

ST GERARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

PARISH PRIEST: FR. SHANTHAIAH MARNENI

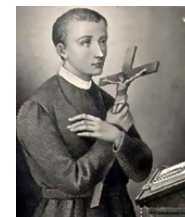
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Confession: Tuesday to Saturday 8:20am-8:50am also Saturday prior to & after Mass until 10:30am *Visit website for updates*

Parish Secretary & Safeguarding Officer: Sumitha Moses Parish Secretary: Sinthia Stellato Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am - 2:30pm

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Welcome to St. Gerard's parish, where we foster the wellbeing and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, visit <https://www.stgerards.org.au/child-safety-professional-standards/> or see the Safeguarding Officer. "Child Safety is Everyone's Responsibility"

Corpus Christi - Mass Readings (Year A) - June 6 & 7, 2026

Entrance Antiphon: He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

First Reading - Deuteronomy 8: 2-3, 14-16

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart - whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord. 'Do not become proud of heart. Do not forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 10: 16-17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord: whoever eats this bread will live for ever. *Alleluia!*

Gospel Reading - John 6: 51-58

Jesus said to the crowd: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Communion Antiphon: Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood remains in Me and I in him, says the Lord.



Prayer to Saint Gerard Majella



Great protector of the family, Saint Gerard, we ask your prayers for all parents, that they may receive the grace to live in the love of God and bring up their children to know and love Him with all their hearts. We ask you to pray also that those who take the lives of unborn innocents, and attack the dignity of motherhood, may come to see the error of their ways, and that all may value the true holiness of Christian family life. God, our loving Father, Your love gives life to the world. Bless and make holy all human love, especially the life-giving love of husband and wife. May Your love fill the hearts and homes of all families, so that the world may enjoy the peace and happiness promised by Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Thank you to all those who donated so generously towards Fr. Michael's Gregorian Masses. Fr. Shanthaiah will advise when they will take place at St. Gerard's.

The 10:30am Mass will be offered within the 30 days. We will also advise in this bulletin as to when this will commence.

This year marks 100 years of **World Mission Day**, a time in which the global Church celebrates God's mission through prayer and generosity. Today, that mission continues, where communities are rebuilding after devastating floods and families are striving to create a future for their children. To learn more about Catholic Mission and our work, please go to catholicmission.org.au/united. Archbishop Peter Comensoli's message: https://youtu.be/K_JbH-7AQuM. Fr Brendan Lane's reflection from his missionary experience in Africa: https://youtu.be/y3OCR_Wcwdo. Thank you in anticipation of your generosity.

CAN YOU HELP VICTIMS OF CHURCH-RELATED ABUSE?

For 14 years, the Lifeboat Geelong Foundation has been assisting victims of church-related sexual abuse from all over Australia. You could help this important work simply by bringing it to the attention of people who might consider donating **an unwanted motor vehicle, such as a car from a deceased estate** or, is no longer required. Also, since the "Lifeboat Car Project" began in 2020, one single dedicated volunteer has overseen the process, which includes working with the donor to organise a Roadworthy Certificate and assisting recipients or purchasers of the vehicle with the required documentation for Vicroads. He now needs a rest – or at least some help! So "Lifeboat" also needs a few people to negotiate the formal processes. If you or someone you know could help, please contact Fr. Kevin Dillon on 0421 777 360 or frkdillon@outlook.com.au for more information.

Melbourne Corpus Christi Procession - Sunday, 7th June, 2pm

Starts at St. Patrick's Cathedral and concluding at Federation Square. Together with Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, let us bring Christ in the Eucharist - our light - into the heart of the city of Melbourne. Communities are invited to bring their banners. Visit: [HTTPS://MELBOURNECATHOLIC.ORG/EVENTS/MELBOURNE-CORPUS-CHRISTI-PROCESSION](https://melbournecatholic.org/events/melbourne-corpus-christi-procession)

Please note:

The Parish office will be closed Monday, 8th June, for the King's Birthday Public Holiday.



Spiritual Adoption

To date, 108 people have registered and all are champions of life, whose prayers will bring life to their adopted child. If you would like to register and join us, the sheet and prayer card will be available in the church foyer. Alternatively, please visit the parish office or text Clarke on 0402 341 649.

DANDENONG DEANERY COUNCIL DINNER PROGRAM FOR 2026 - Listening To: The Voices That Echo the Glory of God through Peace & Mercy.
DATE: Wednesday 17th June 2026 VENUE: Graduate's Restaurant - St John's Regional College, Caroline Street, Dandenong. START: 5.30pm for 5.45pm start COST: \$48 per person 3 course meal wine & Beer. GUEST SPEAKER: TBA RSVP: By Friday 12th June 2026
Phone Paddy 0422 296 961 e-mail: dandenongdeanery@live.com.au

St. Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal Collection - Saturday, 13th and Sunday, 14th June

Next weekend we will have the collection for St. Vincent De Paul. We thank you in anticipation of your generosity for helping those in need.

