

# ST MARY OF THE ANGELS - GEELONG

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**Bulletin Notices:** Due by: Thursday 1.00pm Email: [rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto: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

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10.30am - 1.00pm,

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## TRINITY SUNDAY - Year B - May 26, 2024

### Readings for this week:

**Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20**

### REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

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A famous icon of the Trinity depicts the three persons at a table where there are four place settings. The final place, in the lower half of the painting, invites the viewer to take the seat and join them. It's profound theology and masterful art, but we can quickly misunderstand it.

We are not just personally invited to join in the very life of God, and pull together with them in their loving and saving of the world. The seat at the table is reserved for all of humanity.

In practical terms it is impossible to profess belief in the Trinity, on the one hand, and then work at things which pull the human family apart, on the other. It is scandalous to hold to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and be known as racist, bigoted and sexist, to not care about refugees or those who die each day of starvation. We cannot keep signing ourselves in the name of a Triune God and then work hard at getting richer and more secure while the rest of humanity grow poorer and lack the necessities for human dignity. Ghandi once said, 'I love the New Testament and the Christian ideas about God and I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians practise what they preach.'

Trinity Sunday is not about theological mathematics, working out how three goes into one. It's about gaining the strength at this Eucharist to pull together to see that all of God's children have the opportunity to hear the good news of how much God loves us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and so can take their privileged place at God's table. Most people will learn about the saving love of God primarily through the way they observe us seeing, judging and acting.

It's not by accident that in our Catholic tradition the usual moment we invoke the Trinity is when we make the sign of the cross. It reminds us that 'we cannot have our cake and eat it too'. Every time we profess the Trinity we recommit ourselves to die to self so that God's saving love may be realised for everyone, everywhere.

So let's not only profess our belief in the three persons that make up our one God, but live the life that goes with it, 'In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.'



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**\*\* PLEASE NOTE \*\***

**THE PARISH OFFICE HOURS HAVE CHANGED**

The Parish Office will now be open during the week Monday to Friday from 9.00am - 4.30pm.

**ALTAR SERVERS FOR SUNDAY MASS**

If you have made your First Communion and would like to become an Altar Server at any Sunday Mass, we invite you to contact Fr Jude:  
[j.johnson@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:j.johnson@stmarysgeelong.com.au) or call: 5222 1977

Training is provided. **New servers always welcome.**

**ST MARY'S SCRIPTURE GROUP**

You are invited to attend the 10am Weekday Mass, or only attend the meeting. Meetings are held in the Pioneer Room (above the Parish Office at 150 Yarra Street, Geelong) around 10.45am. You are not required to book your place in advance.

For further information, contact Kevin via email:  
[kevinm@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:kevinm@stmarysgeelong.com.au)

**THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES 2024-2025**

The new 2024/2025 sets of envelopes are available in the Narthex (on the Information Desk).

**Thank you to those who have already picked up their envelopes.**

To all others please collect your envelopes asap. To do so will help ease the Parish of the exorbitant costs involved in posting them out to you. If you need to arrange for pick up from the Parish Office please give us a call during the week. [03 5222 1977]

**MAY MASS COUNT 2024 - Week 4 (final week)**

Please do not be alarmed if you see people walking around, looking at you and counting during the Homily, at all Sunday Masses. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this past month.

The **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** is holding its next general meeting on **Tuesday June 18.**

If you would like to raise an issue for the consideration of the council you can email them at: [pastoralcouncil@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:pastoralcouncil@stmarysgeelong.com.au) or contact the Parish Office 5222 1977.

The council inbox is managed by volunteers and is checked just prior to meetings, please note that it may not be possible to discuss all matters at the immediate meeting and some matters may be referred to a more appropriate forum.

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**11am MASS - CHILDREN'S LITURGY UNDER REVIEW**

We have had to postpone this service due to a necessary review of current Safeguarding protocols and procedures.

**We are hoping to reinstate Children's Liturgy in Term 3 (on Sunday July 21)**

Meanwhile, we have clipboards in the Narthex with printed Children's Liturgy activities reflecting the Liturgy each week (© LiturgyHelp online)

These can be used during Sunday Mass or taken home to complete. They will reflect the Liturgy of the day. *Textas and pencils are not provided - BYO.*

Please remove any unwanted copies as you leave, and place them in the bin in the Narthex. Thank you

**JOIN OUR DEDICATED TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP**

Please contact us via email:

[rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au) or you can call the Parish Office during the week on 5222 1977.

We especially require extra volunteers to enable us to keep the AV-sound available at all of our Sunday Masses. Thank you

**CIRCLE OF MERCY Sacred Heart College [SHC]**

The Path of Mercy: Seeking Truth

Where: online via Zoom When: **Thursday 30/5/2024**

Time: 7.00pm - 8:30pm

Speaker: Caroline Thompson Cost: Free!

Click on this link below to access the Flyer, which contains the Trybooking details and links.

