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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY 6.00PM.

SUNDAY 8.00AM AND 11.15AM

Our Vision

We are a Catholic Community who profess, celebrate and witness that Jesus lives, and to whom the Father sends His Spirit. We express that belief by living out and spreading the message of the Gospel.

30th and 31st of March 2019

4th Sunday of Lent - Year C

The 2019 Combined Catholic Parishes Car Raffle is now up and running, with THREE brand new Kia cars as major prizes and a number of Coles Myer Gift Cards for \$1,000 and \$500.

In total there are 14 prizes to be won this year.

The Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle will be on sale from this weekend onwards. This will be on sale until the 12th of April as the draw will be held on the 4th of May. Tickets are \$20.00 for a book of 20 tickets. SSPP receives \$16.00 in fundraising from every book sold, with only \$4.00 from each book going towards the cost of the Prizes. This is a great fundraising opportunity for the parish and hope that you will be able to support this raffle. This is a fantastic way of fundraising for the community, whilst giving you an excellent opportunity of sharing in some great prizes.

First Communion

This weekend we welcome our First Communicants who will be received at the table of the Lord. We congratulate our First Communicants and their families.

YOUTH GROUP FUND-RAISING FOR PROJECT COMPASSION

Parish youth group, Young Amazing People, is setting up a stall selling baked goods, craft & pre-loved items after 11.15am mass on Sun 7th Apr, to raise funds for Project Compassion. Please lend them your support.

Lenten Mass Times

Our Lenten Reconciliation Service is being held on Tuesday the 9th of April 2019 at 7.30pm at Our Lady of the Pines Church, 77 Carbine Street, Donvale. Lent is the time of year when God obligates us to prepare our hearts and to purify our souls so that we are ready to receive Our Lord in His glorious coming at Easter. In this sacrament we can release the past to God's mercy, the present to His love, and the future to His providence. We look forward to seeing you at Our Lady of the Pines on the 9th of April at 7.30pm.

Stations of the Cross

On Friday the 5th of April only, stations of the cross will be brought forward to 7.00pm in order for parishioners to be able to attend Divine Mercy Mass at 7.30pm.

End of Daylight Saving Time

Just a reminder that daylight savings end on Sunday the 7th of April 2019. Don't forget to put your clocks back by one hour at 2.00am on the 7th of April 2019.

Request for Prayers for Sr Trudy

Sr Trudy would normally be back in Jerusalem now at 'Ecce Homo' following her home leave and recent visit to SsPP. However, Sister has stayed behind in Melbourne because of a problem with heart health that requires the operation set for 8th April. As a strong believer in the power of prayer Sr Trudy would be grateful for your prayers for a successful surgery, and a complete and speedy recovery. Thanks in anticipation of your response, and a promise to keep you updated.
Harry Martin

**LENT PODCAST SERIES: THE LENTEN PILGRIM |
Week 4: The Parable of the Prodigal Son**
Listen on this link:

<https://soundcloud.com/user-842576877/lent-week-4-the-parable-of-the-prodigal-son>

In this fourth episode of The Lenten Pilgrim podcast, Fr Steven Rigo reflects on the parable of the prodigal son, which he says might also be a story of how to be a good parent, a good child, a good sibling and, ultimately, a good church. He says, 'Even when we are far off, he is there waiting for us to return and experience his forgiveness. So maybe put yourself into this scene: what do you want to ask for? And what do you hear?' Fr Steven Rigo is Parish Priest of the partnered parishes of St Mary's Greensborough, St Thomas' North Greensborough and Sacred Heart Diamond Creek. He previously lectured in Ecclesiology at Catholic Theological College Melbourne.

*For other resources to use during the Season of Lent, please visit the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation Melbourne website www.cam.org.au/evangelisation.
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**Sharing of Submissions to Plenary Council
2020**

The Listening and Dialogue phase of Plenary Council 2020 closed on Ash Wed. If you have submitted a response to the Plenary Council and would like to share it with the parish community, please email it to Cheryl.tay@cam.org.au, or drop it off at the parish office by Sunday 31st March 2019. A compilation will be done and made available to the community thereafter.

