

his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I shall be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James.

So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'Little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord.
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Shorter form Mk 5: 21-24, 35-43

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH—Nicene Creed
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. 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 incarnate 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 accordance 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 resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. O God, who graciously accomplish the effects of your mysteries, grant, we pray, that the deeds by which we serve you may be worthy of these sacred gifts. 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 I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

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: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

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 cf. Ps 102: 1
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life, O Lord, we

pray, so that, bound to you in lasting charity, we may bear fruit that lasts for ever. 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.
R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

A MATTER OF FAITH

Within the story of the healing of Jairus' daughter, Mark sandwiches the account of the woman cured by touching Jesus' cloak. The setting of a large crowd is where we see Jairus, a synagogue leader, fall at Jesus' feet and beg repeatedly for him to come and lay his hand on his daughter, twelve years of age, so she may be saved [σῶζω] and live. In contrast, within this crowd, behind Jesus, we see an unnamed woman who, haemorrhaging for twelve years, suffered much despite seeking help from many physicians, and is worse off economically and physically. We hear this woman's thoughts 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be saved [σῶζω].' Owning up, she also falls before him. Jesus calls her 'My daughter' and tells her that her faith has saved [σῶζω] her. Immediately the message comes that the girl is dead but Jesus says, 'Don't be afraid; only have faith'. Jesus goes with only three close disciples, no crowd, and finds the child is not dead but asleep. The mourners are turned out and Jesus takes her hand saying 'Talitha cum'. She arises and walks.

The story of the unnamed woman informs the audience then and now how we are saved through faith. Jesus' encouragement not to be afraid, and only to have faith, is intended for us also in face of all that comes to us, even death. The Wisdom reading stresses that 'death was not God's doing' and the Gospel reveals God's saving grace in Jesus.

DR ROSEMARY CANAVAN

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

30 JUNE 2024

SHE FELL AT HIS FEET AND TOLD HIM THE WHOLE TRUTH. In today's Gospel, before raising to life the young daughter of a synagogue official, Jesus restores health and wholeness to an 'untouchable', a woman whose 'uncleanness' debars her from synagogue worship. She is remarkable as much for her courage as for her faith. Are there any people for whom we have no place in our parish community?

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 46: 2
All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

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.
P. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
P. You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.
R. Christ, have mercy.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.
R. Amen.

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. O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand

in the bright light of truth. 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 Wis 1: 13-15; 2: 23-24
A reading from the book of Wisdom.

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.
To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying.
Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

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

RESP PSALM Ps 29: 2, 4-6, 11-13. R. v. 2
R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me / and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. / O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, / restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. **R.**
2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, / give thanks to his holy name. / His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. / At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **R.**
3. The Lord listened and had pity. / The Lord came to my help. / For me you have changed my mourning into dancing. / O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. **R.**

SECOND READING 2 Cor 8: 7, 9, 13-15
A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Your abundance should supply their want.
You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember



how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. 2 Tim 1: 10
Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mk 5: 21-43
P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched

PARISH PRIEST: Fr. Sebastian Arockia
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PARISH SECRETARY: Franca Van Bostel
FINANCE OFFICER: Deslene de Niese
GARDENER/CARETAKER: Mr. Kevin McLaren
PARISH CENTRE MANAGER:
Mr. Miguel Matamala

If you urgently need a priest please call 9791 4611, if Father does not answer, please leave a message and he will call you back.

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)

ANOINTING MASS

Last Friday of every month 9.15 am

DAILY ROSARY

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after 9.15am Mass and 5pm to 5.45pm
before 6pm Mass or upon request

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Centre on 9791 4611

MARRIAGE

Please book the Church at the same time as you book your venue. As marriage preparation is an essential condition of marriage, you must book your **preparation course** at least **4 months** prior to the wedding. Further details can be obtained from Fr. Sebastian

HOUSE BLESSING

If any Parishioner would like their house to be blessed, please contact Franca or at the Parish office on 9791-4611 to make a booking with either Fr Sebastian

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.

Any parishioners who take Communion to the sick, could you please put your name and the person you are taking Communion to, into the **Communion to the Sick** book. This book is kept in the sacristy.

St. Mary's Primary School Phone: 9791 7650
New St, Dandenong.

Principal: Terry Gardiner
St. John's Regional College Phone 9791 3366
Caroline St, Dandenong.

Principal: Timothy Hogan
St. Mary's Community Centre 9792 4884
Bookings: Miguel Matamala 0402 155 192

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

**24 HOUR
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**



5th July 2024 – First Thursday of the month commencing after mass and concluding with Benediction on Friday 6th July 2024, before 9:15am Mass.

Your personal invitation – This invitation is from Jesus, and it is personal to you! To spend just one hour with Him.

In the Garden of Gethsemane Jesus reminds us of this invitation:
“*Could you not keep watch for one hour with me?*”
God gives us 168 hours each week-
could we not give one hour back to Him?

**FIVE FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION
7TH JULY 2024**

The SECOND of the first FIVE Saturday Devotion

8:00am – Adoration, Rosary and Benediction
9:15am – Mass and Confession
St Mary's Parish, 160 Foster Street, Dandenong



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or do you know someone who is? Are you a person in search of the meaning of life? Are you a Christian wishing to find out more about the Catholic Church? Are you a Catholic looking for an adult appreciation of your faith? **The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is the normal process by which the Catholic Church welcomes new members, and we **will walk with you on your journey of discovery**. This journey of discovery begins with a time of discernment and Enquiry, continues through a period of Catechumenate, reaches its highpoint at the celebration of Easter, and concludes with a period of further deepening of and living the Christian faith. There will be a series of **Enquiry Nights** for those interested in learning more about becoming a Catholic. They will take place on (dates yet to be confirmed) **in the Parish Meeting Room**. For further info, please contact the parish office on 9791-4611. If you would like to be part of the Parish RCIA team please speak to Fr Sebastian or the Parish Office.