<https://www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/files/Circle%20of%20Mercy%20Flyer%20-%20CarolineThomson.pdf>



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## RADIO MASS

Broadcast brought to you by **St Mary's Parish, Geelong** @ 10.00am Sunday on PULSE FM 94.7

## ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

Join Us!

Junior Choir has been in this Parish for 20+ years. It was started in 2003. The choir was created to be a place where children of the Parish can socialise and sing in praise of the Lord, in a safe and happy environment. It gives them an opportunity to offer their musical talents at an 11am Mass once a month. (the 4th Sunday)

**New members are always welcome and we invite you to take the next step and become involved.**

If you are interested, please call Rebecca at the Parish Office on 5222 1977 during the week, or you can email: [rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au)

Weekly practices are held during the school term on a Friday after school [3.30pm - 4.30pm]

Practices are held in the Hibernian Hall [Café Light].

**Next Mass: May 26, 2024 11.00am [Trinity Sunday]**

Email: [rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au) for enquiries.

A BIG  
thank  
you

St Mary's Parish would like to acknowledge and thank, one of our parishioners, Kerry Irwin for her outstanding, quiet voluntary work, done on behalf of our parish.

After 18 years, Kerry is retiring from coordinating a regular team of volunteers, who provide a hot home

-cooked meal, on the 2nd Wednesday afternoon of every month, to those who come to the Community Meals Outreach at Christ Church in Moorabool St. The team prepare and serve with genuine spirit of service, inspired by Kerry's warm smile and gentle leadership and guidance.

We wish Kerry a relaxing retirement with her family. This ecumenical Outreach is appreciated by all. If you are interested to find out more, or would like to join this team of helpers, you would be most welcome to enquire. Contact St Mary's Parish Office with your details your details, and they will be passed onto this Outreach program. Call: 03 5222 1977

## ST MARYS PARISH PANTRY - OPEN

Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong.

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

## EGG CARTONS - EGG CARTONS - EGG CARTONS

If you have any empty egg cartons you can donate to the Parish Pantry, please drop them off to the Parish Office during the week. Thank you.

## Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

### ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

See current notice for details about this Choir.

### MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR

Next Mass: June 16, 2024 - 11am. Practice is prior to the 11am Mass - starting at 9.30am in the Hibernian Hall [Café Light]. If interested to join please email:

[rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au)

### BASILICA CHOIR

**Please note: The Basilica Choir will be on a break for May and June 2024.** Returning to sing at the 9.30am Mass on July 7.

### The Basilica Choir is celebrating 70 years!

For the full story please visit our website:

[www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/parish\\_choirs](http://www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/parish_choirs) or to

directly access the PDF please click on this link:

<https://www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/files/Basilica%20Choir%2070%20year%20Blurb%20April%202022%202024.pdf>

## QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

To succeed in life you need 3 things: a wishbone, a backbone and a funny bone. - *Reba McEntire*

## JOKE OF THE DAY Brain Freeze - in the land of Oz



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**AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:**

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** James Nott, Efren Narito Pizarro, Dianne Edwards



**CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Catherine 'Kit' O'Rourke, Thomas Boyd, Laudadio Antonietta, Gaspare Ficca, Salvatore Milone, Salvina Milone, Rocco Raimond, Carmela Genovese, Keith Russell, Julita P Evangelista, Margaret Featherston, Valeriana Balase, Dionisio Balase, Joy Lydia Balase, Vicente Balase, Sebastian Balase, Eva Joyce Hunt, Archie Hunt, Paul Hunt, Harold Stewart, David Brennan, Antonio Croce **Month Mind:** Reynaldo Mangas

**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



**BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST - Corpus Christi - Year B - June 2, 2024**

**Readings for next week:**

**Exodus 24: 3 - 8; Hebrews 9: 11 - 15; Mark 14: 12 - 16, 22 - 26**

<u>TIMES</u>	<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Special Ministers</u>	<u>Welcomers</u>	<u>Main Collector</u>
<b>6.00pm VIGIL</b>	Gael Perry	Natalia Barber	Vicki Zavaglia Margot Jarman	Diane Read	Vince Zavaglia
<b>7.30am</b>	Barry Leith	Lesley Almond	Nola Schwidlewski Annette Wilkinson	Brenda MacGregor	tbc
<b>9.30am</b>	Marita Fitzpatrick	Jennifer Guinane	Ann Salerno Erminia Ficca Jennifer Guinane	Anna Demetriou	Mick Stokes
<b>11.00am</b>	Linda Stacchino	Pamela Cowdery	Slavica Kulic Nina Tarsitano Domenica Croce	Maria Monea	Klaus Bauer

<u>TIMES</u>	<u>6.00pm</u>	<u>7.30am</u>	<u>9.30am</u>	<u>11.00am</u>
<b>AV-SOUND OPERATOR</b>	Rebecca Hay	Keith Almond	Marcia O'Brien	Georgia Cowdery

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