



# WELCOME TO ST MARYS PARISH

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# The Living Word

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

14 June 2026

## First Reading Ex 19:2-6

*A reading from the book of Exodus*

*You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.*

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp.

Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."

## Responsorial Psalm

PPs 99:2-3. 5. R. v.3

*(R.) We are his people:  
the sheep of his flock.*

1. Cry with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy. (R.)
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his  
flock (R.)
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

## Second Reading Rom 5:6-11

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

*We have been reconciled to God through the  
death of his Son; we are saved by his life.*

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the

death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

## Gospel Acclamation Mk 1:15

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*The kingdom of God is near;  
repent and believe the Good News!  
Alleluia!*

## Gospel Mt 9:36 – 10:8

*A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to Matthew*

*He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.*

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'



## Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The major themes today are call and discipleship. Most of us are rather insignificant in the eyes of the broader society. And even those who are well known or in some way famous are still just simple human beings with needs and fears and dreams like the rest of us. Yet we have been called by God. This is what makes us special. Paul picks up this theme in his development of justification. He argues that we are special because when we were still sinners we were justified. All this has come to us as a pure gift from God. It is God who calls; it is God who chooses; it is God who justifies. If we are to boast, we must boast in God.

Paul further teaches that good works do not gain faith. It is the other way around. It is faith that manifests itself in works. In the gospel we see that the disciples are sent out to give to others the gift of faith which had been given to them. They proclaim the gospel, the good news that the time of fulfilment has come, and then they perform mighty works that demonstrate what they preach. We too have been called to discipleship; we have been made God's special people. To us has been entrusted the good news of salvation to proclaim to others. We must be the healing touch of Christ in our world. We must comfort those who mourn, bring back to life those who are in despair, embrace those who have been ostracised by society, drive out anger and fear and hatred.

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## ST VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

The St Mary's PS Winter Appeal is back up and running for another year! This year, we are kindly asking for donations of:

- Non-perishable foods
- Toiletries (toothpaste etc..)
- Nappies
- Winter woolies - NEW blankets, warm coats, jumpers, pyjamas

Donations can be delivered to the St Mary's Church narthex or school administration. Thank you



## POPE LEO XIV'S JUNE PRAYER INTENTION

*for the values of sports*

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That all sport may promote  
peace, fraternity and communion.



Let us pray that the values  
lived out in sport may  
build a better world  
for all.



We are incredibly fortunate in the Goulburn Valley to have access to such outstanding sporting facilities and opportunities.

Last weekend was a wonderful example of this, with Mooroopna welcoming more than 500 players for the Victorian Softball Masters Championships.

It was also a memorable weekend for the Mooroopna Football Netball Club, with the senior football team securing a thrilling victory over a determined Kyabram side. I'm sure a number of our parishioners were delighted with the result!

## ST MARY'S PARISH MOTTO

“Reaching out to each other  
- growing together in love”

St Mary's Mooroopna acknowledge the Yorta Yorta Nation and the Aboriginal people who have walked this land for thousands of years

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday 10.30am

### RECONCILIATION

10:30am to 11:15am Saturday

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mon 15/6	No Mass	
Tues 16/6	Holy Hour	5pm
Tues 16/6	Mass	6pm
Wed 17/6	Mass	6pm
Thurs 18/6	Mass	6pm
Fri 19/6	Mass	10am

### EASY WORSHIP

Sat 13 June: Filipino Choir

Sun 14 June: AM Carroll

Sat 20 June: Sarah Richards

Sun 21 June: Liz Donnelly

St Mary's Baptism Dates 2026	Formation Meetings Dates for 2026
Sunday 21 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday 21 July from 7pm in the Church</li> <li>• Tuesday 13 October from 7pm in the Church.</li> </ul>
Sunday 16 August	
Sunday 20 September	
Sunday 18 October	
Sunday 15 November	

## Save the date!

**Installation Mass:**

**Bishop Rene Ramirez RCJ**

**Thursday 30 July at 11am**

**Sacred Heart Cathedral Bendigo**



**St. Mel's Parish**  
invites you to  
**COME**  
and  
**CELEBRATE**  
with us the Feast of  
**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA**

 **21st June 2026**  
(Sunday)

 Holy Mass at 10:00am

 **St. Mel's Parish Church**  
18 Hamilton St., Shepparton

Procession of the Statue and Distribution of the Bread of St. Anthony will follow right after the Holy Mass.