**ROSTERS ARE NOW READY PLEASE COLLECT
FROM CHURCH FOYER**



**DANDENONG DEANERY COUNCIL
LISTENING TO THE VOICES THAT ECHO—
The Year Of PRAYER**

DATE: Wed 17th July 202 **VENUE:** St John's Regional College, Graduate's Restaurant, Caroline Street, Dandenong
NEW START TIME: 5.45pm for 6pm start.
COST: \$48 3 course meal Wine & Beer.
GUEST SPEAKER: TBA
RSVP: by Frid.12th July at the latest
Cash / Cheque or direct into bank only, as we do not have Card facilities.

**STREAMS OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE
8TH-22ND SEPTEMBER 2024**

Fr Sebastian Arockia and the parish of St Mary's Dandenong would like to invite you for a 14-day Streams of Mercy pilgrimage, departing on the 8th of September 2024. This pilgrimage features Prague, Warsaw, Krakow, Budapest, Zagreb, Medjugorje, for an all-inclusive price of \$7990 (30 pilgrims). The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides. For enquiries & bookings, call 03 8839 6615 or email us pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au

THE OPEN DOOR

Centering Prayer Meditation

The simple way of allowing the presence and action of God in one's life begins with a body meditation and silence followed by watching one of the experts on YouTube/DVD. All welcome
When: Every Tuesday (during school term) 2.30pm – 3.30pm
Followed by a cuppa 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Where: The Open Door, 110 Ann St, Dandenong
Enquiries: Ph 9791 8664 or E: Theopendoor@ssjg.org.au
Gold Coin donation is welcome



“Is there more to life than this?”

Alpha is an evangelisation program that is aimed at bringing people to Jesus, by addressing questions such as these in a welcoming atmosphere. We are inviting parishioners of St Mary's to join us at St Gerard's
Parish hall in North Dandenong on Tuesday 25th June from 6pm – 8pm for an information session on how Alpha can be used to build up a parish community. If you would like to be a part of the program, please contact Jeff Zaher on 0477 188 883 or St Mary's Parish Office on 9791-4611 to express your interest in attending the information session.



Meditation & Mindfulness in the Christian Tradition -
10x Thursday, 12 Sept – 14 Nov 2024, 11am–12pm (in-person event)
Roland Ashby This series offers a beautiful space to stop for an hour to explore the ancient way of contemplation and tap into a deep spring of love, joy, peace and compassion at the centre of being. Bookings via <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/meditation-mindfulness-in-the-christian-tradition-sem2/?> or email info@heartoflife.melbourne. Cost \$100 for the series.

ROSTER WEEKEND 6-7TH JULY 2024

READERS

6:00pm: Ruth Kirpalani & Ramona Dias
8:30am: Hannie Talora & Elisapeta Luamanu
10:30am: Zoe Fernadez & Ofelia Alvarado
5:30pm: Angela Hartin & Michelle Tordillo

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

6:00pm: Elizabeth, Theresa & Bibiana
8:30am: Greta Pereira, Maria De Petra & Joanna Van Der Ven
10:30am: Thorwald & Edith Philipp & Anna Minenna
5:30pm: Marie Michel, Graham Newberry & Wilma Nunez

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR
PRAYERS**

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Doreen Warren, Florencia Alvarez, Severino Punay, Acela Brunola Coyoca, Evelio Campos, Michelle Deworsp, Nelson Manion

Sick: Rosa Maria Santos, Long Phan, Ush Henry Bangkal, Leti Luki, Kathleen Nelson, Anthony Andrew, Jim Lynch, Emmanuel Bernardo, Ray Gilligan, Frank Pezzaro, Janet Augustine, Bridget Phyland, Desmond Hopper, Vincenzo Adrian, Tracey, Chris Grubb, Marivic Cabuhath, Lea Kirchhof, Patricia Villella, Tito Ioane Solofuti, Samantha Vasanthy, Kevin, Michael Conroy, Pauline D'Souza, Jim, Maria Perez, Vicki Linossi, Vanessa Curcio, Alan John Borninkhof, Angela Anthony, Ray Simmons, Frank Camara, Rita Breen, Katrina, Tasileta Lolesio, Andrew Jackson, Imelda Quatrebornes, Charlie Mastrogiovanni, Pat Lochery
(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)

**REGULAR GROUP MEETING
ST MARY'S PARISH**

LEGION OF MARY:

Saturday afternoons 4.30pm-5.30pm in the Fellowship Room.followed by Rosary before 6pm Mass

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP :

Wednesday evenings at 7pm in the church

AL-ANON : Tuesday evenings at 8pm in the Fellowship Room. For more information call 1300 252 666

**VINCENTIAN RETREAT
CENTRE:**

Fridays Mass with healing prayer 7pm

ST EPHREM CHALDEAN CHURCH:

Sundays Mass (Arabic) 12.30pm

ST MARY'S FRIENDSHIP CLUB:

3rd Wednesday of month lunch meet at Dandenong RSL.12pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Thanksgiving: \$555.00 **Presbytery**\$213.00
Loose: \$2036.00

Bank Account: St Mary's General Account
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SAFEGUARDING AT ST MARY'S PARISH—

All volunteers in the Parish must have a Working With Children Check and sign the Safeguarding Code of Conduct. If your WWCC is out of date, could you please update this and provide the parish with a copy. Online training, Safeguarding Essentials, also needs to be completed yearly. To access this go to <https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding>. A WWCC ID and email address is necessary for this. A copy of the Safeguarding Code of Conduct is available at the Parish Office.