the commandment to love one another. The main purpose of religion is to unite believers with God, or more accurately that we are already united with God or might not fully realize or respond to that fundamental truth. Do I see clearly the presence of God in our world, in myself ? ? ?

Prayer: *Loving God, help me to believe that love bears all things, hopes all things and endures all things. Help me to remember this week that You are truly with me. Amen.*

Open Day 2018

We invite you to explore our College and see what makes us leaders in educating girls.

Sunday 20 May

10.00am–1.00pm

Principal's address

10.30am, 11.30am & 12.30pm

Register online at www.msj.vic.edu.au

133 Maidstone Street, Altona Ph: 8398 2000



REMINDER CHANGE OF SATURDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday night Mass will be held at **5.30pm** for the

Winter Months

(continuing until September 22nd)

GUEST SPEAKER

Charlie Bezzina,
former Vic Police
Homicide detective

2018 Alumni Business Breakfast

Wednesday 30th May 2018

7am-9am, McMahon Centre at St Paul's Campus

RSVP: 16th May 2018, Penny Cook

8325 5100 or email, pcook@ecmelb.catholic.edu.au



Christian Life Communities VIC

and

St Joseph's by the Sea, Williamstown

Invite you to

Understanding Mental Health—how do we respond?

Keynote speaker:- Dr Caroline Johnson GP

Saturday 2nd June 2018, 10am–2pm

St Joseph's by the Sea. 16 Esplanade, Williamstown

\$25—light lunch is provided.

RSVP: 25th May, chrislongman22@gmail.com

