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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


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 10.30am – 1.00pm  
 CLOSED ON SATURDAYS  
 OPEN Sundays  
 10.15am – 12.15pm
 

## Third Sunday of Easter - Year C – May 4, 2025

### Readings for this week:

**Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32. 40-41; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19**

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

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Regardless of its original intended purpose, this passage of the Gospel provides a wonderful account of the appearance of the resurrected Jesus to his disciples. Like other post-resurrection accounts, the disciples do not at first recognise Jesus and it is not until the miraculous catch of fish that the beloved disciple declares, 'It is the Lord'. In a beautifully everyday touch, the risen Jesus prepares breakfast on the beach for the disciples and blesses the simple food in the same way as he did the bread and wine at their last supper.

*We make a living by what we get... we make a life by what we give.*

We are about to embark on a Sacrificial Offering Campaign (starting in June).

Campaigns such as this are as old as the church itself. The first recorded sacrificial offering campaign is found in the time of St Paul. Writing to the newly converted Christians of Achaia, he reminded them: Those who sow sparingly will reap sparingly, and those who sow bountifully, will reap bountifully. Everyone must give according to what they have decided in their heart; not with sadness, or grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God can bless you in every way, so that you may always have enough of everything with a surplus for every good work; as it is written "Lavishly he gave to the poor, his generosity endures forever."

**What is a Sacrificial Offering?** A sacrificial offering is something given or done as a sacrifice. It is the act of a grateful person, freely giving back part of what their God-given talents have enabled them to gain, achieve and obtain. When you offer a part of the "fruits of your work", you offer yourself to God – that is what "sacrifice" means.

We ask you to think about and seriously consider "My pledge to offer... What shall it be? How can I help build, develop and grow our Parish?"

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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.

## GOSPEL REFLECTION (continued)

### Gospel Focus – Do you love me?

Three times Jesus asks Peter, 'Do you love me?' and three times Peter answers, 'You know I do'. Some writers suggest that the three-fold question by Jesus and the three-fold reply by Peter is intended to balance out the triple denial of Jesus by Peter at the time of the arrest and trial of Jesus. Where once Peter denied even knowing Jesus, he now declares his love for Jesus in no uncertain terms. It is a reminder to all of us that there is no act that we can perform that cannot be forgiven by God and from which we cannot come back.

### BASILICA OPEN TIMES ARE:

Monday 10am - 5pm; Tuesday - Friday, 9am - 5pm. Open on the weekend for Saturday 10am Mass, Reconciliation, Baptisms & Weddings, and for regular Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses.

**See front page for Mass time details.**

### CAFÉ LIGHT Sunday May 4, 2025

Please come and join us **TODAY**

at Café Light, over in the Parish Centre, at 150 Yarra St, between 10.30am – 12.30pm.

Sacred Heart College staff and student volunteers will be there to serve lovely 'homemade' treats and tea/coffee. The cost per serve, per person is \$5.00. All donations go towards support for our partner parish in Viqueque.



### VIQUEQUE SUNDAY – May 4<sup>th</sup>

Envelopes are available in the Narthex if you wish to donate to support the community. These envelopes can be taken home, filled and returned the following week, and can be placed in with the Collection at Sunday Masses. They can also be dropped into the Parish Office during the week. Eftpos donations at the Parish Office will also be gratefully accepted. Thank you for your generosity.

### ST BERNARD'S PARISH ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

Invitation to attend on Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup> starting at 8am and finishing at 2pm. Where? Clairvaux School Hall, Reynolds Road. Belmont. Come along and browse a huge selection of second-hand books, fiction & non-fiction, and children's books – all at bargain prices. Plus: Jigsaw puzzles, DVDs & CDs and a Cake Stall.

### MAY MASS COUNT 2025 - Starts this

**weekend.** For the 4 weekends in May, starting on May 4<sup>th</sup> we will be conducting our annual Parish May Mass count on behalf of the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Please do not be alarmed if you see people walking around, looking at you and counting during the Homily at all Sunday Masses.

### THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

There are still some Thanksgiving envelopes for the new financial year 2025/2026, in the Narthex. If you have not already done so, please collect your envelopes, as soon as possible, or arrange for collection to help save the Parish the costs of postage. Thank you.

### GEELONG CATHOLIC DINERS' CLUB

You are warmly invited to join us for a social get-together for food and friends for our dinner for May.

**Date:** Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. **Time:** 6.00 pm.

**Venue:** Great Western Hotel, "Western Room" access from the bar, cnr. Aberdeen St & Shannon Ave, Newtown. **Cost:** Purchase of meals and drinks at your own cost. If you do wish to come to the dinner, please phone or text Joan 0429 215 111 or Michael 0431 959 584 by Friday May 9<sup>th</sup>.

