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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

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – July 20, 2025

Readings for this week:

Genesis 18: 1 - 10; Colossians 1: 24 - 28; Luke 10: 38 - 42

St Mary's Alpha Program starts this week!

Alpha provides a safe and welcoming space in which to explore the big questions of life, especially in the context of the "good news" of Jesus.

ALPHA 2025

Alpha

When: **Wednesday, 23 July, from 7.00pm to 9.00 pm**, and each week until 24 September. And it is free of charge!
Where: **St Mary's Parish Centre, Hibernian Room** (downstairs), **150 Yarra Street, Geelong.**

What to expect? Each session has three key ingredients:

1. Connect over a meal;
2. Watch a video exploring the big issues of life and faith, unpacking the basics of Christian belief; and
3. Discuss the video presentation in a small group, hearing from others about their own perspectives and experiences in an honest, friendly, open and safe environment. It'll be a great chance to connect with others interested in exploring the big questions of life and in nurturing their faith.

After each Mass this weekend, there will be members of the parish Alpha team available in the Narthex if you wish to discuss Alpha or register for it. You can also register using the QR code or call the parish office on 5222 1977, but please don't delay.

For further information see www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/alpha

We hope you will join us for the exciting journey that will be **Alpha 2025** at St Mary's Parish!



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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.**

Reflection - Leo's Lens

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Pope Leo wants us to keep in mind that 'authentic wisdom has more to do with recognising the true meaning of life, than with the availability of data.' Reflecting on rapid advances presently being made in Artificial Intelligence, the pope encourages everyone to engage in 'serious reflection... on the inherently ethical dimension of AI.' While acknowledging that AI has 'extraordinary potential to benefit the human family', he notes that it 'also raises deeper questions concerning the proper use of such technology in generating a more authentically just and human global society.' Generative AI particularly 'raises troubling questions on its possible repercussions on humanity's openness to truth and beauty,' he says. It risks affecting 'our distinctive ability to grasp and process reality.' While we need not turn our backs on technological progress, we should regularly pause and reflect on what real progress means. Whatever use we make of AI, if it takes us away from being attentive to truth and justice then something is awry. As the pope reminds us, 'tools ... draw much of their ethical force from the intentions of the individuals that wield them.' Each of us, therefore, should reflect on when and how and why we use AI. Does it help us attend to Christ, or subtly guide us away?

Australian Catholic Youth Festival

Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) is a national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Australian Bishops more than ten years ago. Run over three days, the festival provides young people from across Australia with the opportunity to come together to connect, deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to live their faith in the world and experience the breadth of the Church in Australia.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne is excited to be hosting ACYF from 30 November – 2 December 2025 and is looking forward to welcoming thousands of young people to Melbourne. St Mary's Parish is looking forward to taking our young people who are 18 years and above to ACYF. If you are interested, please contact Fr Jim Clarke: 5222 1977. If you want to know more about ACYF, go to <https://acyf.org.au/>



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CATHOLIC MISSION – PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Zambia to help women overcome poverty and mothers give birth safely.

The Women's Cooperative, led by Sr Jane will provide women with the training and support required to break the cycle of scarcity, and the Chilonga Mission Hospital is determined to ensure every woman and baby receives a safe and dignified start to life.

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to be 'Missionaries of hope among all peoples', and we invite you to extend Christ's love to those in need in Zambia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/mission, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.

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The Pulse is a volunteer-run community group and relies on help and support from the community. They are now needing our help and support, due to recent changes in structure.

For a long time, Geelong's community radio station, 94.7 The Pulse, has been broadcasting the weekly Mass from St Mary's at 10am on Sunday mornings. This is indeed a great service for those who, for various reasons, can't make it to Mass at the Basilica in person, and those who have no access to Mass online. The broadcast has recently been endangered due to the lack of available Mass editors (@St Mary's) and funding. If you would like the Mass to continue, we invite and encourage you to subscribe to The Pulse or make a tax-deductible donation. **Every little bit helps.** Call The Pulse between 10am and 4pm on weekdays on 5222 5947 or visit the website <https://947thepulse.com/>

ROOM/HOUSE SHARE/BOARD REQUIRED
 Young adult male looking for accommodation. Preferably in Leopold, Moolap, or Newcomb. Comes with good references, good rental history; is responsible, employed and very reliable. Please call the Office 5222 1977 [Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays] for more details, or email rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au. Thank you

GRANDMOTHER SEEKS ACCOMODATION Healthy 75 year old grandmother is seeking accommodation in or around the Belmont area. Family live in Belmont, so a 1 or 2 bedroom unit close by would be ideal. Has good references, loves gardening, craft and reading. Please contact: 0418 573 354

St Mary's Parish - 1% CLUB QUESTION
The answer to last week's question is: Eagerly
A big cat drank eagerly ... the first letter of each word is in alphabetical order.

