

# ST MARY OF THE ANGELS - GEELONG

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## MASS TIMES

### WEEKDAY MASSES

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 STALL GIFT STALL CLOSED UNTIL FEB 2022

There is a small selection of Christmas cards and gifts Available at the Parish Office.

Office hours are:  
Monday - Friday (9am - 5pm)

Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year C - December 19, 2021

### Readings for this week:

Micah 5: 1 - 4; Hebrews 10: 5 - 10; Luke 1: 39 - 45

### ANNOUNCEMENT

There will no longer be any vaccination requirements nor any requirement for organisers to check vaccination status at Places of Worship for Weddings, Funerals, and general Worship. This means we can all come together to celebrate Mass at St Mary's. We prefer that you still wear a mask inside while visiting or attending Mass at the Basilica. Observe the 1.5m social distancing where possible and sanitize at the stations provided.

Workers at Places of Worship (staff and volunteers) are still required to be fully vaccinated. QR check-in is still required and expected.

Lastly, there are no limits on participants at Places of Worship for Weddings, Funerals, and general Worship – including the opening for private prayer.

### GOOD NEWS FOR ALL!

**Weekday Masses** will commence on a regular basis: Tuesdays through to Saturdays at 10am. **Reconciliation** will be held after the 10am Mass on Saturdays.

**Please note:** The Christmas "undisclosed vaccination" Mass has changed from being a Christmas Mass option to regular 10am Weekday Mass.

**In the week after Christmas:**

Tuesday Dec 28, 2021 – Friday December 31 ... 10am Weekday Mass will be celebrated on all these weekdays.

There will be no New Years Eve evening Mass (Dec 31).

Saturday Jan 1, 2022 – The Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God - 10am Mass and Reconciliation.

Sunday Masses (Jan 2) as per usual schedule - including the 6pm Vigil (on Jan 1) for the Epiphany.

**The Basilica will be open from 9am - 5pm on Weekdays (Monday - Friday).**

It will open on Saturday at 9am - 11.30am (for the public) with Baptisms scheduled for 12noon for families/friends involved. On Sundays the Basilica will be open for the Sunday Masses, closing after the Polish Mass has ended.

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### **“GOD’S WORD” DAILY REFLECTIONS 2022**

A beautiful book of Weekday Liturgy references, Prayers, Reflections and pictures for each day in 2022. Priced at \$20 each. Copies are available for purchase in the Parish Office during the week or in the Narthex after Sunday Mass. You can use our tap and go system to pay (just tap 4 times for the full amount)

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS**

#### **First Reading *Micah 5:1-4***

The Lord says this:

You, Bethlehem Ephrathah, the least of the clans of Judah, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel; his origin goes back to the distant past, to the days of old.

The Lord is therefore going to abandon them till the time when she who is to give birth gives birth. Then the remnant of his brothers will come back to the sons of Israel.

He will stand and feed his flock with the power of the Lord, with the majesty of the name of his God. They will live secure, for from then on he will extend his power to the ends of the land. He himself will be peace.

#### **Responsorial Psalm *Ps 79:2-3. 15-16. 18-19. R. v.4***

(R.) Lord, make us turn to you;  
let us see your face and we shall be saved.

1. O Shepherd of Israel, hear us,  
shine forth from your cherubim throne.  
O Lord, rouse up your might,  
O Lord, come to our help. (R.)
2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,  
look down from heaven and see.  
Visit this vine and protect it,  
the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)
3. May your hand be on the man you have chosen,  
the man you have given your strength.  
And we shall never forsake you again:  
give us life that we may call upon your name. (R.)

#### **Second Reading *Hebrews 10:5-10***

This is what Christ said, on coming into the world:  
You who wanted no sacrifice or oblation, prepared a body for me. You took no pleasure in holocausts or sacrifices for sin; then I said, just as I was commanded in the scroll of the book, ‘God, here I am! I am coming to obey your will.’ Notice that he says first:

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You did not want what the Law lays down as the things to be offered, that is: the sacrifices, the oblations, the holocausts and the sacrifices for sin, and you took no pleasure in them; and then he says: Here I am! I am coming to obey your will. He is abolishing the first sort to replace it with the second. And this will was for us to be made holy by the offering of his body made once and for all by Jesus Christ.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the servant of the Lord: may his will for me be done. Alleluia!

