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Bulletin Notices: Due by: Thursday 1.00pm Email: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au or call Parish Office: 5222 1977



MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES

10.00am Tuesday - Saturday
ROSARY recited prior to Mass

RECONCILIATION

After 10.00am Mass Saturday

SATURDAY

6.00pm (Vigil)

SUNDAY

7.30am; 9.30am; 11.00am;
12.30pm (Polish)

NOVENA to OUR LADY of PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays after 10.00am Mass

NOVENA to ST. ANTHONY

Tuesdays after 10.00am Mass

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Thursday at 9.00am

PIETY GIFT STALL

OPEN Tuesdays to Fridays:

10.30am - 1.00pm,

Sundays: 10.15am - 12.15pm.

Closed on Saturdays.

Third Sunday of Easter - Year B - April 14, 2024

Readings for this week:

Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15.17-19; 1 John 2:1-5; Luke 24:35-48

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURES

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Reflecting on this Gospel passage, Pope Francis draws our attention to the three key verbs: look, touch, and eat.

'To look is not only to see,' the Pope points out, adding that 'it is more; it also involves intention, will.' When Jesus asks the disciples to look at his hands and feet, therefore, he is not only offering visual proof of identity. Rather, Jesus is inviting his disciples to look at his wounded limbs as 'a first step against indifference, against the temptation to look the other way before the difficulties and sufferings of others.' Jesus' wounds are still present for those with the courage to look at them.

Similarly, Jesus' invitation to the disciples to confirm his presence by touch has a teaching element too. 'By inviting the disciples to touch him,' the Pope suggests, 'Jesus indicates to them and to us that the relationship with him and with our brothers and sisters cannot remain "at a distance".' Having seen the wounds, we must be close to the wounded.

Finally, by eating with his disciples Jesus again did more than prove he was physically present at that specific moment. As the Pope points out, 'eating, when we do so together, among family or friends ... becomes an expression of love, and expression of communion.'

Once again, the Gospel suggests Jesus' action had a deeper meaning about Jesus' continuing presence among his followers. As St Augustine said of the Eucharist, we become what we consume, which means something truly amazing: The Risen Jesus still eats with us!

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In the spirit of reconciliation the Parish of St Mary of the Angels, Geelong acknowledges the Waddawarrung people, the Traditional Owners and Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.

ANZOC DAY

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

MASS

A special Mass for Anzac Day will be celebrated at the Basilica on **Thursday April 25 at 9.00am**. (It will replace the regular weekday Mass held at 10am.)



ST VINCENT DE PAUL [SDVP] FESTIVAL MASS

The Geelong region SVDP Festival will be held on Thursday April 18 at St Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Lara - 7.00pm.

PARISH SCRIPTURE GROUP

The group will resume for this year on Tuesday, April 23, at 10.45 am in the Pioneer Room (upstairs, 150 Yarra Street). Further details will be included in the next week's Bulletin or visit our website www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/scripture.

CAFÉ LIGHT Open next weekend [Sunday April 21] 10.30am - 12.30pm.

Please come and support Café Light.

Bring along family and friends to enjoy a tea/coffee and a treat. Food is provided by SHC staff and students, and this time, will be run by parish volunteers.



The cost per serving is \$5.00. All monies raised goes directly to support our partner parish of Mary Immaculate in Viqueque.



CHILDREN'S Liturgy

Come on come all. Children's Liturgy is back at St Mary's Parish. Starting on **Sunday April 21**.

During the school term this service, run by volunteers, is available to all children of primary school age. It will be held during the 11am Mass (except on the 4th Sunday of the month when Junior Choir is singing).

We encourage families to come along to **11am Mass**, and at the designated time, guide their children to becoming involved in learning about the Lord our God, through prayers, discussions and activities using the readings & liturgy of the day.

INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE - ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. **COME & SEE!** An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **May 4, 2024 Saturday, 10:00 -11.45 am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.**

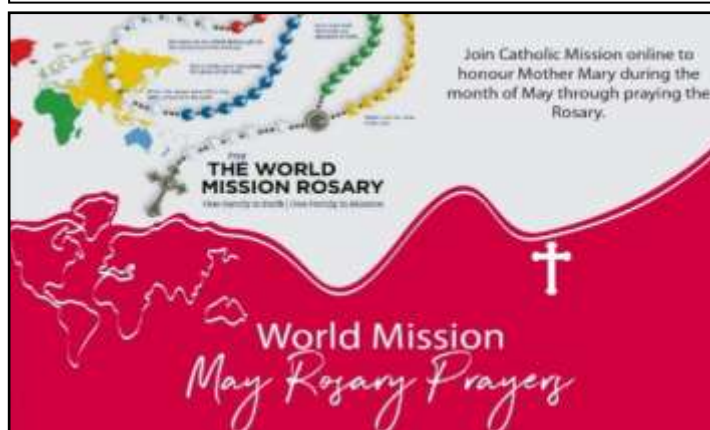
The Vocations website for the Archdiocese is available. The links below (copy, then paste) are a source of additional information.

Watch: Melbourne's Deacons <https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTS0> and Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for Deacons and video <https://youtu.be/NuG99HD1LaY>

Visit: Archdiocese of Melbourne permanent diaconate webpage <https://vocations.melbournecatholic.org/about/what-is-a-vocation/permanent-diaconate>

Read More: [Brochure] <https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate>

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate (Phone) 03 9412 3357 (Email) diaconate@cam.org.au



Catholic Mission will host the recitation of the Rosary every day (from Monday to Friday) in May, and they invite all parishioners to join in, with supporters and collaborators from around the country.