WORKING BEE ON SAT 13 APR 10AM

Volunteers are needed on Sat 13th Apr at 10am to help clean and spruce up the church in preparation for Holy Week. If you can assist, please contact the Harry Martin at 0421 770

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY MASS

The Divine Mercy feast day mass will be held on Sunday 28th Apr at 2.30pm in the church. If you plan to attend the celebration and are able to assist in various duties such as reading, data operating and hospitality, please put your name and contact number in the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

**SCHOOL PRESENTATION OF THE STATIONS OF
THE CROSS**

Our school children will be doing a presentation of the stations of the cross on Friday 5th Apr at 2.15pm in the church. All are welcome and invited to attend.

**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent
31st March 2019**

 **Caritas**
AUSTRALIA

Michaela is a 21-year-old trainee at Purple House, a dialysis center in the Central Desert for people suffering from kidney disease. The Aboriginal-controlled service gives patients the opportunity to stay connected with their culture. They do this through traditional healing practices and income-generating activities, such as making bush balms and soaps. With the support of Caritas partners, Michaela is helping to build a social enterprise, a connection to culture and a new outlook for the chronically ill.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help provide essential health care, employment and training for First Australians like Michaela.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

The Nappy Collective

Our church is a collection point for The Nappy Collective this May, and we need your nappies!

The Nappy Collective gathers thousands of donated nappies, sorts them and distributes them to families in need through more than 200 organisations across Australia.

We'll have a box set up in the Narthex from Friday the 10th of May to Sunday the 26th of May. We'd love it if you could bring in any unused, disposable nappies you no longer need.

Maybe your child has moved up a nappy size, or has figured out toilet training (congratulations!), or you've got a handful of random nappies in the back of the cupboard that you don't know what to do with. Ask your friends with kids, too. Every nappy counts! Your nappy may go to help a mum fleeing family violence, an asylum seeker or refugee, or a family struggling with homelessness, mental illness, drug abuse or extreme financial hardship: people who may have to choose between buying nappies or buying food.

Find out more at www.thenappycollective.com. Or contact Jean Rive on 0408 131 111.

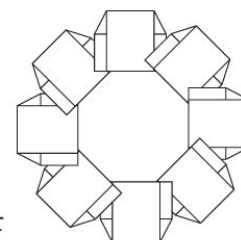
Please note, The Nappy Collective can only take disposable nappies. If you have other items you'd like to donate – such as baby clothes, toys, cloth nappies or bottles – please consider donating them to an organisation like St Kilda Mums, or your local op shop.

LADIES LUNCHEON GROUP

DATE FUNCTION

3 APRIL: Stix & Stones Restaurant, 410 Main Road, Lower Plenty (9439 4888). Lunch Menu 1 course with choice of wine, beer or soft drink is \$25 and 2 course \$35 with a drink. Anyone interested please book with Muriel on 0417 0550617.

Come and Join us!



THE
NAPPY
COLLECTIVE

Parish Groups

<p>VISITATION GROUP The next Visitation Group meeting is scheduled for Friday 5th April 2019 at 10.15am in the Parish Centre. New members are always welcome.</p>	<p>ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The next meeting will be on Tuesday 2nd April 2019 at 9.30am..</p>
<p>SUPPORT GROUP- for widows, widowers and separated We will advise of the new date for this meeting in due course. For enquiries, please contact Peter - 0413 015 061 or 9840 6248 or padess53@gmail.com</p>	<p>MEN'S COFFEE CLUB Men of the parish who are shift workers or have retired, on holidays or simply have time on their hands, are invited to meet for a Men's Coffee Club Gathering. camaraderie! Meetings are held every Tuesday at 11.00am in the Drop In Centre. Tel: Kevin on 9848 7858.</p>
<p>1 in a 100 Appeal The next collection is due on Sunday the 31st March 2019 for the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion Jerusalem and the Palestinians.</p>	<p>DROP-IN CENTRE Open every Monday morning from 11.00am - 2.30pm <u>except during school holidays.</u></p>
<p>KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS Meet every second Tuesday of the month in the Drop in Centre from 7.30 – 9.30pm. New members always welcome.</p>	<p>PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS Monday and Thursday: 9.00-5.00pm Tuesday and Wednesday: 9.00-3.00pm Friday: 9.00-4.00pm</p>
<p>Ladies Afternoon Tea: Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month at the Drop In Centre at 2.00pm. Call Bernadette for more information on 0414 879 270</p>	<p>Ladies Monthly Luncheon Ladies Monthly luncheon will be held on the first Wednesday of the month. Please contact Muriel O'Gorman on 9840 7484 .</p>

SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

Parish Priest: Fr Jerald Mariadas
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Chairman of Parish Pastoral Council:
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 Principal: Mrs Patricia Vandekolk
Pastoral Worker Cheryl Tay: Cheryl.Tay@cam.org.au
Rosary: Monday to Saturday after
 Mass/Communion Service

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays after morning Mass until 10.30am
Reconciliation: Saturdays 9.30am and 5.30pm
 and any weekday after Mass

Baptisms: On 2nd and 3rd Sundays of every month
 at 12.45pm by appointment

Weddings: By appointment

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be held in our
 Church on Friday 5th April 2019 from 7.30-8.30pm.
 There will be Exposition, Divine Mercy Chaplet and
 Reconciliation.

6th and 7th of April 2019
5th Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21		Projector Operators
Phillipians 3:8-14		
John 8:1-11		
6.00pm Readers Commentator	Marie de Krestser Josie Lim	Nick Soo
8.00am Readers Commentator	Paul O'Connor Diane Neubecker	Frank Smit
11.15am Reader Commentator	Jordan Lim Suzanne Marsahll	James Ting
Altar Servers	6.00pm	BJ and Alex
	11.15am	Amelia and Mitchel
Money Counters	Group 5: Cheryl and John Manders	Jim Seymour and James Ting

Children's Liturgy	On the 1st and 3 rd Sundays, at the 11.15am mass, except during school holidays.
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Our Prayers are asked for those **who died recently:**

Dane Malone and for those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time: David Lynch, Pasqua Serruto, Ross Serruto, Joseph O'Connor, Joseph Pich, Regina Casale, Kathleen Mahle, Rosa and Francesco Coffa, Ottavio Fiorini, Leo Carrazzo, Vin Ryan, Piergiorgio Cappelloto, Cesidio Massarotti, Gina ALoi, Kathleen Davis, **For those who are sick:** Madeline Gilmore, Dan McMahon, Teresita Leung, June Webster, Ann Tobin, Joel Pemberton, Angela Selva, Anthoula Miras, Danny and Alice Zanon, Margaret Jansen, Teresa Talia, Gaetano and Inez Paolini, Mong Kee Lim, Mary Ritus, Lois Norton Old, Caroline Tang, Salaka Hewamaduma, Priyanthi Perera, Josh Davis, Maree Spinks, Joyce Foo, Peter Wilkinson, Pamela Bruce, Anthony Calcagno, Imogen Giffening, Chin Lan Chan, Audrey O'Connor, Monica Hiew, Tai Thomas, Maraka Stilo, Philip Tay, Petrina Tay, Pat Carty, Marie Simpson Khek Hong Tan, Choi Yeng Chew, Marie and Graham Simpson, Joseph K Y Lee Catherine Poon, Anthony Formosa and Sister Trudy Nabuurs.



MASS TIMES for partner Parishes of
Our Lady of The Pines, Donvale
& Ss Peter & Paul, East Doncaster

<i>NB. "CS" indicates Communion Service only</i>	OLOP	SSPP
Monday	-	9am CS
Tuesday	-	9am Mass
Wednesday	9.00am Mass – Rosary after morning mass	9.00am CS
Thursday	9am CS	9.00 Mass
Friday	9am Mass	9am CS 7.00pm – Stations of the Cross 7.30 – Divine Mercy
Saturday	5pm VIGIL	9am Mass- 6pm VIGIL
SUNDAY	9:30am	8am, 11.15am

Communion Minsters

6.00pm	8.00am	11.15am
Lucia Dorissa, Loraine Lednar, Judith Clark	Michael Liddy Marie Simpson Sheryl Kamath	Verna Carter, Carmel Nigro Frank Burke, Nicole Morabito, Suzanne Marshall Jim Seymour

Did You Know

- The son going to 'a distant country' shows that he has turned his back not only on his father but also on his faith. He has left his true heritage behind. His repentance and return becomes all the more poignant.