

GOSPEL Jn 3:16-18

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.
God sent his Son to save the world through him.
Jesus said to Nicodemus,
‘God loved the world so much
that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may
not be lost
but may have eternal life.
For God sent his Son into the world
not to condemn the world,
but so that through him the world might
be saved.
No one who believes in him will be
condemned;
but whoever refuses to believe is
condemned already,
because he has refused to believe
in the name of God’s only Son.’
The Gospel of the Lord.
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY
PROFESSION OF FAITH (Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invis-
ible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten
Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from
God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten,
not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all
things were made. For us men and for our salvation he
came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incar-
nate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake
he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death
and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accord-
ance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is
seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again
in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom
will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the
giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one,
holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism
for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resur-
rection of the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*After the priest raises the paten with the bread
and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to
each prayer:*
R. Blessed be God for ever.
P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that
my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to
God, the almighty Father.
**R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at
your hands for the praise and glory of his
name, for our good and the good of all
his holy Church.**
PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS
P. Sanctify by the invocation of your name,
we pray, O Lord our God,
this oblation of our service,

and by it make of us an eternal offering to
you.
Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.
THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up to the Lord.
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
R. It is right and just.

PREFACE OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
After the Preface, we sing or say:
**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**
THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION
P. The mystery of faith.
**All: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by
your Cross and Resurrection you have set
us free.**

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour’s command and formed by
divine teaching, we dare to say:
All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...
P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray...
**All: For the kingdom, the power and the
glory are yours now and for ever.**
P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said...
R. Amen.
P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R. And with your spirit.
P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.
All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD
**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
the world, grant us peace.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who
takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are
those called to the supper of the Lamb.
**R. Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Gal 4:6
**Since you are children of God,
God has sent into your hearts the Spirit
of his Son,
the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.**
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
P. May receiving this Sacrament, O Lord
our God, bring us health of body and soul,
as we confess your eternal holy Trinity and
undivided Unity. Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy
Spirit.
R. Amen.
P. Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your
life.
R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

WE ARE GOD’S BELOVED
In a world of unrest and at a time when
many of us could be struggling with
uncertainty and loneliness, the readings
for this Feast offer us a soulful soothing
balm. Each of the readings celebrate God
(first reading), the Holy Spirit (second
reading) and Jesus (our Gospel); our focus
is on the Gospel. The passage’s context
is about Nicodemus, a Jewish leader,
coming to Jesus ‘by night’, seeking to
understand Jesus’ relationship with God.
Jesus speaks of the importance of being
born ‘from above’.
In typical Johannine misunderstanding—
Nicodemus doesn’t understand how
we can be born ‘again’ (a confusion
with Jesus’ word ‘above’ and a play on
the Greek)—John invites the audience
(and us) to come to the heart of God’s
agenda: God is in absolute love with the
world; his Son, Jesus, becomes the fruit
of that love through whom believers, even
the searching Nicodemus, will be found
and have life eternal. This is a powerful
witness and clear statement of God’s
intention for our world. We, too, need
to hear this when there seem to be many
contrary and conflicting voices.

John’s Gospel is important for us to
know that no matter what, we are God’s
beloved; God does not judge or condemn
us. This flies in the face of those who
think, wrongly, that God is ‘out to get us’
and awaits to chalk up our misdeeds. This
is so contradictory to the God revealed
to us in Jesus. We, like Nicodemus, find
ourselves at times stumbling around ‘by
night’ as we seek to come into the light.
This is God’s gift to us on this feast as we
celebrate God’s beloved intent for us and
our world.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY / A 31 MAY 2026

A GOD OF TENDERNESS. God did not wreak vengeance on the Israelites in the wilderness when they began to worship a golden calf. Rather, God came among them in tenderness and compassion, forgave their sin and restored the covenant. This God became incarnate in Jesus and dwells among us in the Spirit. As we marvel at the unconditional love of God we exclaim: Glory and praise forever!

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
**Blest be God the Father, and the Only
Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy
Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful
love.**
GREETING
P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and
the love of God, and the communion of the
Holy Spirit be with you all.
R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT
P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us
acknowledge our sins, and so prepare
ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
**All: I confess to almighty God and to
you, my brothers and sisters, that I have
greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in
my words, in what I have done and in
what I have failed to do, (striking the
breast) through my fault, through my
fault, through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints, and you, my
brothers and sisters, to pray for me to
the Lord our God.**

P. May almighty God have mercy on
us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to
everlasting life.
R. Amen.
V. Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
V. Christ, have mercy.
R. Christ, have mercy.
V. Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA
**Glory to God in the highest, / and on
earth peace to people of good will. /
We praise you, / we bless you, / we
adore you, / we glorify you, / we give
you thanks for your great glory; / Lord
God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty
Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten
Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of
the Father, / you take away the sins of**

the world, / have mercy on us; / you take
away the sins of the world, / receive our
prayer; / you are seated at the right hand
of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For
you alone are the Holy One, / you alone
are the Lord, / you alone are the Most
High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy
Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. /
Amen.

