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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

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

Readings for this week:

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

Reflection Leo's Lens

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In his address for the ninth World Day of the Poor Pope Leo pulls no punches: 'Poverty has structural causes that must be addressed and eliminated.' Christ calls us to follow a path of service to others, not self. 'All of us need charity, here and now', the pope reminds us. 'Charity is not just a promise; it is a present reality to be embraced with joy and responsibility.'

Reflecting that 'all this earth's goods, material realities, worldly pleasures, economic prosperity, however important, cannot bring happiness to our hearts', the pope wants us to consider our 'duty to shoulder our responsibilities in history, without hesitation.' It is not enough for us to seek our own paths of personal wealth or even holiness without regard for others. We must look beyond ourselves and keep in mind, as the pope recollects, that 'tradition has constantly insisted on the circular relationship between the three theological virtues of faith, hope and charity.' We should therefore be supporters 'of policies aimed at combatting forms of poverty both old and new.' 'The city of God,' the pope points out, 'impels us to improve the cities of men and women. Our own cities must begin to resemble his.'

Congratulations Fr Jim – on the 32nd Anniversary of your Ordination.

May God continue to bless and guide you as you spread His love and grace to all those you serve. Wishing you all the best as you continue to guide us to a deeper relationship with God. May He bless you abundantly.



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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.

**** CHANGE TO BASILICA CLOSURE DATES ****

Due to questions regarding the availability of equipment required, we are unable to set a definite date for the weeklong closure of the Basilica. It will happen so please keep an eye out for the dates.

****NOTICE**:** The Basilica Toilets are not for Public use and will only be opened up during Mass times for use by those attending Mass.



THE ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN 2025



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Christ calls us to “go out and proclaim the Good News.” Through this unified campaign, we share in that mission – supporting ministries that serve in need and bring God’s love to our communities.

– *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. **THIS weekend - August 23rd/24th** we are encouraged to give generously.

ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX.

Please take one home with you, fill out donation details and 1) post (*postage paid*), 2) return to the Parish Office, or 3) drop in with the Sunday Mass Collections next week.

The QR code, and all relevant campaign details, is contained on the flyers, also in the Narthex.



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<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.

AMENDED NOTICE: AV VOLUNTEERS FOR

6pm SATURDAY VIGIL 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.



In a tradition reaching back to 1940, the Australian Catholic Bishops release major social justice statements each year in time for Social Justice Sunday. Through this tradition they contribute to the development of local Catholic Social Teaching. The statements encourage the Catholic community to reflect and act on social, economic and ecological issues. They remind us of the social dimension of the mission of the Church. The Social Justice Statement for 2024/2025 can be accessed online via this link:

<https://www.catholic.au/s/article/Social-Justice-Statement-2024-2025>

It focuses on the theme "Truth and Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World," emphasizing the need for truth and trust in a world facing increasing violence and conflict. The statement encourages Catholics and all people of goodwill to work towards building peace through dialogue, encounter, and a commitment to truth.



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MULTICULTURAL SOCIAL SUPPORT GROUPS

For communities from different multicultural backgrounds for seniors above 65 years of age. For a small fee you will receive meals and an activity. Transport is available upon request, but subject to availability. **Where:** White Eagle House, 46 – 48 Fellmongers Rd, Breakwater 3219.

Time: 10am – 2.30pm. Fridays only.

For more information and to join the program please email: info@amservices.org.au or call: 03 9689 9170. Website: amservices.org.au

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Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

Practices for Term 3 @3.30pm are held 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 24th @ 9.30am

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

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. **National Dying to Know Day** (an Australian Government initiative) aims to promote conversations and community actions to support each other at end of life.

Call: 03 4215 5728 for more information.

St Mary's Parish - 1% CLUB QUESTION

The answer to last week's question is:

My favourite vegetable is a CAULIFLOWER. All my favourite things include all the vowels A E I O U.

New 1% CLUB QUESTION This is where it begins to get tough. What six-letter word is missing from this alphabet? ACDFHJKLMOPQRTUVWXYZ

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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.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne is 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/>

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK You give a little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give. – Kahlil Gibran



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THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL: Anna Maria Serra

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



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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] All 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.



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – August 31, 2025

Readings for next week:

Sirach 3:17 - 20, 28 - 29; Hebrews 12:18 - 19, 22 - 24; Luke 14:1. 7 - 14



Children's Liturgy	August 24	August 31	September 7	September 14
11.00am MASS	No CLOW xxx Junior Choir	Domenica Croce Liz Bauer	Maria Monea Kerry Tomison	xxx No CLOW Junior Choir

TIMES	Commentator	Reader	Special Ministers	Welcomers	Main Collector
6.00pm VIGIL	Gael Perry	Brendan Sullivan	Gael Perry Trish Nicholson	Diane Read	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Lesley Almond	Terry O'Brien	Barry Leith ...	Monica Pearce	Carlo Werzak
9.30am	Geoff Miles	Ann Salerno	Geoff Miles Ann Salerno Erminia Ficca	...	Geoff Johnston
11.00am	Rosemary Gador	Maria Monea	Liz Bauer Maria Monea Linda Stacchino	Liz Bauer	Klaus Bauer
AV	OPERATOR	6.00pm VIGIL	7.30am	9.30am	11.00am
		Rebecca Hay	Jack Munk	Marcia O'Brien	Charlene Sagad

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