



Sunday 30th October 2022

Parish Priest: Fr. Steven Rigo **Assistant Priests:** Fr. Tao Pham & Fr. Martin Tanti

Parish Pastoral Associates: Sandy Starbuck & Sr. Margaret Sapsford

The Partnered Parishes of:

St. Mary's

204 Grimshaw St.,
Greensborough, 3088

Parish: 9435 1543 **Presbytery:** 7036 9329

Email: Greensborough@cam.org.au

Website: www.cam1.org.au/greensborough

Secretaries: Francesca Olofsson & Sharon Prosser

Mass Times

Tuesday to Friday: Mass 9.15am

Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday: Mass 8.00am, 10.00am & 5.00pm

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 5.45pm-6.15pm before evening Mass

Parish School Principal

Mrs. Marisa Matthys **Ph:** 9433 4000 **or Email**
principal@smgreensborough.catholic.edu.au

Sacred Heart & St Peter's

25 Gipson Street,
Diamond Creek 3089

Parish: 9401 6361

Email: DiamondCreek@cam.org.au

Website: www.pol.org.au/diamondcreek

Secretary: Pat Guatta

Mass Times

Wednesday & Friday: Mass 9.15am

St Peter's: 1st & 3rd Saturday 7.15pm

Sunday: Mass 9.00am

Reconciliation Times

Friday: 9.45am to 10.15am

Parish School Principal

Mr. Jim O'Sullivan **Ph:** 9438 1590 **or Email**
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St. Thomas the Apostle

251 Diamond Creek Road,
Greensborough Nth 3088

Parish: 9434 7373

Email: greensboroughnorth@cam.org.au

Website: www.pol.org.au/greensboroughnorth

Secretary: Lisa Leahy

Mass Times

Tuesday & Thursday: Mass 9.15am

Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.00pm

Sunday: Mass 10.30am

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.30am to 10.00am

Parish School Principal

Mr David Delaney **Ph:** 9434 4565 **or Email**
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THE CELEBRATION OF MASS IN OUR PARISHES



No matter how far we stray, God always welcomes us back.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

30th October 2022.

<https://www.australiancatholics.com.au/article/scripture-reflection--the-son-of-man-has-come-to-seek-out-and-save-what-was-lost>

Sacred Heart, St Mary's & St Thomas the Apostle are all members of the Diamond Valley Deanery.

Diamond Valley Deanery

www.diamondvalleydeanery.org.au

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

www.cam.org.au



Our Partnered Parishes respectfully acknowledge the Wurundjeri people who are the traditional custodians of this land and we pay respect to the Elders past and present.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST MARY'S

Vision Statement "To be a vibrant Christian community engaging with the world"

PARISH OFFICE HOURS—Tuesdays 9am-5pm, Thursdays and Fridays 10am-4pm. Please send any bulletin contributions to greensborough@cam.org.au by 2pm Wednesday to ensure inclusion in the weekend combined bulletin. Thank you



DUE TO STAFF TRAINING FROM CAM, THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY 3RD NOVEMBER FROM 10.30AM TO 1.00PM

LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS:

LADIES AUXILIARY As we are unable to have a Parish Fete this year we are planning a number of stalls in the Gathering space after weekend Masses.

29th/30th.Oct plant sale & sale of tickets for Christmas stocking.

5th/6th.Nov. Sale of tickets Christmas Stocking.

26th/27th.Nov. Variety stalls lots of bargains & sale of plants.



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mamitchem@gmail.com if you would like to attend practices so that music can be arranged.

TENNIS PLAYERS REQUIRED - St. Mary's Tennis Club would like to hear from anyone interested in playing in Junior or Senior competitions next season, commencing February 2023. We have teams entered in daytime and nighttime competitions. For more information please email stmarystennis56@gmail.com or phone 9438-3559.

FURNITURE AVAILABLE—If you need some tables and chairs, the Parish has some used ones available. There are a few trestle tables of approximately 2 metres in length. They are chipboard, grey laminated. There are also and a number of bluey/grey cloth covered chairs. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested. A small donation would be appreciated. Thank you.



