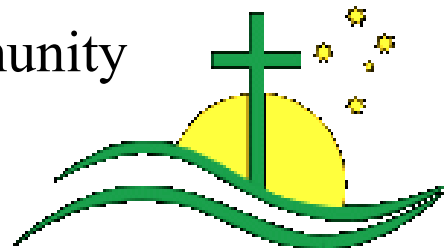




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First Sunday of LENT, 5-6 March, 2022

Station of the Cross is on
Friday evenings at 7pm in the Church

International Women's Day

(this article is extracted from the International Women's Day website)

International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. Significant activity is witnessed worldwide as groups come together to celebrate women's achievements or rally for women's equality. International Women's Day has occurred for well over a century with the first gathering held in 1911



Marked annually on March 8th, International Women's Day (IWD) is one of the most important days of the year to:

- celebrate women's achievements
- raise awareness about women's equality
- lobby for accelerated gender parity
- fundraise for female-focused charities

The campaign theme for International Women's Day 2022 is #BreakTheBias. Whether deliberate or unconscious, bias makes it difficult for women to move ahead. Knowing that bias exists isn't enough. Action is needed to level the playing field.

Purple, green and white are the colors of International Women's Day. Purple signifies justice and dignity. Green symbolizes hope. White represents purity, albeit a controversial concept. The colors originated from the Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU) in the UK in 1908.

International Women's Day is not country, group, nor organization specific. No one government, NGO, charity, corporation, academic institution, women's network, or media hub is solely responsible for International Women's Day. The day belongs to all groups collectively everywhere. Gloria Steinem, world-renowned feminist, journalist and activist once explained "The story of women's struggle for equality belongs to no single feminist, nor to any one organization, but to the collective efforts of all who care about human rights." So make International Women's Day your day and do what you can to truly make a positive difference for women.

Weekday Masses

Monday
9am Mass

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Weekend Mass

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 9am, 11am and 6pm

Please note Sunday 11am is also
ONLINE

Please click on this link to follow

<https://youtu.be/Fl42-SClaWw>

Reconciliation
Saturday at 10-10.30am

Priests:
Fr Brendan Connell CP (PP)
Fr Luke Bulley CP

Parish Staff:
Gillian Velupillay (Bursar)
Didi Karkas (Secretary)

Passionist Community
Fr Brian Gleeson CP
Fr Kevin Hennessy CP

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Principal
Mrs Mary Lucas

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Principal
Mr Paul Gleeson

St John's
Regional College
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Principal
Mr Tim Hogan

The purpose of the International Women's Day website is to support the supporters, and in doing so it provides a platform to help forge positive change for women. Three central beliefs underpin and guide the purpose and provisions of the International Women's Day website:

- Identifying, celebrating and increasing visibility of women's achievements can help forge equality
- Strategic collaborations based on a foundation of shared purpose, trust and appreciation can impact positive change for women
- worldwide awareness-raising via meaningful narratives, resources and activity can help combat gender bias and discrimination to accelerate gender parity

International Women's Day will always be needed as there's no place for complacency. According to the World Economic Forum, sadly none of us will see gender parity in our lifetimes, and nor likely will many of our children. Gender parity will not be attained for almost a century.

'There's urgent work to do - and we can all play a part'

STATION OF THE CROSS (during LENT)

We will have Station of the Cross every Friday evening during Lent. This will start from Friday 11 March through to 8 April from 7pm.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION PROGRAM

(only for school children)

Thank you to all who have attended the Introduction Night last Tuesday. This session will be followed by 3 session in the classroom (or ASRE for those attend non parish schools)

Below are more important dates for this program

- Final Family Night is Tuesday, 29th March 2022 at 7pm in the Church
- Sacrament of Reconciliation Service is on the 5th of April 2022 at 7pm

For children who attend non parish schools, you are required to attend After School Religious classes (ASRE) which will be held on **Tuesdays on the 8th, 15th & 22nd of March** from 4pm to 5pm at the Parish Office

ST PAUL APOSTLE NORTH SCHOOLS REGISTRATION

Enrolments are being taken now for Prep 2023 and 2024.

Open Days for Term 1: Sunday Feb 27th, 11:00am - 2:00pm

Thursday March 17th, 11:30am - 1:30pm

Wednesday March 30th, 11:30am - 1:30pm

Play Group: Every Tuesday 11:30am - 1:00pm These sessions are free and are a lovely way to meet other families. Please visit the school at 76 Mossiel Park Drive for a tour or ring 9700 6068. Facebook and Instagram: Please follow us at 'St Paul Apostle North School'

DEANERY DINNER

Dandenong Deanery is organizing a dinner on **WEDNESDAY, the 9 March 2022** at the Graduate Restaurant, St. John's Regional College (Caroline St, Dandenong)

The theme is 'Listening to the voice of the echo Support in Family Struggles/ Mental Health in times of COVID'

Time is 5.30pm for 5.45pm start

Cost is \$35 per person or \$65 for two

(included is a 3 course meals with wine and beer)

RSVP by 4th March 2022

If you are interested please contact Paddy - Dandenong deanery on 0422 296 961 or email dandenongdeanery@live.com.au

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND SAFETY

This prayer comes from a prayer group which include some of our parishioners. We are going to pray this prayer together through to Easter (during weekend Masses)

Readings:

First Sunday of Lent Year C

Deut 26: 4-10;

Rom 10: 8-13;

Lk 4: 1-13

Second Sunday of Lent Year C

Gen 15: 5-12, 17-18;

Phil 3: 17-4: 1;

Lk 9: 28-36

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This weekend we pray for:

Those whose sick

Kismo, Rene Weston, Christakis Isodiou, Sam Hili, Mary Hili, Nestor Santos, Collette, Angelo Fernandes, Marcia Fernandes, Reginald, Annette Perera, Hiran, Ronald Peters, Pinky, Godfrey Joseph, Andr s, Kirk Smaller, June Smaller, Camilla D'Rozario, Sr. Serafina, Bryony, Findlay Lawless, Gaetan Clark, Ismael Bermudez, Domenica Lombardi, Dwayne Edmonds, Anne Ghatt, Chase McCarthy, Irma Aiello, Graham Hawkesworth, Esric Jackson, Emily Broadbent, and All those in aged care or homebound with chronic health issues

Those who have died

Giovanna Satragno, Graciano Alves, Ivan E. McPherson, Peter Loh, Jan Jung Lim, Michael Cantsilieris, Carmen Bezzina, Manuel Duarte, Peter Mumburi, Keith Augustus, Baby Isabella Mae, Claire Packeer, Angelo Tucci, Sydney Platcher, Cyril Hendricks, Gilbert Pereira, Janet Kanakeswaran, **and all who are named in our church memorial book**

May they rest in peace



We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

