

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*

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Tuesday 9:00am – 4.00pm

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Kylie Skinner

9:30am–1:30pm

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St. Mary's School

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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

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah. 66:10-14.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians. 6:14-18

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
and the fullness of his message live within you.

GOSPEL: LUKE 10:1-9

After this the Lord appointed seventy two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.' If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you, for the laborer deserves his payment. Do not move about from one house to another. Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.'"



Tuesday 8th July	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church 7pm- 8pm Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults at presbytery. Topic this week will be "Divine Revelation". All Welcome.
Wednesday 9th July	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church.
Thursday 10th July	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church.
Friday 11th July	9.15am Mass at St Mary's Church.

Dear Parishioners,

ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY:

The theme of this year's Aboriginal and Torres Islander Sunday this weekend is 'Sent Forth in Strength and Hope'. On the first Sunday of July each year, the Catholic Church in Australia observes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday.

When almost any colonial power such as the British Empire takes over a country it is usually done so without any real understanding or sensitivity to the native population of that land. Some other colonial powers have made even a greater mess than us, but still both the British and subsequent Australian Governments have been rather ordinary in their treatment or even appreciation of a culture steeped in Spirituality.

NATSICC was set up in 1992. **The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council** is the peak Advisory Body to the Australian Catholic Bishops on issues relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics. Each State and Territory nominates a representative via their local Aboriginal and Torres Islander Ministry. You will notice the NATSICC Logo depicts a willy willy, the wind force in the centre a symbol of God's Spirit. The round concentric circles at the top symbolise God and Life; the base depicts men and women receiving the Holy Spirit. The logo was designed by Mrs Olive Boddington, from West Australia.



Our Catholic Church is a tapestry woven from many cultures. From the enduring wisdom of the world's oldest continuing cultures – the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples – to those who have journeyed from distant lands, we are one Body in Christ. In our diversity, we discover richness. In our unity, we find strength. And in every heart, we see the Spirit of God at work.

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council invites you to enter into today's Liturgy with open hearts.

WINTER APPEAL:

There will be a winter appeal for St Vincent de Paul next weekend .

MARY CARE:

I am very thankful for the work of "Mary Care "in our parish, especially the core group. Through it we have been able to accomplish some of the following:

- **Bereavement Calls:** I cannot follow up everyone after a funeral due to my general workload. However, I do ask a trained professional counsellor from Mary Care to follow up on how certain people are progressing especially after a tragic funeral situation. This has proved very helpful.
- **Home Communion:** This small team of parishioners do a marvellous job for the sick or elderly within our parish boundaries.
- **Facility Visits:** Although I visit Wintringham and 'The Village' most of the work is done by two of our more experienced 'communion ministers'. It is great to hear of and see their work.
- **Seniors Mass + Luncheon:** "Mary Care " do a marvellous job in helping with certain important aspects of this. The set up and clean up after Seniors Lunch is most edifying.

MAINTENANCE:

At in particular the request of the Parish Council I have been trying to facilitate several necessary things needing attention at the Parish Centre. Some have already been finished such as last week getting a professional replacement sail cloth as previous one had a slit in it, but several other items should be attended to over the next month. One of those being the need for a replacement of the carpet leading into the Parish Centre at the electric door access. We have made sure the three air conditioners have been serviced in the Parish Centre just recently – they get a lot of work. The "Marian Grotto" benches have also received necessary attention and been stained as appropriate for the outside weather conditions.

APPOINTMENT OF TWO NEW BISHOPS:

Tasmania: One of our auxiliary bishops of Melbourne (from the Eastern suburbs) Tony Ireland has been appointed the new Archbishop of Tasmania. I think Bishop Tony should do well there as he is a friendly fellow and will be well liked by the Tasmanian clergy who have been hanging out for some new fresh blood.

Brisbane: The retirement of Strathmore born Mark Coleridge at the usual 75 years of age as the Archbishop of Brisbane has been met with a very suitable and capable replacement, Bishop Shane MacInlay. Archbishop Coleridge has done an incredible job in bringing unity and progressive mission steps as part of his Archdiocese. Luckily as both a gifted academic and good social mixer, Bishop Shane as his successor should continue the great work and the wonderful work of a very united clergy and archdiocese.

COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE:

Most of our parishioners over the years have communion in the hand, but I notice some new parishioners from other parishes are more into the practice of communion on the tongue. I know it is legally permissible by the Canon Law of the Catholic Church, but I suppose I would not personally encourage it for at least two reasons. Firstly, at the Last Supper when Jesus instituted the Eucharist the Apostles would not have taken Communion on the tongue but would have used their hands! "Take and eat" from Jesus would have insinuated they were reaching out to take the bread which had become his 'very presence'. Secondly, I think communion on the tongue can lead to or be a sign of scrupulosity. Scrupulosity or misguided guilt can emanate at times I believe from a wrong image of God instead of a loving Father as reflected personally in Jesus His Son.

Tap & GO: Just a little note to inform parishioners that AMEX is not accepted on the Tap & Go at the back.

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VACANT POSITIONS CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, NEWPORT AND SPOTSWOOD

The parish office for St Joseph is currently unattended and is advertising the following 2 positions:

- Parish secretary (15 hours/week) **Parish Secretary, St Joseph's Parish | Melbourne Catholic**
- Bookkeeper (4 hours/week). **Parish Bookkeeper, St Joseph's Parish | Melbourne Catholic**

If you, or someone you know, might be interested in these positions, please share the above links.

9 Newcastle St Newport, VIC 3015, Ph: (03) 9391 1201

Website: <https://www.stjosephs3015.com.au/>

LOOKING FOR A REWARDING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?

St Mary's 'Way of the West' (WOW) group assists newly arrived refugees to settle into Australian life by partnering with the Australian Government's CRISP program.

(more information is available at <https://refugeesponsorship.org.au/what-we-do/crisp/>).

In 2024 St Mary's WOW group supported a Syrian refugee mother and her two children by providing housing, financial aid, and help connecting with essential services such as education, Medicare and Centrelink. Encouraged by their experience, the group plans to assist another family in 2025 and invites others interested in helping refugees to join them.

To learn more, contact Fr. Greg Trythall on 0400 524 363 or Gerard Colla on 0416 141 772.

Rosters for this Week 5th & 6th July 2025

Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Larry Rigoni 8.30am Karen Colla, Doreen Mitchell 10.30am Maria Laudato, Eugene Yi
Mass Readers	6.00pm Josie Penna 8.30am Anthony Verhoef 10.30am Antoinetta Acquaro
Welcomers	6.00pm Maylene Clayton 8.30am Mary Frisby 10.30am Di Collins

Rosters for next Week 12th and 13th of July 2025

Counting Team 1	Frank Jones, Robyn Jones, Kimberley Jones, Paul Francis
Ministers of the Eucharist	6.00pm Beata Sicat 8.30am Evol Farrelly, John O'Keefe 10.30am Eugene Yi
Mass Readers	6.00pm Daniel Corcoran 8.30am Himali Peter 10.30am Eilin Taylor
Welcomers	6.00pm Simon Pinzone 8.30am Teofila Hunt 10.30am Joe Covelli

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Yeme Reddy, Sarah Rodgers, Assunta Delgrosso,
Anne-Marie Pelikinkakis, Danuta Kurkowski

RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

We pray for Valentina Matthews who passed away recently and Mick Coolahan, Anna Scotto Mary Dalton, Bruno Zorko, Maria D'Angelo, Guiseppe Cini, Muriel Kelly, Francis Costolloe, Antonio Sagona, Jesse Ochenden, Nicola Nardo, Roman Kin Senior (NZ), Ercole Taliana, Jim Charles, Kevin Tweedly, Helen Nahas, Emmanuel Darmanin, Edwin Poliness, Joe Pecora, Eilileen Cooney, Christopher Cooney, Eddy Welsh, Rene Hynes, Rolfe Erdman, Martin Woods, Bill Stone, Giovanna Scolaro, Nancy Sexton, Deano Cosma, Jack Lauder, Lloyd Croall, Jerome Creaney, Concetta Lo Piccolo, Alf Swallows, Mary Hyland, Michal Camilleri, Des Laurie, Clare Ryan, Aristeia Sagona, Michael Daly, Geoffrey Reid, Paul Dargo, Mona Ellis, Catherine Torrisi, Rachel Mangan, George Ulmer, Edna Kelly, Jack Richardson, Sonja Hodell, Fr. Bozo Zovko, Richard Bunting, Anthony Caccamo, Ted Hill, Domenic Edes, Salvatrice Pecora, Salvana and Emma Ursini and Margaret Campitelli; whose anniversaries are at this time.

LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

The St Mary's Parish has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your 1st Eucharist, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness. By leaving a gift to your parish in your Will, you will leave a legacy of faith, a legacy to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue both for today's needs and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.