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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 on THURSDAY FEB. 1st
10.30am - 1.00pm

CURRENTLY CLOSED

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - January 21, 2024

Readings for this week:

Jonah 3: 1 - 5; 10; 1 Corinthians 7: 29 - 31; Mark 1: 14 - 20

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURES

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According to Pope Francis, 'Jesus did not mince words'. Any way you look at it, Christ's proclamation was a turning point in history with phenomenal ramifications. The moment has arrived! The Kingdom of God is close!

There is Good News to be heard!

This was Jesus' message about himself. 'He was the salvation,' the Pope notes, who entered human history in a powerfully new way.

When we look at this Gospel, Jesus also had another component of his message: the way of discipleship. Its elements are straightforward: repent, believe, follow. As the Pope elaborates, Jesus 'invites us to recognise ourselves as in need of God and his grace; to have a balanced attitude with regard to earthly goods; to be welcoming and humble toward everyone; to know and fulfil ourselves in the encounter with and service of others.'

This is how we can change our lives to follow more closely the one in whom we believe.

And, as the Pope further suggests, each phase of our life 'has its own value, and can be a privileged moment of encounter with the Lord.' Therefore, we should be open to welcoming Jesus again and again in new places and situations. Whether in our parishes, homes or workplaces, our lives are full of encounters that can change us and those we meet. This is the way.



Do you have extra time on your hands? Would you like to make a difference? Volunteers are needed to join SJOG "Patient Experience and Consumer engagement Committee". If this is you please contact: Solée Robertson Volunteer Services Co-ordinator on 03 5215 0968 or email solee.robertson@sjog.org.au

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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.

WE'RE BACK!!

RADIO MASS BROADCAST brought to you by **St Mary's Parish, Geelong** is back from Sunday January 21 @ 10.00am on PULSE FM 94.7

Please inform family and friends who like to listen.

CADEL EVANS GREAT OCEAN ROAD RACE

Geelong - Barwon Heads - Torquay

Wednesday January 24 - Sunday January 28

Please be aware of this event as it may affect accessibility to the Basilica for Mass Times or visits.

Visit the website for full details of the event at: cadelevansgreatoceanroadrace.com.au or with your phone you can scan the QR code provided above, and head directly to the 2024 Traffic and Transport Information page. There are also some printed flyers available in the Narthex.



CONFIRMATION - ENROL FOR 2024 - NOW !

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on Wednesday March 20 and Thursday March 21. If you are in the public school system, have a child in Grade 6 in 2024, and you would like them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the Parish Office by Jan 29, 2024, for enrolments, or email Viv: viva@stmarysgeelong.com.au

Classes start on Wednesday February 7 - 4.00pm till 4.45pm in the Pioneer Room (Level 2 - above the Parish Office) - 150 Yarra St, Geelong



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BASILICA MASS TIMES UPDATE:

FRIDAY JANUARY 26 (Australia Day) - 10am
(due to the public holiday, the Basilica will close after the Mass)

LOURDES DAY MASS - Saturday February 10 - 10am (Mass will include an anointing)

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES - February 14.

Times for Masses will be: 10am; 12noon and 7.30pm

FRIENDS OF FAITH AND LIGHT GEELONG

A Christian community for people with a disability, their family, friends and carers. The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday February 10.

You are warmly invited to attend. Venue: St Mary's Pioneer Room (Level 2) 150 Yarra Street. The room will open at 1.30pm. Access to the upper level can be by the lift entrance near Parish Office.

Time: 2.00pm - 4.30pm. Enquiries: Tricia O'Keeffe 0414 672 267 [Email: patriciaok65@gmail.com].

New members are very welcome.

PARISH LENT GROUP 2024

Lent is less than four weeks away, with Ash Wednesday on 14 February this year. A daytime Lent group will meet on Tuesday mornings at 10.45 am (*following the Mass in the Basilica for those who wish to attend*), commencing on 13 February and continuing until Holy Week.

An evening group will also be offered on Mondays at 7.30 pm, commencing on 12 February, but will only go ahead if there are sufficient numbers.

As in previous years, the groups will use the excellent Lent book from the Diocese of Wollongong, which will be available to purchase in coming weeks.

Please register your interest in attending one of the Lent groups by emailing Kevin

kevin@stmarysgeelong.com.au or calling the Parish Office during office hours on 03 5222 1977.

Please supply your name, a contact phone number and/or email address, and which group you are registering for (daytime or evening).

A PLACE OF REMEMBRANCE FOR YOUR LOVED

ONE/S We invite any who are interested, to purchase a Memorial brick which is placed on St Mary's

"Memorial Brick Pathway" - around the edge of the

Basilica's cemented walkways. Please direct all enquiries/interest to Viv or Joanne at the Parish

Office. Call: 5222 1977 or you can email:

admin@stmarysgeelong.com.au

JOIN OUR TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS FOR 2024

WHY NOT DO IT NOW?