During this virtual Rosary, there will be reflections on the mysteries of the Rosary, and intentions will be offered for peace, healing and blessings for our parishes and the world. This online gathering is open to everyone in the parish community.

Starting date: May 1, 2024. Time: 2.00pm

To join the Zoom meeting enter these details to URL: <https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>

The meeting ID is: 89387982280

Password: 876574

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RADIO MASS

Broadcast brought to you by **St Mary's Parish, Geelong** @ 10.00am Sunday on PULSE FM 94.7

If you miss the 10am Sunday Mass broadcast, you can listen to the current, and past Sunday Masses, from St Mary's Basilica by clicking on this link: <https://947thepulse.com/shows/sunday-at-saint-marys/> These audio recordings can be accessed at any time of the day. They are not a podcast and therefore cannot be downloaded. You will require the internet to connect and listen.
Sunday Masses are usually kept for around 4 weeks.

Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels,
136 Yarra St., Geelong
presents

AGATHA IN VIVALDI'S VENICE

Australian Chamber Choir [ACC]

Director - Douglas Lawrence

Sunday 21 April, 5.00pm

Agatha, born without the fingers of her left hand, was abandoned to the Venetian orphanage known as the Ospedale della Pietà, where Vivaldi was working to establish an incomparable music education program.

In 2022 the ACC premiered Agatha's Cantata, newly completed after three centuries of silence. In 2024, they will gift the completed work to the citizens of Venice in a special choral/orchestral performance in the Venetian Baroque splendour of the Pisani Palace.

Join the Australian Chamber Choir on this important journey. Hear Agatha's Cantata in Geelong alongside the Magnificat that Vivaldi composed for the orphans of the Pietà.

Tickets \$50 Full; \$45 Seniors; \$40 Concession available from www.auschoir.org or at the door.
Children and school students - free

SUNDAY MASS AV SOUND OPERATORS

We are very much in need of volunteers for **AV-Sound Operators at our weekend Vigil & Sunday Masses**. It would be just a once a month commitment. Please direct all calls to the Parish Office: 5222 1977 during the week, or email: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au

Also, if you would like to volunteer for any other role, ie. Reader, Special Minister, Welcomer, or Collector at regular Sunday Masses, we welcome your interest, and encourage you to contact us.

ST MARYS PARISH PANTRY - OPEN

Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong.
Pantry operating days and times are: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday between 1.00pm - 3.00pm.

Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

Next Mass: May 26 2024 11am

New members are most welcome. Practices for Term 2 resume on Friday April 26. 3.30pm - 4.30pm, downstairs in the Hibernian Hall [Café Light].
Email: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au for enquiries.

MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR

Next Mass: April 21, 2024 - 11am. Practice is prior to the 11am Mass - starting at 9.30am in the Hibernian Hall [Café Light]. If interested to join please email: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au

BASILICA CHOIR Next Mass: April 14, 2024 -

9.30am. Practices have resumed, in the Sodalities Room (entrance at the rear of the Basilica). Starting at 7.30pm. New members welcomed.
Contact Jane at jbashiruddin@bigpond.com



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you do are in harmony. - Mahatma Gandhi

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AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sr Mary Doolan RSM, Giuseppe "Joe" Palermo, Aileen McIlvena, Monica Kolarova, John Relayson



CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Leoncio Abellana, Dorothy Bourke, Maria Campanaro, Rosa Mora, Mary Catherine Polley, Bernardine Turner, Patricia Harris, Marijke "Maria" Blake, William Devlin, Janette Lineen, Terry Shanahan, Alison Da Costa, Maria Maca **Month Mind:** Bogdan "George" Mazur, Giovanni Stranieri

THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL:

Loving God, we pray that you will be comfort in their suffering, and lead them to know your healing grace, As they place their trust in you, grant them peace of mind, body and spirit. Amen.

St. John of God Hospital Chapel Mass:

Every Thursday at 11.30am

RADIO MASS BROADCAST:

SUNDAY 7am on Light FM 89.9 & 10am on The Pulse FM 94.7




Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year B - April 21, 2024

Readings for next week:

Acts of the Apostles 4: 8 - 12; 1 John 3: 1- 2; John 10: 11 - 18

<u>TIMES</u>	<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Special Ministers</u>	<u>Welcomers</u>	<u>Main Collector</u>
6.00pm VIGIL	Gael Perry	Natalia Barber	Trish Nicholson Gael Perry	Diane Read	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Annette Wilkinson	Terry O'Brien	Mike McGovern Rosa Marino	Monica Pearce	Lachlan Buchanan
9.30am	Peter Mackinlay	Ann Salerno	Keith Vriens Blake Drever Rhonda Sullivan	Joanne McMahon	Geoff Johnston
11.00am	Santina Taranto	Domenica Croce	Barbara Antony Pamela Cowdery Linda Stacchino	Liz Bauer	Klaus Bauer

<u>TIMES</u>	<u>6.00pm</u>	<u>7.30am</u>	<u>9.30am</u>	<u>11.00am</u>
AV-SOUND OPERATOR	Clevon Peris	Jack Munk	Marcia O'Brien	Georgia Cowdery

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<https://www.facebook.com/St-Mary-of-the-Angels-Parish-103118478011107/> 'Follow' the page and like our updates & articles. A great way to keep in touch.

You can also visit our regularly updated and very informative webpage: www.stmarysgeelong.com.au

On the webpage we include updates & current Parish information, Daily Reflections, Prayers, images, links and even something for the kids. **Everything you need to know about our faith community.**

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