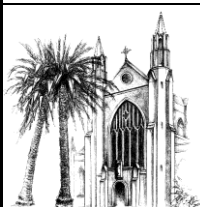


# THE PARTNERED PARISHES OF



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## St. Brendan's Parish

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**Parish Priest** - Fr. Hien Vu  
**Priest in Residence** – Fr Vinoth Santiago  
**Seminarian in Residence** – Simeon Anthony

**Parish Administrator** Mei Lawson  
**Secretary** Jo McEwen  
**Sacrament Coordinator** Yvette Oswald  
**Parish House** 35 Gower Street (Opposite Church)  
**School** 9376 9455 (Christine Shaw)  
**MASS TIMES** Saturday (Vigil) 5.30pm  
 Sunday 9.00am  
**WEEKDAY** Wednesday 9.15am  
 Friday 9.15am  
**BAPTISMS** 1st & 3rd Sunday at 12.00pm  
**WEDDINGS** Contact Parish Office

**Parish Administrator** Mei Lawson  
**Secretary** Sharon Kane  
**Parish House** 103 Wellington Street Flemington 3031  
**School** 9376 0249 (Peter Hayes)  
**Kindergarten** 9376 6305 (Eevon Tey)  
**MASS TIMES** Saturday (Vigil) 6.00pm  
 Sunday 10.30am  
 (Coptic Mass 1.00pm)  
**WEEKDAY** – Mon, Wed & Fri – 9.15am Communion Service  
 Tues, Thurs & Sat – 9.15am Mass  
**BAPTISMS** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 12.00pm  
**WEDDINGS** Contact Parish Office  
**RECONCILIATION** Saturday 9.45am  
**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
 Saturday 9.45am – 10.45am (after Mass)  
 1st Friday of each month 9.45am – 10.45am

### ROSTER - SUNDAY 24 DECEMBER 2017

	Lector/Commentator	Minister of Communion		Lector/Commentator	Minister of Communion
5.30pm			6.00pm		
10.00am			10.30am		
Children's Liturgy of the Word			No Children's Liturgy of the Word		

**There are NO rosters during the Christmas holiday period.**

**If you are a commentator, reader or Eucharistic Minister please see Fr. before Mass and offer assistance.**

**Thank you.**

**Recent Deaths:** Concetto Giaccotto

**Anniversaries:**

### FINANCES

#### HOLY ROSARY

THANKSGIVING: \$ 538.90  
 PRESBYTERY: \$ 83.90  
 LOOSE: \$ 292.50  
 MELBOURNE MISSION: \$ 349.90

#### ST. BRENDAN'S

THANKSGIVING: \$ 564.50  
 PRESBYTERY: \$ 157.00  
 LOOSE: \$ 286.60  
 MELBOURNE MISSION \$ 290.00

**Thanksgiving total does not include monthly contributions made via credit card & direct debit**

### TEN TON – Week 20 – Maia Trieste

The **final "big" draw** will take place on the **17th of December** after 9am mass. If you still have any outstanding money, please see Mary or Maureen or drop it into the house as soon as possible.

A big thank you to Mary and Maureen for all their fundraising efforts over the year. We all benefit from their dedication and skill.

### MONDAY LUNCH PROGRAM NEEDS NEW VOLUNTEERS FOR 2018

The Flemington & Kensington Community Lunch has operated from St. Brendan's Hall since 2010.

It is an ecumenical initiative of six local churches, Christ Church, Holy Rosary, Newmarket Baptists, St. Brendan's, St. George's and St. Stephen's. Volunteers prepare and serve a free lunch to 50 or so people with various needs. This occurs each Monday from February through to the Monday before Christmas, excluding public holidays.

We need volunteers for various roles including: roster organiser, kitchen manager/head chef, kitchen helpers, delivery drivers to pick up the food, room set up and pack up, security.

If you can help out or know anyone who might be interested, please register your interest by contacting **Gabrielle** on 9317 5448.