MASS and INTENTIONS

Saturday Vigil, June 6th - Corpus Christi

Mass 5:30pm Luigi Nardella (*Remembrance* ✝)

Mass 7:00pm Maronite Community

Sunday, June 7th - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi

Mass 8:30am Andre Beauford (*2nd Death Anniversary* ✝)

and Rita Culloden (*Recently Deceased* ✝)

and Giuseppe Raiti (*Death Anniversary* ✝)

and Salvatore Messina (*Remembrance* ✝)

and Antonio and Filippa Virgulto (*Remembrance* ✝)

Mass 10:30am Pro Populo - No Mass Intentions

12:00pm Parish Baptisms

Mass 5:30pm Private Intention

Monday, June 8th - Parish Office closed - Public Holiday

Mass 9:15am Korien Joseph Thomas (*Death Anniversary* ✝)

and Tony Skoblar (*Birthday Remembrance* ✝)

and Dr. K.M. Jose (*Recently Deceased* ✝)

Tuesday, June 9th

Mass 9:15am Thanksgiving on the birthday of Rose Rodrigues

and Nada Skoblar (*Remembrance* ✝)

and Rayappan John (*1st Death Anniversary* ✝)

Wednesday, June 10th

Mass 9:15am Rita Culloden (*Remembrance* ✝)

Thursday, June 11th - Saint Barnabas

Mass 9:15am Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Vailankanni on the birthday of Dominic D'Vaz

Friday, June 12th - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:45-8:45am Adoration

Mass 9:15am Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and deceased members of the religious of the Sacred Heart and for abandoned souls

and Mary Adolphus (*Death Anniversary* ✝)

Saturday, June 13th

Mass 9:15am Stanley Van Twest Junior (*Death Anniversary* ✝)

and Rolando Glico (*Death Anniversary* ✝)

Saturday Vigil, June 13th - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass 5:30pm Intentions of the Parish

Mass 7:00pm Maronite Community

Sunday, June 14th - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass 8:30am Giovanna McKercher (*Remembrance* ✝)

and Rita Culloden (*Recently Deceased* ✝)

and Jacqueline Savannah 66th Wedding Anniversary

and Wedding Anniversary Remembrance Serge Savannah

Mass 10:30am Pro Populo - First Holy Communions

Mass 5:30pm Justin & Frances Meyers (*Remembrance* ✝)

Please pray for...

Our sick: Maria Tomaselli, Ricky Fagan, Anne Moorthy, Lynette Whetton, Lucia, Gration Vettivelu, John Keble, Pamela Chen, Michael Bruno, Steven Dickson, Derek Chater, Franca Rechichi, Marion Quyn, David Naidoo, Barbara Daniells, Jackie Foulstone, Sean VanTwest, Damien Gerard Misquith, Christopher Patterson, Gabby Vettivelu, Gerard, Antonimary

The recently deceased:

Carmel Mary, Heather Fernandez, Sunny Rodrigues, Agnes Thi Xuan Dao Le, Brian Pellow, Jessie Schembri, Carmel Partridge, Therese Maria Lucia, Graziano Leonardi, Dr. K.M Jose

Anniversaries/Remembrances:

Salvatore Messina, Giuseppe Raiti, Antonio and Filippa Virgulto, Marisa Cardamone, Korien Joseph Thomas, Rita Culloden, Rayappan John

Church Cleaning

Saturday, June 13

Knights of the Southern Cross

Saturday, June 20

Legion of Mary

Weekly Collection

May 31, 2026

Thanksgiving: \$1,596.50

Presbytery: \$850.50

Reading Roster

Saturday, June 13

5:30pm J. D'Souza

Sunday, June 14

8:30am I. Mulipola

10:30am R. Gonsalves

5:30pm Janet D'Souza

Saturday, June 20

5:30pm C. Fernando

Sunday, June 21

8:30am G. Van Hees

10:30am J. Abraham

5:30pm B. Collins

Daily Antiphons

Monday, June 8th to Saturday, June 13th, 2026

Monday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 8

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Responsorial Psalm: Our help is from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Rejoice and be glad; your reward will be great in heaven. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

Tuesday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 9

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let Your face shine on us.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Let your light shine before all, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

Wednesday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 10

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Responsorial Psalm: Keep me safe, O God; You are my hope.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Teach me Your paths, my God, and lead me in Your truth. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

Thursday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 11 - Saint Barnabas

Entrance Antiphon: Blessed is this holy man, who was worthy to be numbered among the Apostles, for he was a good man, filled with the Holy Spirit and with faith.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always until the end of the world. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. But I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from My Father.

Friday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 12 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Entrance Antiphon: The designs of His Heart are from age to age, to rescue their souls from death, and to keep them alive in famine.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear Him.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Take my yoke upon you; learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: Thus says the Lord: Let whoever is thirsty come to Me and drink. Streams of living water will flow from within the one who believes in Me.

Saturday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 13

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Responsorial Psalm: You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Turn my heart to do Your will; teach me Your law, O God. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.