New 1% CLUB QUESTION
 You roll three standard dice to find a three-digit number, eg. 235. What is the highest number you can roll where all digits add up to 10?

ST MARY'S PARISH PANTRY
 Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong
 Pantry operating days and times are:
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 1pm – 3pm

PARISH FEAST DAY – SUNDAY JULY 27th, 2025
**** IT'S NEXT WEEKEND ** IT'S NEXT WEEKEND ****
REGISTER TODAY!
 Call the Parish Office: 
 5222 1977 or email
 Rebecca at: **"ST MARY'S GOT TALENT"**
rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au

**12 noon
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MUSIC AT THE BASILICA
 136 Yarra St. Geelong
presents **RENAISSANCE REQUIEM**
 Sunday 10th August 2025 – 3.30pm

The Australian Chamber Choir returns to the Basilica with a program of music by Thomas Tomkins, Morten Lauridsen, Thomas Tallis, Thomas Morley, William Byrd, Orlando Gibbons, Heinrich Schütz, Raffaella Aleotti, John Dowland.

The program will feature Tomás Luis de Victoria's - Missa pro Defunctis and a newly commissioned work by Gordon Kerry - Missa pro Defunctis 2024.

Conducted by Douglas Lawrence and performed in the superb acoustics of the Basilica, this promises to be a very special experience!

PARISHIONER LOOKING FOR WORK - Can you help?
 New parishioner looking to obtain a position, (possibly working in Age Care sector) as a cleaner. Please call Sara: 0470 506 735.

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK
 Inner peace begins the moment you make the decision not to allow another person or event to control your emotions and set the mood for your day
 - Anonymous

JOKE FOR THE DAY
 What do you call a line of gentlemen waiting to get their hair cut?
 A barberqueue.



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AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:



RECENTLY DECEASED: Sr Nancy Freddi RSM, Juan Torre, Giuseppina Pirera, Lawrence Gardiner, Francisco "Frank" Belamide, Ana Marie Alfeloro-De Jesus

CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Maurice Joseph Rolfs, Charles Edwin Stroud, Greitje Vahland, Mary Turner, Douglas Hood, Sr Bridget Lourey RSM, Roman Humeniuk, Jean McFarlane, Virginia Hollander, Antonio Tortoreto, Rose Santospirito, Bonifacia Salapa, Assunta Virgona, Rosairo & Cheryl Margulio, Erlinda Porquillano, John Alexander McLean, Felicidad Banal, Lazaro de Guzman Snr. **Month Mind:** Rosa Spitale

ALL THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL: Jenny Lee

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 10am on The Pulse FM 94.7



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – July 27, 2025

Readings for next week:

Genesis 18: 20 - 32; Colossians 2: 12 - 14; Luke 11: 1 - 13



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.

Children's Liturgy	July 20	July 27	August 3	August 10
11.00am MASS	Cancelled xxx	Slavica Kulic Nina Tarsitano	Slavica Kulic Lina Sidoti	Maria Monea Kerry Tomison

TIMES	Commentator	Reader	Special Ministers	Welcomers	Main Collector
6.00pm VIGIL	Trish Nicholson	Lachlan Buchanan	Margot Jarman Vicki Zavaglia	...	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Barry Leith	Corrine Fabre	Margi Munk Annette Wilkinson	Brenda MacGregor	Lachlan Buchanan
9.30am	Marita Camagnolo	Ann Salerno	Erminia Ficca Marita Campagnolo Ann Salerno	Joanne McMahon	Mick Stokes
11.00am	Pamela Cowdery	Alec Kulic	Lina Sidoti Pamela Cowdery Domenica Croce	Prue Lynch	...
AV	OPERATOR	6.00pm VIGIL	7.30am	9.30am	11.00am
		Rebecca Hay	Keith Almond	Teresa Eadie	Natalia Barber

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

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