#### **Gospel Reading *Luke 1:39-45***

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah’s house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, ‘Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.’

### **CHRISTMAS TIME - MASS TIMETABLE**

**Christmas Eve Masses:** (Friday Dec. 24) - 6.00pm; 8.00pm; Polish 9.30pm & Midnight Mass.

**Christmas Day Masses:** (Saturday Dec. 25) - 7.30am; 9.30am & 11.00am Mass. Polish Christmas Day Mass at 12.30pm.

**Boxing Day Sunday Masses:** (Sunday Dec. 26) - 7.30am; 9.30am & 11.00am Mass. Polish Boxing Day Mass at 12.30pm.

### **CHRISTMAS PENITENTIAL SERVICE Wednesday**

**December 22, 2021** This year we will not be holding Reconciliation, but rather, a Penitential Service - in the Basilica starting at **7.30pm**.

### **NEW YEAR’S DAY MASS - The Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God.** Jan. 1, 2022 @ 10.00am

#### **NEW YEAR WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

**The Epiphany of our Lord** (Sunday January 2, 2022)

**Saturday Vigil Mass (Jan. 1):** 6.00pm

**Sunday Mass times (Jan. 2):** 7.30am; 9.30am & 11.00am. Polish Mass: 12.30pm.

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

We wish Trudy & Keith Vriens many blessings as they celebrate their 64th Wedding Anniversary. God Bless you & your family.



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### WEEKDAY MASSES - BASILICA OPEN TIMES

The Basilica will open on weekdays from 9am - 5pm. Monday - Friday.  
Due to new allowances in current restrictions, our Weekday Masses will recommence at 10.00am on Tuesdays - Saturdays.  
On weekends the Basilica will be open from 9am - 11.30am for the public - to accommodate the 10am Mass, Reconciliation and some private prayer time. Private Baptism ceremonies are scheduled for 12noon and are just for family and friends.  
The Basilica will open again at 5.30pm for the 6pm Vigil Mass. On Sundays the Basilica will be open from 7am until after the Polish Mass has finished.

**RECONCILIATION** will be held in the Basilica on Saturday morning after the 10am Mass. There will be no Reconciliation on Saturday December 25th due to our Christmas Mass schedule.



We welcome as our new Assistant Parish Priest Fr Jaycee Napoles. In brief, Fr Jaycee is of Filipino background. He was born in the Philippines, came to Australia at a young age, and was raised in the beautiful Parish of Mill Park, Melbourne.

Prior to entering the seminary, Fr Jaycee was a missionary travelling around world helping the less fortunate. He studied at Corpus Christi College for seven years, before his ordination on December 4, 2021 at St Patrick's Cathedral.

We are very blessed to be the recipient of his first appointment. Please introduce yourself when you get the opportunity. He is looking forward to getting to know all of you; to guide, and be with you, on your faith journey.

### ADVENT DAWN NOVENA MASS (SIMBANG GABI)

will be held at St Francis Xavier Church – 143 Bacchus Marsh Road Corio everyday at 5:30am from Dec. 16 - 24, 2021. For more info, please contact Adela Buaya 0409135589. In accordance with the current government regulations, all attendees 12 years and over must provide proof of full Covid vaccination or valid exemption status. Unfortunately, if the status is not provided, you will not be permitted to attend (or even stand outside) QR Check-in & mask-wearing is always compulsory. Please arrive early, to give the Covid Marshals ample time to complete the necessary checks.

