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MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASS

10.00am Tuesday – Saturday
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 Tuesdays to Fridays

10.30am – 1.00pm

CLOSED ON SATURDAYS

OPEN Sundays

10.15am – 12.15pm

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – August 17, 2025

Readings for this week:

Jeremiah 38: 4 - 6. 8 - 10; Hebrews 12: 1 - 4; Luke 12: 49 - 53

Reflection on the Gospel

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Pope Leo has said that 'to hope is to connect.' Divisions will come our way from time to time, but unity remains our calling.

Looking at the experience of St Irenaeus of Lyons, who he characterised as being 'among the greatest Christian theologians', the pope wants us 'to understand how beautiful and relevant this hope is.'

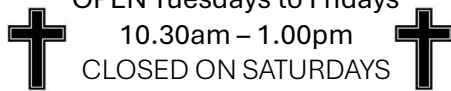
Born in Asia and migrating to Europe, Irenaeus is the type of figure who 'connects East and West.' Irenaeus signifies the migrant experience, the pope reflects, and 'reminds us how peoples continue to enrich one another.'

Moreover, Irenaeus shows us how to rise above the worries of his own time. 'The doctrinal divisions he encountered within the Christian community, the internal conflicts and external persecutions, did not discourage him', the pope explains. 'On the contrary, in a fragmented world he learned how to think better, bringing his attention ever more deeply to Jesus.'

As the pope points out, Irenaeus saw how in Jesus, 'what seems to conflict is reconciled in unity. Jesus is not a wall that separates, but a door that unites us.'

Seeing in Jesus our real hope for unity, the pope therefore encourages us to 'to remain in him and distinguish reality from ideologies.'

Transcending our present political dividedness we are called to manifest our unity in Christ.



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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.

BASILICA OPEN TIMES ARE:

Monday 10.00am – 5.00pm;

Tuesday - Friday, 9.00am – 5.00pm.

Open on the weekend for 10.00am Mass, followed by Reconciliation. Baptisms & Weddings, occasional weekend MAB concerts and for our regular Saturday Vigil & Sunday morning Masses.

See the front page for Mass time details.

** EARLY WARNING NOTIFICATION **

Due to the need of a complete upgrade of the church lighting requiring the use of heavy machinery and moving of pews, the Basilica will be closed all day for 5 days from Monday September 8th – Friday September 12th inclusive. There will be no 10am Mass, Rosary or Benedictions, and the Piety Stall will be also be closed at that time.

FAITH AND LIGHT GEELONG GROUP

Christian community for those with disability and their families. You are invited to next meeting. Tuesday August 19th, at St Mary's in the **Pioneer Room**. Level 2 (access via the Lift) at 150 Yarra Street, Geelong. Come from 2.00pm to 4.30pm for sharing friendship, faith, music and afternoon tea. RSVP by Monday 18th to Tricia O'Keeffe 0414 672 267.

Thank you to all volunteers who helped at our Assumption Feast Day Masses on the Friday just gone. Your extra assistance, and availability is always greatly appreciated.



RADIO MASS This broadcast on PULSE FM 94.7 @ 10.00am on a Sunday, is brought to you from **St Mary's Parish, Geelong**. If you miss the Sunday Mass broadcast, you can listen to the current, and previous Sunday Masses online, 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.

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Christ calls us to "go out and proclaim the Good News." In this jubilee year, we are invited to live that call more deeply. Through this unified campaign, we share in that mission – supporting ministries that serve in need and bring God's love to our communities. Your generous gift helps proclaim the Good News, not only in word, but in action.

– Most Rev Peter A Comensoli

This annual campaign, for the purposes of the Archdiocese, is a chance to support our retired clergy who have served God's people in the past and encourage seminarians preparing to serve in the future.

The Giving Weekend is next weekend

August 23rd/24th and we are encouraged to give generously. **Information flyers are available in the Narthex. Please take one home today.**

ST MARY'S PARISH - FIRST COMMUNIONS

For the Sundays of August 17th, 24th & 31st the children of our parish and school communities will be making their First Communion. Please keep them, and their families, in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare to receive Christ more fully into their lives.



AV VOLUNTEERS FOR 6pm SUNDAY MASS

If this call for help resounds with you, please contact us with your details and availability (or for more information) via email: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au or you can call the Parish Office during the week on 5222 1977. Knowledge of the Catholic Mass Liturgy and some IT skill is preferable. Training on our AV/sound system is provided.

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Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

Practices have resumed for Term 3 @3.30pm in the Hibernian Hall. New members are welcome.

Next Mass: August 24th @ 11am

MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR Come Join Us!!

Next Mass: September 21st @ 11am.