COLLECT
P. God our Father, who by sending into the
world the Word of truth and the Spirit of
sanctification made known to the human
race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we
pray, that in professing the true faith, we
may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory
and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Ex 34:4-6, 8-9
A reading from the book of Exodus
The Lord God, ruler of all, merciful and loving.
With the two tablets of stone in his hands,
Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the
early morning as the Lord had commanded
him. And the Lord descended in the form of a
cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The
Lord passed before him and proclaimed,
‘Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and
compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness
and faithfulness.’ And Moses bowed down to
the ground at once and worshipped. ‘If I have
indeed won your favour, Lord,’ he said ‘let
my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are
a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults
and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.’

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Dan 3:52-56. R. v. 52
1. You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
Blest your glorious holy name.
R. Glory and praise for ever!



2. You are blest in the temple of your glory.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
You are blest on the throne of your
kingdom.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
3. You are blest who gaze into the depths.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
You are blest in the firmament of heaven.
R. Glory and praise for ever!

SECOND READING 2 Cor 13:11-13
A reading from the second letter of St Paul
to the Corinthians
*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love
of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be
with you all.*

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow
perfect; help one another. Be united; live in
peace, and the God of love and peace will be
with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All
the saints send you greetings.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love
of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Apoc 1:8
**Alleluia, alleluia! / Glory to the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Spirit: / to God
who is, who was, and who is to come. /
Alleluia!**

ST MARY’S PARISH, DANDENONG

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Morning: 9.15am
Saturday Evening: 6.00pm
Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am and 5.30pm

WEEK DAY MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday: 9.15am
Friday (9.45am –12.30pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, concluding with Benediction at 12.30pm)

ANNOINTING MASS

Last Friday of every month 9.15 am

DAILY ROSARY

After morning Mass Mon-Sat (Fridays will be before Mass)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after 9.15am or upon request

BAPTISM, MARRIAGE OR HOUSE BLESSING

Please contact the Parish Centre on 9791 4611

COMMUNION AND ANOINTING OF SICK

Please inform the Parish Office on 9791-4611 if a sick person is seriously ill, homebound or hospitalised and wants to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Anointing.

REGULAR GROUP MEETING ST MARY’S PARISH

LEGION OF MARY:

Saturday mornings after 9:15am mass in the Fellowship Room followed by Rosary

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP :

Wednesday evenings at 7pm in the church

ST MARY’S FRIENDSHIP CLUB:
3rd Wednesday of month lunch meet at Dandenong RSL.12pm

BINGO AT ST MARY’S

St. Mary’s Bingo is on Tuesdays at 12noon & Saturdays at 6.30pm in St Mary’s Community Centre, New St, Dandenong

COLLECTIONS

Commencing next weekend 6/7 June 2026 we will have two collections at all Masses. This is in conformity with the Archdiocese of Melbourne regulations.

1ST COLLECTION - PRESBYTERY OFFERING (after the Homily)

2ND COLLECTION – THANKSGIVING OFFERING (during the Offertory)

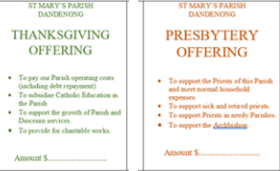
HOW WILL IT WORK

If you are in the envelope system, please tear the envelope at the perforation and place the “Presbytery Offering” section along with your donation into the 1st collection basket. Then place the “Thanksgiving Offering” section along with your donation into the 2nd collection basket.

If you are not in the envelope system, please place a donation in both collection baskets.

We thank you for your co-operation and continued support to our Parish

Please take home your new Thanksgiving Envelopes this weekend. Help us save on postage, thank you. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Franca (Parish Office) on 9791-4611



FIRST FRIDAY—HEALING MASS (ST MARY’S PARISH)

FRIDAY, 5TH JUNE 2026

6:30pm to 9:30pm Rosary, Praise & Worship, Mass, Adoration & Healing Prayers

Celebrant: Fr. Sabu Thomas Adimakiyil, VC



Thank you to all who contributed to our beautiful and spirit-filled Pentecost Sunday liturgies, especially our choirs, readers everyone who shared their gifts and talents in language at the 10:30am Mass. A sincere thank you to the **COMMITTEE** for organising such a wonderful celebration, and to all who assisted with the sausage sizzle and refreshments after Mass. We are truly grateful for the generosity, time, and dedication of so many parishioners who helped make this day so meaningful and joyful for our community.