**SING JOYFULLY** a concert of sacred and secular choral music 4:00pm to 5:00pm, Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup>, @ Sacred Heart College Chapel, 61 Retreat Rd, Newtown. VIC. 3220 Parking is available around the College grounds. Tickets: General Admission is \$10 per person. Concession is \$5 per person. Book your tickets using this link provided. <https://www.trybooking.com/DAXYY> Proceeds from this event will benefit the Sacred Heart College Music Program.

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# CHILDREN'S Liturgy

Will be available at the 11am Mass on Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>. We encourage families to come along to this Mass and guide their children to becoming involved in learning about the Lord our God, through prayers, discussions and activities, using the readings & liturgy of the day. Children's Liturgy of the Word [CLOW] will be held regularly on the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays of a month.

## VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY MASS – URGENT!!

Please contact us with your details and availability, or for more information via email: [rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au) or you can call the Parish Office during the week on 5222 1977.

**EGG CARTONS** The Parish Pantry is requiring donations of empty egg cartons. If you have any please bring them into the Parish Office during the coming weeks. Thank you.

## WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK - WWCC

Click on this link to access details online: <https://service.vic.gov.au/services/working-with-children> If you need help to update please contact the Parish Office. 5222 1977. *Complete your update and please remember to submit updated details to the Parish Office. You need a current WWCC to volunteer in the parish.*

*Once you have completed and informed the Office of your updated details, the **Safeguarding module** link will be emailed to you. Please let us know if your email details have changed.*

## St Mary's Parish - 1% CLUB QUESTION

**The answer for last week is:** The answer to the four-word phrase is: **I am a Winner**.  
*Rather than only removing 2 letters, one changes focus and removes "TWO LETTERS" from the original set of letters provided.*

**New 1% CLUB QUESTION** Listen up! What is the only letter of the alphabet logically missing from this set of letters? **B C D E G T**

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Pantry operating days and times are:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 1pm – 3pm

**MONETARY DONATIONS TO THE PARISH PANTRY  
ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.**

In the tax deductibility register the Pantry is titled  
"St Marys Parish Pantry" (*note: no apostrophe*)

## MUSIC AT THE BASILICA

136 Yarra St, Geelong presents

on Sunday May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 4.00pm

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the door. Cash or card payments welcome.

Children & students are free.

## Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

### ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

**Junior Choir practices have resumed.**

Weekly practices are held during the school term on a Friday after school [3.30pm - 4.30pm] in the Hibernian Hall [Café Light].

**Next Mass: May 25 @ 11am**

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

**MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR** Come Join Us!!

**Next Mass: May 18 @ 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: New members welcome.**

Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7.30pm to 9.00pm in the Sodalities Room at the rear of St Mary's Basilica – entry from outside.

**Next Mass: May 4 @ 9.30am**

For more information or details please email:

[jbashiruddin@bigpond.com](mailto:jbashiruddin@bigpond.com)

**QUOTE FOR THE WEEK** "The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today." - *Franklin D. Roosevelt*

## JOKE FOR THE DAY

What do you call fake spaghetti? An impasta.

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**CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Nevia Di Loreto, Michael De Vercelli Jnr, Elsa Callegher, Fernando Zablan, Francesco Musella, Bernito Mandalunes, Ezio Zauner, Francis 'Frank' Costa, Noreen Maher, Patricia McPherson, Bob Warren, Giuseppe Inturrisi, Peter O'Toole, Angela McDonald, Teresita Saligumba, Alma Walsh, Janette Konradt

**THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL:** Feliks Szulcz

*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 of Easter - Year C – May 11 2025**

**Readings for next week:**

**Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52; Revelation 7:9, 14-17; John 10:27-30**



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD [CLOW] – HAS COMMENCED FOR TERM 2.**

Sessions will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of a month. [For children Grade 2 – Grade 6] Full registration is required prior to the sessions.

Scan this QR code to access the **CHILDREN'S LITURGY REGISTRATION FORM.**

Children's Liturgy	May 4	May 11	May 18	May 25
<b>11.00am MASS</b>	Slavica Kulic Liz Bauer	Maria Monea Kerry Tomison	Domenica Croce Nina Tarsitano	xxx NO CLOW Junior Choir

TIMES	Commentator	Reader	Special Ministers	Welcomers	Main Collector
6.00pm VIGIL	Trish Nicholson	Brendan Sullivan	Gael Perry Trish Nicholson	Yvette Ramsay	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Annette Wilkinson	Philip De Rose	Annette Wilkinson Margi Munk	Carlo Werzac	Lachlan Buchanan
9.30am	Vicki Myers	Rhonda Sullivan	Geoff Miles Anne Salerno Erminia Ficca	Joanne McMahon	Mick Stokes
11.00am	Santina Taranto	Alec Kulic	Pamela Cowdery Liz Bauer Maria Monea	Liz Bauer	Klaus Bauer
<b>AV</b>	<b>OPERATOR</b>	<b>6.00pm VIGIL</b>	<b>7.30am</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>11.00am</b>
		Rebecca Hay	Barry Leith	Dominic Andrews	Natalia Barber

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