Please contact us via email:

rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au or you can call the

Parish Office during the week on 5222 1977.

We especially require more volunteers to enable us to keep the AV-sound going at our Sunday Masses. and look forward to hearing from you soon.

We pray for peace worldwide

“Let us pray with one heart and one soul – Lord come to our aid, grant us peace, teach us peace, guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts and give us the courage to say: Never again war.’ Lord Hear Us.”

“May the weapons be stopped: they will never lead to peace, and may the conflict not widen! Every human being is sacred, is precious in the eyes of God and has the right to live in peace. Let us not lose hope: let us pray and work tirelessly so that the sense of humanity may prevail over hardness of heart.”

(taken from a prayer by Pope Francis)

MUSIC AT THE BASILICA will hold its **AGM** at 7.30pm Tuesday February 13, 2024. All positions on the Committee, except Artistic Director will be open.

Please contact us if you would like to nominate for a position and/or attend the AGM.

Email: music.basilica@bigpond.com

Phone: (Jane) 0447 238 432

St Mary’s Basilica is hosting

Chamber Philharmonia Cologne (from Germany)
Monday March 11th 2024

DON'T MISS THIS RARE OPPORTUNITY to Experience one of Germany’s finest Ensembles, performing a diverse programme ranging from VIVALDI, J. S. BACH and PAGANINI.

Tickets are available from www.ticketmaster.com.au and will be available at the door (cash only) 1 hour prior to the start of the concert.

Tickets: \$45 [Adult]; \$40 [Conc.] \$34 [6 - 18 yrs]

Please Note: Children 5 years and under enter free.

General Admission Only - No seats reserved.

Approximate Running Times: Doors open - 6:00 pm

Start - 7:00 pm Finish - 9:00 pm

ST MARYS PARISH PANTRY

Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong.

NOW OPEN FOR 2024

Pantry operating days and times are: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday between 1.00pm - 3.00pm.

Music at the Basilica 136 Yarra St, Geelong presents

Encounters 2024 "A VOICE, LENT TO MUSIC"

Join **Frank De Rosso (organ)** and associate artists in a journey of music and poetry, leading up to Easter.

Sundays 5.00 to 5.30pm at the Basilica.

Admission is free.

Sunday 11 February **Brigid Mantelli (flute)**

Sunday 18 February **Allister Cox (clarinet)**

Sunday 3 March **Patrycja Radzi-Stewart (violin)**

Sunday 10 March **John Seal (marimba)**

Sunday 17 March **Helen Seymour (poetry)**

ST MARY’S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

Next Mass: Feb. 25, 2024 - 11am. Practices resume on Friday, Feb 9, 2024. They take place in the

Hibernian Hall (Café) on Fridays of the school term. 3.30pm - 4.30pm. New members are most welcome.

Email: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au for enquiries.

MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR **Next Mass:** February 11,

2024 - 11am. Practices resume Sunday Feb.11 at

9.30am, prior to scheduled 11am Mass. If interested to

join please email: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au

BASILICA CHOIR **Next Mass:** Feb. 4, 2024 - 9.30am.

Practices resume Thursday Feb. 1, 2024, 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 FOR THE WEEK

It is not enough to say we are Christians. We must live the faith, not only with our words, but with our actions.

- *Pope Francis*



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CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Max King, Peter 'Sam' Flanders, Ivanka Bartolich, Zenon Ryfinski, Eric Slaven, Beryl O'Dowd, Kathleen Beasley, Anne Cahill, Stanislaw Ciezarek, Angela Buckle, Czeslaw Godlewski

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 in Ordinary Time - Year B - January 28, 2024

Readings for next week:

Deuteronomy 18: 15 - 20; 1 Corinthians 7: 32 - 35 ; Mark 1: 21 - 28

<u>TIMES</u>	<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Special Ministers</u>	<u>Welcomers</u>	<u>Main Collector</u>
6.00pm VIGIL	Trish Nicholson	Brendan Sullivan	Trish Nicholson Gael Perry	Diane Read	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Nola Schwidlewski	Annette Wilkinson	Nola Schwidlewski Mike McGovan	?	Carlo Werzac
9.30am	Ann Salerno	Peter Mackinlay	Des Guinane Erminia Ficca Blake Drever	Joanne McMahon	Geoff Johnston
11.00am	Pamela Cowdery	Angela Fiala	Linda Stacchino Maria Monea Domenica Croce	Domenica Croce	Michael Belleville

<u>TIMES</u>	<u>6.00pm</u>	<u>7.30am</u>	<u>9.30am</u>	<u>11.00am</u>
AV-SOUND OPERATOR	Clevon Peris	Mareta Eagles	Marcia O'Brien	Natalia Barber

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