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: First Friday of month, after 9.15am Mass to 3pm. Spend whatever time you can. All Welcome.

ST MARY'S PRAYER SHAWL GROUP: Meets in the Gathering Space 10am - 12pm on Mondays. Enquires: Maureen Leahy—0407 687 517; Anne Fleming— 0409 234 326 .

You are invited to join us on a contemplative journey this Advent

from Nazareth to Bethlehem and beyond....

The 4 week journey on Zoom commences Thursday 10th November at 7.30pm.

All are welcome. Further details to follow.

Contact: Jo on 0411045572. Iris on 0411409968 Michelle on 0432316777



HAVE YOU CONSIDERED REMEMBERING ST. MARY'S PARISH IN YOUR WILL?

As a measure of your appreciation of the life of the Parish, in your life, it can be a way of leaving a legacy with St Mary's. There is no compulsion to do so, but you may feel this is a way of showing your appreciation to St Mary's. We understand that including a charity in your Will is a very personal decision and one be carefully considered. We appreciate that your family and loved ones should always come first, and believe it is important to talk with them about your intentions and why leaving a gift to St Mary's Greensborough is important to you.

Philanthropy Australia is the national peak body for philanthropy and it defines a Bequest as the following: "A gift made available upon the donor's death by provision in their Will. A Bequest can be a specific sum of money, an item or piece of property or a percentage of an Estate". If you would like to explore this more please consider taking a brochure from the Gathering Space and for further information please visit the Parish website.



CURRENT VACANT ROLES LISTED ON THE MELBOURNE CATHOLIC WEBSITE.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Catholic Development Fund

Account Executive – Bunbury WA

Integration Engineer

Risk & Compliance Analyst

Parish Positions

Pastoral Worker - Westernport Parish, Hastings

Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC) Educator – St Peter Apostles Parish, Hoppers Crossing

Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC) Program Coordinator - St Peter Apostles Parish, Hoppers Crossing

Evangelisation Coordinator - St Catherine of Siena Parish, Caroline Springs

Parish Secretary/Finance Administrator - St Kevin's Parish, Templestowe

Parish Secretary – St Kevin's Parish, Hampton Park

Parish Secretary/Finance Administrator - St Joseph's Parish, Chelsea

Pastoral Worker – St Luke's, Lalor

Administration Assistant - St Vincent de Paul & St Monica Parishes, Strathmore & Moonee Ponds

Pastoral Worker - St Kevin's Parish, Templestowe

Other Positions

Director of Operations – Toongabbie, NSW. For further information please visit <https://catholicjobsonline.com.au/job/director-of-operations-toongabbie-nsw/>

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

ARCHDIOCESE AND COMMUNITY NEWS.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA: In response to the devastating floods in Pakistan, ACN is sending emergency help by providing emergency aid to over 5000 families, in the form of food packages for one month, cash grants for the most vulnerable families, mobile health units, temporary shelters and even basic – but essential – items such as mosquito nets and repellent. Damaged churches and community infrastructure must be repaired to shelter victims of the flooding. To make an offering to the Church in Pakistan. Visit: www.aidtochurch.org/pakistan

**BUILD
BRIGHTER
FUTURES
FOR FAMILIES
IN EMDIBIR**

On behalf of Fr Habte, the community and church members in Emdibir, Ethiopia, thank you so much for your generous support through last week's Catholic Mission Appeal.

Your gift is helping to ensure that many families have the opportunity to access skills training and employment. Your generosity is also supporting many other mission programs for children and communities around the world.

To learn more about the impact of your support, visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work, where you can also sign-up for our regular newsletter.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/families



PARTNERED PARISHES NEWS

COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE 2022

ALL NEW KIA PICANTO TO BE WON



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| 1st Prize: | Kia Picanto S 1.25ltr Auto |
| 2nd Prize: | Coles/Myer gift Card to the value of \$5,000. |
| 3rd prize: | Coles/Myer gift Card to the value of \$2, 000. |
| 4th Prize: | Coles/Myer gift Card to the value of \$1,000. |
| 5th & 6th Prize: | Coles/Myer gift Card to the value of \$500. |

Tickets \$2.00 each (cash only) Drawn Saturday December 3rd 2022 Tickets on sale now until Sunday 30th October

Victorian Commission for Gambling Regulation Raffle Permit No 10389/22

Ticket available from Sacred Heart, Parish after Mass or contact the Parish office.

