

PARISH OF ASCOT VALE

ST MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

ST MARY'S CHURCH, 123 ST LEONARDS ROAD, ASCOT VALE
ST MARGARET'S CHURCH, BARB STREET, MARIBYRNONG

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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil:

6.00pm St Mary’s

Sunday:

8.30am St Margaret’s

10.30am St Mary’s

6.00pm St Mary’s (Spanish)

Weekday Mass Times

Mon 10.00am St Mary’s

Tue 9.00am St Mary’s

Wed 9.00am St Mary’s

7.00pm St Mary’s

Thu 9.00am St Mary’s

Fri 9.15am St Mary’s

Sat 9.30am St Mary’s

Reconciliation

(Confession)

Saturday

10.00–10.30am St Mary’s

5.30–5.45pm St Mary’s

Eucharistic Adoration

Tue 9.30–10.30am St Mary’s

Sat 10.00–11.00am St Mary’s

Baptisms at St Mary’s

Baptisms are celebrated on the
2nd & 4th Sundays of each
month at 12:00 noon.

Baptism Information Sessions
are held in St Mary’s Church
at 7:30 pm on the first Thursday
of each month. Parents desiring
the baptism of their child must
attend one of these sessions.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 2 July 2023

Feast of the Sacred Heart

St Margaret’s Grade 4 children coordinated our St Vincent De Paul’s Feast of the Sacred Heart donation drive this year. The children promoted the need to support those in our community who need a little extra help at this time. As per usual, the St Margaret’s school community were generous beyond expectations and a variety of items were collected and handed over to our local St Vincent De Paul President Bill Dwyer.

The St Margaret’s Student Voice Leaders are also busy organising a Pyjama Day fundraiser on Wednesday, July 26 with all proceeds being donated to the great work of our local St Vincent De Paul Society.

Stella Maris Open Day – 600 Little Collins St, Melbourne (Spencer St end). We are having an Open Day on SUNDAY 9TH JULY FROM 2.00 PM. Find out how this Missionary work of the Catholic Church cares & assists seafarers who visit our shores. They are often the forgotten workforce we depend on, as shipping accounts for over 99% of Australia’s total merchandise. Visitors will be offered a bus tour to the Melbourne docks!

Forum for the Voice referendum - Speaker, Dr Heather Wearne

Come and have questions answered about the issue, a most important social justice topic.

St Therese’s Parish Centre, Lincoln Road, Essendon on July 19 at 7.30pm.
We extend an invitation to St Mary’s community to come along and join us.
Contact Jacinta Hyland on 0431031036 for further information.

William Byrd’s Gradualia

Chorus Ecclesiae presents **The Four-Part Motets**

Saturday 15 July, 2023, 2.30pm

The Chapel of the Holy Spirit in Newman College

887 Swanstone Street, Parkville 3052.

Tickets can be purchased at:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CHKEF>



Time & Talent and Expressions of Interest

Responses received – 28

My sincere thanks to all who have responded indicating their current involvement or ministry in the parish or their willingness to give of some service, perhaps nominating a particular area or areas of interest. This has been a very positive process contributing towards the life of St. Mary’s Parish. Any parishioner still interested in sending a response is welcome to do so. A process such as this is open-ended.

Fr. Desmond J. Moloney

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:8-11,13-16

A reading from the book of Kings

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. He said to his servant Gehazi, 'Call our Shunammitess. Tell her this: "Look, you have gone to all this trouble for us, what can we do for you? Is there anything you would like said for you to the king or to the commander of the army?"' But she replied, 'I live with my own people about me.' 'What can be done for her then?' he asked. Gehazi answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. This time next year,' he said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 88

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the
heavens.(R.)

Happy the people who acclaim such a king,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your name,
who make your justice the source of their bliss. (R.)

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their
strength;
by your favour it is that our might is exalted;
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel.(R.)

SECOND READING

Rom 6:3-4,8-11

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Romans

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Ac 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 10:37-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Hymns:

Entrance: CWB 446 vs 1,2,7

Offertory: CWB 588

Communion: CWBII 352

Recessional: CWBII 566

Recently Deceased:

Carmela Tarquinio; Pauline Toscano; Juan Carlos Villegas; Arturo DeGuzman; Darwin Cruz

Anniversaries:

Lorna & Keith Ashton; Rocky Fernandez; Giuseppe Timpano; Maria Josefa Medina; Hubert Halili; Heaven Zerai

Feast Days:

3 July: Feast of St Thomas, apostle

4 July: St Elizabeth of Portugal

6 July: St Maria Goretti

7 July: Blessed Peter To Rot

Readings Next Week: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Zech 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Baptisms We welcome into the family of God's Church **Eliza Claire Stobaus** baptised at our parish this weekend.

St Vincent de Paul Helpline: 1800 305 330, Mon – Fri, 10am – 3pm