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## MASS TIMES

### WEEKDAY MASS

See inside on p.2 for details  
ROSARY recited prior to Mass

### RECONCILIATION

After 10am 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 10am Mass

### NOVENA to ST ANTHONY

Tuesdays after 10am Mass

### ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Thursday at 9.00am

### PIETY GIFT STALL

OPEN next week on Wednesday &  
Thursday 10.30am – 1.00pm  
CLOSED ON FRIDAY & SATURDAY

OPEN Sunday  
10.15am – 12.15pm



## EASTER SUNDAY - Year C – April 20, 2025

### Readings for this week:

**Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9**

### EASTER MESSAGE 2025 from Fr Jim Clarke PP

The empty tomb is the source of our Easter joy. The empty tomb was a source of puzzlement, amazement and anxiety for the disciples of Jesus.

Where was He? What happened to Him? What does this all mean? These questions flooded and dominated the minds of the first disciples.

The answers to these questions were revealed through faith.

The faith exhibited by the "Beloved Disciple" who when he reached the tomb, looked in, saw and he believed.

We too, like the Beloved Disciple, believe. We haven't seen the empty tomb.

We haven't seen the discarded garments of death.

We haven't been told by the angel not to look for the living among the dead.

We believe because we have experienced Him.

We have encountered Him in our daily lives and in and with our interaction with each other.

We are a people of faith. We are His people. We need no proof because we believe. Our proof is in the hope we have and in the love we share.

Easter faith brings Easter joy. Easter joy leads to Easter hope, and Easter hope is lived in the love we receive from Him and share with one another.

We are Easter people, we are the people of the resurrection.

Our faith is not in vain because He is risen.

Our faith in the risen Jesus has changed our lives for the better.

This Easter may the risen Lord bring you peace, joy and happiness.

On behalf of Fr. Jude, our Parish Staff, and myself,  
we wish you every blessing for the Easter season.

**"Christos anesti, Christ is risen. "Alethos anesti", He is risen indeed.**

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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.

## **HOLY WEEK @ the Basilica**

**Holy Thursday:** Thurs. April 17<sup>th</sup> - 7.30pm.

### **Good Friday Way of the Cross Procession:**

10.45am – leaving from cnr Myers & Yarra Sts. Fr Jim, Fr Jude, and the ministers from our Ecumenical community Churches invite you to come along to our traditional procession through the stations of the cross, through the streets of Geelong. This is a wonderful joining of community, openly expressing our faith and love for Jesus, and for each other.

**Good Friday Service:** Fri. April 18<sup>th</sup> - 3.00pm.

**Holy Saturday:** Sat. April 19<sup>th</sup> - No 10am Mass. Reconciliation will be held at 10.30am.

**Holy Saturday Vigil:** Sat. April 19<sup>th</sup> – 7.30pm.

**Easter Sunday:** Sun April 20<sup>th</sup> - 7.30am;  
9.30am; 11am; 12.30pm (in Polish)

## **BASILICA OPEN TIMES FOR THIS COMING**

**WEEK ARE:** *The Basilica is closed ALL DAY on Mon. April 21<sup>st</sup> & Tues. April 22<sup>nd</sup>.*

Open Wednesday - Thursday, 9am - 5pm.

**10am Mass on Wednesday and Thursday only.**

Open Friday 9am – approx. 11am

**Mass on Anzac Day (Friday April 25<sup>th</sup>) – 9am**

Saturday 9am – 12 noon

**Saturday morning 10am Mass** followed by Reconciliation at 10.30am and Saturday Vigil & regular Sunday Masses. **Extra details listed on the front of the Bulletin.**

## **HOLY LAND COLLECTION - GOOD FRIDAY**

A collection will be taken up at our 3pm Good Friday Service, to support the church in the Holy Land. All raised is used to provide assistance to local Christians in the area and help maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus.

Due to the ongoing war, the church and people of the Holy Land are particularly struggling with reduced income due to fewer visiting pilgrims.

*Thank You!* 

*To all our Readers, Special Ministers, Welcomers, AV operators, Collectors, Altar Servers, Flower ladies, Cleaners, Decorators, Musicians, and all those who volunteered to help in many other ways for our Holy Week/Easter ceremonies.*

**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.

## **ITALIAN WAY OF THE CROSS – GOOD FRIDAY**

Will be held in the Basilica on Friday April 18<sup>th</sup> from 9.30am in Italian. All are invited to attend. AVVISO Venerdi Santo alle ore 9.30am. Ci sara la Crucis in Italiano. Benvenuti.

## **RCIA UPDATE**

At the Easter Vigil this weekend, our parish will welcome 13 adults to our community and the wider Catholic Church. Following a seven-month journey through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), our Elect - *Cecilia, Daniel, Debbie, Ella, Januk, Jason and Shelley* - will be baptised, confirmed and receive Holy Communion for the first time. Our Candidates (those already baptised) - *Alicia, Breanna, Chris, Kenny, Luke and Marina* - will also be fully initiated into the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Special thanks to those in the parish team who gave so generously of their time and faith to support the RCIA: Lou, Pamela, Alan and Blake.