**EVERYONE** is invited for  
**LUNCH & PROGRAM**

at St. Mel's Parish Hall,  
35 Hamilton St., Shepparton

**\$10/adult**  
**\$5/child**

*St. Anthony of Padua, pray for us.*

**St Mary's Primary School**  
**IMPORTANT DATES**

Grade 4 - 6: Sacrament of First Eucharist and Confirmation  
**Sunday 16th August** – Candidates presented at Sunday Mass

**Sunday 11th October** -  
Celebration of First Eucharist and Confirmation at mass.

PARISHES OF  
**ST. BRENDAN'S, ST. MEL'S, ST. MALACHY'S,  
ST. MARY'S MOOROPNA & ST. MARY'S DOOKIE**

**CALL TO REACH OUT**  
TO THE VICTIMS OF THE  
**7.8 MAGNITUDE EARTHQUAKE**  
IN MINDANAO, PHILIPPINES  
**GALATIANS 6:2**



**YOUR DONATION WILL HELP PROVIDE:**

-  FOOD
-  DRINKING WATER
-  MEDICINES
-  TENTS
-  ANY BASIC NEEDS FOR THE VICTIMS

*Any amount that you can offer will go an extra mile to provide food, drinking water, medicines, tents or any basic needs for the victims.*

**SEND YOUR DONATIONS TO:**

 ACCOUNT NAME: ..... St. Brendans Parish .....  
BSB: ..... 083 543 .....  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: ..... 48359 3006 .....  
REFERENCE: ..... EARTHQUAKE .....

 **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND PRAYERS.**  
*May the Lord bless you a hundredfold for your kindness and concern for those in need.* 

**RETREAT by Paul White**

Inner peace in friendship with Jesus (based on the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola)

**WHEN:** Mondays 6 July to 27 July

**TIMES:** 1.30pm - 3pm OR 7pm - 9pm

**VENUE:** Pastoral Centre,  
St Brendan's Parish (directly behind the church)

**COST:** \$40

**REGISTRATION:** by Sun 28 June

**ENQUIRIES:** Paul White - 0437 290 950



**INFORMATION SESSION EXPLAINING THE NATURE OF THE RETREAT WILL BE OFFERED ON SUNDAY 14 JUNE @ 2pm in the Pastoral Centre.**

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**21&22 AUGUST**  
Riverlinks Eastbank, Shepparton





Readings  
for  
this week:

Exodus 19:2-6  
Romans 5:6-11  
Matthew 9:36-10:8

Readings  
for  
next week:

Jeremiah 20:10-13  
Romans 5:12-15  
Matthew 10:26-33

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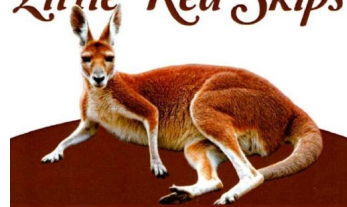


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**Sick List:** Graeme Weir, Dennis Corboy, Pat Hicks, John Raleigh, Josie Anderson, Rosemary Haig, Logan Clarke-Lines, Margaret Campbell

**Recently Deceased:** Luigina Cecchin

**Anniversaries:**

**ALTAR HELPERS** Sat 13 June: Mavis Murphy and Marie O'Meara Sat 20 June: not required

**BINGO** 20 June: Josie Cortese, Maree, Debbie, Fiona Nioa, Christine Flower, Faye Flower.

13th & 14th June	COMMENTOR	READER	SPECIAL MINISTER	OFFERTORY
6:30 pm	Kevin Murphy	Millicent Raymond	Inez Raleigh	Angelina Vigliaturo
10.30 am	Fiona Dowling	Helen Betson	Angela Iacono	Michael & Kaye Gaffy
20th & 21st June				
6:30 pm	Liz Donnelly	Mary Coad	Rob O'Meara	Annette Rau
10.30 am	TBC	Inez Raleigh	Elaine Vertriest	TBC