A meeting of volunteers and anyone interested in volunteering will be held at **St. Brendan's Parish Hall at 10am on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018.**

If we have sufficient people to operate the program safely and effectively, lunches will re-commence on Monday 5 February 2018.

## MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

**HOLY ROSARY** - WED, FRI - 9.15 Mass  
**ST. BRENDAN'S** - TUES, THURS & SAT - 9.15am Mass

## Holy Rosary Christmas Raffle

Tickets will be on sale at the back of the church to win a goodies-packed hamper in time for Christmas! **Ticket price:** \$2 each or 3 for \$5. To be drawn **this Sunday** 17th of December after 9am mass.

**WELCOME** to any visitors that are with us this Christmas. Your presence is a great sign to us of the movement of the Holy Spirit in our Church and our parish community. Please know that you are always welcome at St. Brendan's & Holy Rosary, and your presence is valued.

## HOLY ROSARY CHURCH CLEANING

We would like to spruce up Holy Rosary Church for Christmas.

If you are able to help please be at the church at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, 20 December.

**Remember – many hands make light work.**

## ST. BRENDAN'S PARISH WELCOME SUNDAY

Attending Mass this morning are our families who will be presenting their children for Baptism. Please welcome Oliver, Lucrèzia, Alicia & William their parents and godparents into our faith community. We ask for God's continued blessings on each of these children and their parents and godparents. Please stay and join us after Mass today for morning tea. All welcome

**PARISH PHOTO** at the conclusion of the Christmas Family Mass in both parishes we will endeavour to photograph the colourful and vibrant congregation from the gallery. If you do not wish to be included you will have an opportunity to leave the church. More information will be in the Christmas bulletin.

## OUR COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

At St Brendan's and Holy Rosary Parishes we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our Parish community. We all need to part of this commitment and thus ask volunteers serving in any ministry to sign the Code of Conduct form which has been available on the church tables and on our website. If you have not already returned one, a Code of Conduct form will be included with your roster. Please sign and return it to the office or on the collection plate.

**FR FRANCIS FAHIM** Unfortunately, Fr Francis was unable to come to dinner with us last week, due to unforeseen commitments in his new parish. Fr. Hien has caught up with him and on our behalf presented him with cards & gifts from both parishes. Fr. Francis has asked me to pass on his sincere gratitude for the support and care he has received over the many years he has been at St. Brendan's & Holy Rosary. He is very appreciative of the generous gift and lovely words given to him. He assures us that he is doing well and very happy in his new parish in Aberfeldie.

**Home Stay Required** Claudia Debenham a 16 year-old New Zealander, the daughter of the Pastoral Planner for the Christchurch Diocese in New Zealand, requires board for one or two years while she studies dancing at the Transit Dance Group in Kensington. Anyone interested in offering board, please contact her mother, [susannahdeb@hotmail.com](mailto:susannahdeb@hotmail.com).

## ADVENT REFLECTION

**Will be held NEXT Wednesday 20 December in the parish office of Holy Rosary at 7pm.**

Our friend Jonathan Smith will lead you through this journey of reflection.

**Everybody is welcome**

## CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

### HOLY ROSARY

**Saturday 23 December**  
**NO** 5.30pm Mass @ Holy Rosary

**Sunday 24 December – Christmas Eve**  
- 9am @ Holy Rosary  
- **Family Mass** – 5.30pm Carols & Mass  
*(Children are invited to dress as angels & shepherds)*

**Monday 25 December – Christmas Day**  
10am Mass @ Holy Rosary



### ST BRENDAN'S

**Saturday 23 December**  
6.00pm Mass @ St. Brendan's

**Sunday 24 December – Christmas Eve**  
- 10.30am Mass @ St, Brendan's  
- **Family Mass** – 6pm Carols & Mass  
*(Children are invited to dress as angels & shepherds)*  
- **10.00pm** Carols & Mass @ St Brendan's

**Monday 25 December – Christmas Day**  
10.30am Mass @ St. Brendan's