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### THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

Thanksgiving envelopes for the new financial year 2025/2026, are still available in the Narthex this weekend. Please collect your envelopes, as soon as possible, or arrange for collection to help save the Parish the costs of postage. Thank you.

### WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK - WWCC

Please check that your WWCC is up to date, as we cannot place you on the roster if you do not carry a current WWCC.

Click on this link to access details online:

<https://service.vic.gov.au/services/working-with-children> If you need help to update please contact the Parish Office. 5222 1977.

Once the update is completed please remember to submit updated details to the Parish Office.

**You need a current WWCC to complete the Safeguarding Module requirement as per stipulation of the Archdiocese of Melbourne.**

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY April 27<sup>th</sup> 2025

You are invited to join in at St Thomas' Church, Peninsula Drive, Drysdale, for Exposition at 2pm; Confession at 2.30pm; Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet; and a Mass & Benediction at 3.15pm. Celebrant is Fr Ray Bugeja. Enquiries to: John Brown 0428 409 345

### ST BERNARD'S PARISH ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

Invitation to attend on Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup> starting at 8am and finishing at 2pm. Where? Clairvaux School Hall, Reynolds Road. Belmont. Come along and browse a huge selection of second-hand books, fiction & non-fiction, and children's books – all at bargain prices. Plus: Jigsaw puzzles, DVDs & CDs and a Cake Stall.

### St Mary's Parish - 1% CLUB QUESTION

**The answer for last week is: 4** The word two has 3 letters, the word three has 5 letters and the word four has 4 letters... and five has 4 letters.

### New 1% CLUB QUESTION

Q: Logically, which letter comes next in this sequence? **S U M O T U W E T H F R S**\_\_

### ST MARY'S PARISH PANTRY

Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong

**The Parish Pantry is currently closed over Easter and will reopen on Tuesday April 22 from 1pm – 3pm.**

Regular operating hours are:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 1pm – 3pm

### Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

#### ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

**\*\* Junior Choir is on break for the school holidays and practices will resume on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025. Next Mass: May 25 @ 11am \*\***

#### MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR Come Join Us!!

**Next Mass: May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 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](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au)

#### BASILICA CHOIR: New members welcome.

Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7.30pm to 9.00pm in the Sodalities Room at the rear of St Mary's Basilica – entry from outside.

**Next Mass: April 20<sup>th</sup> @ 9.30am**

For more information or details please email:

[jbashiruddin@bigpond.com](mailto:jbashiruddin@bigpond.com)

A special thank you to Frank DeRosso and the Basilica Choir for the wonderful presentation of music and song at our Holy Week and Easter ceremonies.



### QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

With Christ at the center of your life you will never be disappointed. Do not be afraid to go forth and announce the risen Christ – *Pope Francis*

### JOKE OF THE WEEK

How many eggs can you put in an empty basket? Only one - after that, it's not empty anymore!  
**HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE!**



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## AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Fred Ivancic, Marina Levar, Francesco Fiala

**CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Dante Aguirre, Janette Lineen, Thomas Larkins, Dorothy Patricia Bourke, Filippo Stefano, Thomas Patrick Keogh, Janice Mary Henderson, Giovanni Travan, Reynaldo Mangas, Brian Meade, Mary Loughnan, Kathleen Veronica Jones, Fr Richard Rafter, Bernie Moloney **Month Mind:** Nancy McGuane, Margaret Penney, Rita Soldani



## ALL 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



## Second Sunday of Easter - Year C – April 27, 2025

### Readings for next week:

**Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16; Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19; John 20:19-31**



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY [CLOW] – NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD DURING THE SCHOOL TERM 1 HOLIDAYS. BE READY - REGISTER NOW FOR TERM 2.**

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[For children Grade 2 – Grade 6]

Children's Liturgy	April 20	April 27	May 4	May 11
11.00am MASS	xxx No CLOW School Holidays	Mary Forder Lina Sidoti	Slavica Kulic Liz Bauer	Kerry Tomison Maria Monea

TIMES	Commentator	Reader	Special Ministers	Welcomers	Main Collector
6.00pm VIGIL	Trish Nicholson	Margot Jarman	Margot Jarman Vicki Zavaglia	...	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Lesley Almond	Corinne Fabre	Barry Leith Nola Schwidlewski	Monica Pearce	Carlo Werzak
9.30am	Rhonda Sullivan	Jennifer Guinane	Jennifer Guinane Ann Salerno Erminia Ficca	...	Geoff Johnston
11.00am	Pamela Cowdery	Maria Monea	Barbara Antony Linda Stacchino Liz Bauer	Liz Bauer	Klaus Bauer
AV	OPERATOR	6.00pm VIGIL	7.30am	9.30am	11.00am
		Cameron Brooks	Keith Almond	Marcia O'Brien	Rebecca Hay

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