FLOOD APPEAL-SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St Vincent de Paul's Flood Appeal for those who have been effected by these devastating floods particularly in the north of the State. Contributions can be made by:

- * Calling 131812.
- * Visit: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>
- * Making a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase:
- * Via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.



Please keep those who have been impacted by the floods as well as the volunteers and emergency workers assisting them in their needs at this challenging time in your prayers.

CARING FOR SURVIVORS OF ABUSE

One of the very important issues that came out of the Plenary Council consultation process across Australia was the hurt and sorrow caused by child sexual and other abuse by members of Catholic clergy and other individuals associated with the Church. Parishioners in our three parishes were keen for action to be taken locally and across our country to stand with those affected, recognise the pain and grief experienced and work towards reparation and healing in the Church.

Mary Ellen Davis, consultant psychologist from Carelink, has been invited to speak to us about the impact of sexual and other abuse on survivors and how we may provide care and support to anyone who has experienced abuse. Carelink provides professional support and care for adults (and their families) who have experienced clerical abuse or abuse associated with the Church.

Please join us on **Wednesday 9 November at 7pm in St Mary's Gathering Space** for this important interactive presentation.

Refreshments provided.

Please **RSVP by Friday 4 November** to:

- ◆ St Mary's Parish Office on 9435 1543 (Tuesday, Thursday or Friday) or email: greensborough@cam.org.au
- ◆ St Thomas Parish Office on 9434 7373 (Tuesday – Friday) or email: greensboroughnorth@cam.org.au
- ◆ Sacred Heart Parish Office on 94016361 (Tuesday-Friday) or email: diamondcreek@cam.org.au

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SACRED HEART & ST PETER'S



Baptisms: we pray for Olivia, Joshua, Fiorina and Elora who will be welcomed into the Sacred Heart community in October.

Parish Fundraiser Craft Market: Thank you to everyone who supported the Craft Market and for donating cakes, plants, buying raffle tickets. More details will follow when some reserved items have been paid for and collected. Profit may be over \$3,500.00.

COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES CAR RAFFLE \$2 TICKETS OR BOOKS AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH AND PARISH OFFICE.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 27th has been set aside as a **REMEMBRANCE MASS** FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED THIS YEAR. You are invited to come and remember them, you will also have the opportunity to remember those you have loved and lost. Frank on behalf of the funeral ministry.

Hurstbridge Church Photos: Our team organising the St Peter's 50th Anniversary Celebration Saturday 3rd December are requesting photos of Weddings, Baptisms, First Eucharist etc celebrations taken in the last ten years. Please forward any photos to Maree Frisby mareefrisby@gmail.com

Senior Moments: Wednesday 2nd November 12pm Lunch at Bridges Restaurant Hurstbridge. Please contact Margaret Jose 9438 1540 for bookings.

Wednesday 16th November 12 pm Lunch and Games in the Parish Centre

Parish Pastoral Council: Suggestion box in back of church. Email: ppcdiamondcreek@gmail.com

PARISH CRAFT MARKET THANK YOU

The Sacred Heart Parish Pastoral Council is deeply grateful to the many parishioners who generously supported our Parish Craft Market last Sunday. Your donations of cakes, plants, produce and preserves were very much appreciated.



We would particularly like to thank Pat Guatta, Megan Ioannidis, Claire Ledda and Jenny Orso for their wonderful efforts.