Practice held at 9.30am on the Sunday of the scheduled Mass, prior to the Mass. If you are interested to join the choir, please call 5222 1977 or email Rebecca: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au

BASILICA CHOIR: New members are welcome.

Next Mass: August 17th @ 9.30am

For more information or details please email: jbashiruddin@bigpond.com

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne is excited to be hosting ACYF from 30 Nov. – 2 Dec. 2025.

If you want to know more about ACYF, please visit their website and follow the links to learn details:

<https://acyf.org.au/>

St Mary's Parish - 1% CLUB QUESTION

The answer to last week's question is: The answer is 0 (zero) – [as the letter Z = 0]

New 1% CLUB QUESTION

My favourite musical instrument is a TAMBOURINE. In college, I majored in EDUCATION. My favourite kind of building is a JAILHOUSE.

By that logic, which of these is my favourite vegetable? **A) ASPARAGUS B) BRUSSELS SPROUTS C) CAULIFLOWER D) RUTABAGA**

ST MARY'S PARISH PANTRY

Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong

Pantry operating days and times are:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 1pm – 3pm.

MUSIC AT THE BASILICA

16th Annual Windfire Music Festival

Friday October 3rd - Sunday October 12th

Download a copy of the 2025 Windfire Festival

Program using this link:

<https://musicatthebasilica.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/2025-Festival-Booklet.pdf>

MAB will present six concerts and a series of five short presentations featuring original poetry from local writers and music.

The opening concert will showcase Vox Angelica Geelong Chamber Choir. Other concerts will feature a baroque flute and harpsichord, a string trio with piano, a saxophone quartet, the Australian Boys Choir, and a very special concert with works old and new, performed by a number of well-known local musicians.

The Barwon Health Palliative Care team is hosting a free evening **"CINEMA & CONVERSATION"** on Thursday August 28th at 3.30pm ("Oh Canada") or 6.30pm ("The Salt Path") at the Pivotonian Cinema, 4 Verner St, South Geelong. Supported by the Western Victoria PHN (*an Australian Government initiative*) the **National Dying to Know Day [D2KD]** aims to promote conversations and community actions to support each other at end of life.

Call: 03 4215 5728 for more information.

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

Consult not your fears but your hopes and your dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in, but with what it is still possible for you to do.

- Pope John XXIII

JOKE FOR THE DAY

I told a joke whilst on a Zoom meeting the other day and nobody laughed. Turns out I am not even remotely funny.

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AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:



RECENTLY DECEASED: Mary Piaskowski, John Hewitt, Michael Ganim

CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Bill Riggs, John Thomas Hilder, June Harvey, Ron White, Luigi Ficca, Paul Everett, Juliana Casboul, Margaret Martin, Linda Tatasciore, Leo Carroll, Jeanette O'Connor, Brigid Mary Stroud, Robert James Stroud, Louis Goonan, Marley Vella Maligec, John Vincent D'Andrea

ALL THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL: Elizabeth Leorke

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.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY [CLOW] - FILL OUT YOUR REGISTRATION TODAY!!

Scan this QR code to access the **CHILDREN'S LITURGY REGISTRATION FORM**. [For children Grade 2 – Grade 6] Children are required to be fully registered, and forms submitted prior to sessions. A form must be submitted at least once per year, and updated per school term, if any of your circumstances/details change.

ST. JOHN OF GOD HOSPITAL CHAPEL MASS: Every Thursday at 11.30am

RADIO MASS BROADCAST: SUNDAY 10am on The Pulse FM 94.7



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – August 24, 2025

Readings for next week:

Isaiah 66: 18 - 21; Hebrews 12: 5 - 7, 11 - 13; Luke 13: 22 - 30



Children's Liturgy	August 17	August 24	August 31	September 7
11.00am MASS	Domenica Croce Lina Sidoti	No CLOW xxx Junior Choir	Domenica Croce Liz Bauer	Maria Monea Kerry Tomison

TIMES	Commentator	Reader	Special Ministers	Welcomers	Main Collector
6.00pm VIGIL	Trish Nicholson	Margot Jarman	Margot Jarman Vicki Zavaglia	...	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Corrine Fabre	Terry O'Brien	Nola Schwidlewski Margi Munk	Carlo Werzak	Glenn Acaso
9.30am	Rhonda Sullivan	Marita Campagnolo	Maree Ryan Rhonda Sullivan Vicki Myers	Joanne McMahon	Mick Stokes
11.00am	Pamela Cowdery	Domenica Croce	Pamela Cowdery Barbara Antony ...	Domenica Croce	Prue Lynch
AV	OPERATOR	6.00pm VIGIL	7.30am	9.30am	11.00am
		Natalia Barber	Jack Munk	Marcia O'Brien	Charlene Sagad

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<https://www.facebook.com/St-Mary-of-the-Angels-Parish-103118478011107/>

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