WAYNE MANUEL COLLINS

29.12.1959-12.5.2026

VIEWING & ROSARY—THURSDAY 4TH JUNE 2026
6:30PM (ST MARY’S PARISH, DANDENONG)

FUNERAL MASS—FRIDAY, 5TH JUNE 2026
REQUIEM MASS: 11:00AM
(ST KEVIN’S, HAMPTON PARK)



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Recently Deceased: Yvonne Clare Crinall

Anniversaries: Fiorenzo Mete, Agostino Alessio, Carmelo Marcuccio & Gration Perera, Valerie & Ernest Moses

Sick: Rosa Maria Santos, Long Phan, Ush Henry Bangkal, Leti Luki, Kathleen Nelson, Jim Lynch, Bernardo, Ray Gilligan, Frank Pezzaro, Janet Augustine, Bridget Phyland, Solofuti, Samantha Vasanthy, Kevin, Maria Perez, Angela Anthony, Ray Simmons, Frank Camara, Rita Breen, Tasileta Lole-sio, Jim, Lucia Germano, Imelda Quatre-bornes, Sandra Wills, Maddie, Herve, Asis Zullah, Nacera Burekovic, Charlie Mastrogiovanni, Carla Lunardi, Russell D’Costa, Satty Lee, Ping Lo, Robyn, Fr Brendan Lane, Anne Richards, Gervais Tourmentin, Ashleigh Wills, Anthony Morri, Lyma Payne, Eva Salvacion Satuito, Fr Michael Willemsen, Vreni Bien, Robyn Campbell, Rosario Giaquinta, Joanna Van Der Ven, Ricky (The privacy legislation requires us to have written permission by an authorised person before any name can be printed) in the Marian. **(IF THERE ARE ANY NAMES THAT NEED TO COME OFF THE SICK LIST PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE)**

Melbourne **Corpus Christi** Procession
Jesus himself came near and was walking with them.

SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2PM
STARTS AT
ST PATRICK’S CATHEDRAL
CONCLUDES AT FED SQUARE

Together with Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, let us bring Christ in the Eucharist-our light-into the heart of the City of Melbourne. Communities are invited to bring their banners

MINGLE IN THE MORNING
WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please note that Confession **WILL NOT** be heard before the 6:00pm Saturday evening Mass.

Confession times are as follows:

- **Saturday:** After the 9:15am Mass
- **Weekdays (Tuesday–Friday):** After the 9:15am Mass, upon request

Parishioners are kindly invited to approach the priest after Mass if they wish to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We'd like to wish Fr Sebastian a very **Happy Birthday!** May your special day be filled with joy, blessings and the warmth of God's love.

Blessings on your Confirmation—Congratulations to the children making their confirmation this Sunday evening, may the light of the Holy Spirit always burn brightly in you.

‘God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us’. (Romans 5:5)

Lourdes, Shayne, Senaya, Harry, Nathaniel, Oneli, Kate, Aaron, Angel, Jessica, Sara, Robertho, Jessica and Thalia

May we continue to pray for these children and their families. The children’s journey of faith would not have been possible without the support of parents, family members, sponsors and teachers.

Thank you to **Episcopal Vicar, Very Rev. Fr. Andrzej Madry** for ministering the Holy Spirit to our children.



PARISH SYNOD CORNER

23. Synodality and leadership—Leadership in a synodal Church is not about control but about service. Leaders create spaces where gifts can emerge ad flourish.

24. Synodality and trust—Trust grows when people know their voices matter. Synodality helps rebuild trust within the Church and between the Church and society.

25. Synodality is demanding—Walking together takes patience, time, and effort. But the Gospel has never promised an easy path—only a fruitful one.

26. Synodality and the Holy Spirit—At the heart of synodality is trust in the Holy Spirit. Without prayer, synodality becomes mere strategy. With prayer, it becomes a path of grace.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Thanksgiving: \$1035.50 **Presbytery** \$468.50 **Loose Collection:** \$1565.00

Support our Parish If you would like to make direct payments to our bank accounts, the details are:
St Mary’s General Account: (Thanksgiving & Donations) NAB BSB: 083 347 ACC. No. 483196852
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St. Mary’s Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adult