### PARISH PANTRY - OPEN

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

**PLEASE NOTE:** Christmas/ New Year Break  
THE PARISH PANTRY WILL BE **CLOSED** ON:  
**THURSDAY DECEMBER 23rd, 2021.**  
(NOT OPEN ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 24th)  
AND IT RE-OPENS ON: **TUESDAY JANUARY 11th, 2022**  
from 1.00pm – 3.00pm

### PANTRY NEWS - REPORT - THANK YOU

I would like to thank all parishioners for the support you have given to the Food Pantry this year. Your generosity with cash donations and grocery items has greatly assisted in the day to day running of the Pantry. I would also like to thank the volunteers for the many hours they have put in to stocking shelves and serving our clients.

For the year we have provided assistance to over 2,200 clients (from 495 families) giving out over 5000 bags of food and essentials. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a healthy New Year. - Allan Reeve (Pantry Coordinator)

### MUSIC AT THE BASILICA

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

**FREE ORGAN RECITALS** from 12.30pm to 1.00pm

### FINAL RECITAL FOR ADVENT

**Monday 20 December** Frank De Rosso, Basilica Organist, Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, Geelong.

### ST SEBASTIAN'S SYRO-MALABAR MISSION, GEELONG presents THIRUPIRAVI 2021

(Holy Nativity) on **Thursday December 30, 2021** - 5.30pm onwards in the Geelong West Town Hall, Pakington St. Come celebrate the Christian message of Christmas, enjoy an Indian dinner and experience the culture. Entry fee is: \$20 pp (admission is free for children under 5). Book your tickets now: <https://www.trybooking.com/BVVKH>

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Mary, let us feel your maternal gaze.  
Guide us to your Son.

May we not be Christians "on display,"  
but Christians ready to "get our hands dirty"  
in building, with your Son Jesus,  
his Kingdom of love, joy and peace. Amen.

- Pope Francis, October 12, 2013

### JOKE OF THE WEEK Oh no! ... What are the chances?

A young boy says to his mother innocently,  
"You can delete the train set from my Christmas wish list". His mother answers quizzically, "Why is that?"  
He replies, "Well...yesterday, I found one in the closet".



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**CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Gaetana Inturrisi, Margaret Stewart, Caterina Costa, Brian Chandley, Mary Sexton, Natale Gulino, Margaret Belleville, Lorna Davies, Rose Virgona, Josephine Snowling, Thomas Fitzgerald, Wendy O’Sullivan, Ron Cox, Katarzyna Paul, Norm Tomison, Edward ‘Ted’ Fitzpatrick

**THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL:** Skye Eagles

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 and 10am on The Pulse FM 94.7



Feast of the Holy Family - Year B - December 26, 2021

Readings for next week:

Sirah 3: 2- 6. 12 - 14; Colossians 3: 12 - 21; Luke 2: 41 - 52



<b>TIMES</b>	<b>Commentator</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Special Ministers</b>	<b>Welcomers</b>	<b>Collector</b>
<b>6.00pm VIGIL</b>	CHRISTMAS DAY NO 6pm MASS	CHRISTMAS DAY NO 6pm MASS	CHRISTMAS DAY NO 6pm MASS	CHRISTMAS DAY NO 6pm MASS	CHRISTMAS DAY NO 6pm MASS
<b>7.30am</b>		Mike McGovern	Rosa Marino Kate Parke	Bridgette Henderson	Jennifer Wolfe
<b>9.30am</b>	Des Guinane	Marita Fitzpatrick	Jennifer Guinane Keith Vriens	Trudie & Keith Vriens Cathy Whelan	Geoff Johnston
<b>11.00am</b>	Santina Taranto	Shirley Carroll	Barbara Antony Pamela Cowdery Liz Bauer	Joan Belleville	Klaus Bauer Michael Belleville

<b>TIMES</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>7.30am</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>11.00am</b>
<b>AV-SOUND OPERATOR</b>	No 6pm Mass	Barry Leith	Clevon Peris	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.



You can also visit our regularly updated and very informative webpage: [www.stmarysgeelong.com.au](http://www.stmarysgeelong.com.au)

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