Margaret Farrell

Chair of Sacred Heart PPC

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Rosters

Sunday 6th November 9am Sacred Heart

Reader: M. Walsh **Commentator:** T. Jenkins **Eucharistic Ministers:** A. Schellens, T. Sirianni

Saturday 5th November 7.15pm St Peter's

Reader: Amindha **Commentator:** P. Leonard **Eucharistic Ministers:** Volunteers

Our prayers have been asked for sick parishioners and friends that they may be healed & comforted during this time:

Lina Molinaro, Catherine Leonard, Peter Mejak, Joan Moran, Margaret Holland, Bridie Burke,

Mary Rafferty, Thomas Keenan, Mervyn Bourke, Jacob Draper, Vi Hurley, Kevin Hurley

We pray for those who have died and all those whose Anniversaries occur in the month of October that they may enter Joyfully into God's Kingdom:

Felicia Ongarello, Salvatore Caputo, Fr Leo Pascoe, Colin Elliott, Emma Goodge, Patrick Finlayson, Maurie Roadley,

Wade Robinson, Dianne Galea,

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST THOMAS

Baptisms: We pray for Jack, Mila and Hudson who will be baptised later this month.

Square Tap Machine: *Now that our property has been connected to the NBN we are now able to process donations on the Square Tap Machine more efficiently.*

Parish Pastoral Council: The next meeting of our PPC will be on Wednesday 16th November at 7.00pm

Email: stthomasppc@gmail.com

The new sets of thanksgiving envelopes commencing 6th November are now ready for collection.

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Rosters for Weekend 5th & 6th November

Saturday 6.00pm

Reader: P. Carty

Commentator: D. Haesler

Eucharistic Ministers: L. Leahy, J. Bohan, T. Holland

Set Up: C. Leahy

Sunday 10.30am

Reader: Volunteer

Commentator: M. Bates

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Piccolo, C. Riordan, A. Letzia

Set Up: C. O'Brien

Fr Rigo will bless our plaque for the victims and survivors at the conclusion of the 10.30am Mass this Sunday the 30th of October.



Andrew lifting the height of the seating out the front of the Church.

St Thomas prayers are asked for the following Parishioners:

Our prayers have been asked for sick parishioners and friends that they may be healed & comforted during this time:

Peg Wilcox, Miran Kasalo, John Iacobucci, Anadelko Korculanin, Robert Kasic

We pray for those who have died including Desiree Haramis and all those whose Anniversaries occur in the month of October that they may enter Joyfully into God's Kingdom:

Guido Pariocco, Mary Moran, Helen Paul, Shirley Fraser, Katherine Biskup, Marianna Sacchetta, Reg Carr, Francis Bohan, Bill Watson, Pat Pelly, Frank Green, Grace Money, Betty Hannah, Nedilja Paleka, Sofija Zilic, Rocco Di Pierro



Lectionary Art and Reflection by Jenny Close

Many vertically challenged males overcompensate for their lack of inches by being arrogant, but in this story a small man's desire for renewal overcame his need for dignity. When Zacchaeus climbed that sycamore tree and peeped through the leaves he saw the one person who could change his life around.

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First Reading Wis 11:22-12:2

You have mercy on all things because you love everything that exists.

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground.

Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent.

Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it.

And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you?

You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14. R. see v.1

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

1. I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. (R.)
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. (R.)
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Thes 1:11-2:2

The name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him.

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 19:1-10

The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which was lost.

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The change of seasons is always an opportune time to marvel at the magnificence of the natural world of which we are a part. Its colours, its textures, its smells all reflect the limitless imagination of the creator. Perhaps the most marvellous feature of the world is the interconnectedness of all the elements of which it consists. Somehow the spirit of the creator is manifested through each and every aspect of this universe. And we are part of it all. The universe may be as a grain in the balance or a drop of morning dew, but each grain and each drop contains within it the possibilities of the future.

Offering hospitality is a profound social act. When we offer hospitality, we invite another into our world, into our lives. We shift our attention from our own cares and concerns to the needs and comfort of the other. By the act of hospitality we transform strangers into friends and intimates, just as Jesus did with Zacchaeus. The hospitality that Jesus offers dissolves all constraints. Relationships disregard the biased measures of propriety, forging bonds of reconciliation and issuing everyone an invitation to intimacy. The hospitality that Jesus offers recreates the world from one of insider versus outsider to one of universal inclusivity. Sinners become friends, the lost are found, and all are restored to the rightful place as children not merely of Abraham but of God. The creativity of the creator is matched by the compassion of the re-creator.

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