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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 Tuesdays to Fridays:

10.30am - 1.00pm,

Sundays: 10.15am - 12.15pm.

Closed on Saturdays.

Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year B - May 5, 2024

Readings for this week:

Acts of the Apostles 10: 25 - 26. 34 - 35. 44 - 48;

1 John 4: 7 - 10; John 15: 9 - 17

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURES

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Jesus' command to 'love one another' is given twice in this short passage. As such, it needs to be taken seriously and become the guiding principle in our daily lives. But, as Pope Francis once said, expressing Christian love means going beyond 'words, words, words'.

'First and foremost,' the Pope points out, 'it is important to realise that Christ's love is not a superficial feeling.' In this Gospel passage Jesus was not telling his disciples to be unflappably polite or overtly nice to each other. This was not a message about social conventions. Jesus is concerned with our attitude toward others, and those actions that flow from it. 'Love,' as the Pope points out, 'is fulfilled in everyday life, in attitudes, in deeds.'

As the Pope has repeatedly stressed, loving another person often requires us to challenge our own attitudes. We are called to love everyone, with openness to, as the Pope puts it, 'however they may be and whatever their situation.'

While sometimes hard, this is our Christian duty: We are called to love in response to being loved.

Which means it is not our place to judge or put conditions on the love we receive and share. 'To love as the Lord loves us,' the Pope says, 'means to appreciate the people beside us, to respect their freedom, to love them as they are, not as we want them to be.'

Nick Brodie is an Australian historian and writer who is currently Dean of Academic Studies of Jane Franklin Hall in Hobart. A graduate of the Australian National University, Flinders University, and the University of Tasmania, he is the author of several books on Australian history and numerous essays on historical, political, and religious topics. In 2017 he was awarded the Bruce Mansfield Prize for the best article in the Journal of Religious History. He is currently studying Theology.

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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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY will be held at 11am Mass on the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays of each month. [Not on the 4th Sunday as Junior Choir sings, and Baptisms are held] We invite our families to come along to this Mass, and encourage your children to join in and learn about the Lord our God, through prayers, discussions and activities, using the readings & liturgy of the day.

ST MARY'S SCRIPTURE GROUP

The group gathers each week on Tuesdays, to reflect on and discuss the Scripture readings, especially the Gospel, for the coming Sunday Mass, and to pray together. You may also attend the 10am Weekday Mass, or only attend the meeting. **The approximate start time is: 10.45am.** Meetings are held in Pioneer Room (above the Parish Office at 150 Yarra Street, Geelong). You are not required to book your place in advance. For further information, contact Kevin via email: kevinm@stmarysgeelong.com.au



VIQUEQUE SUNDAY MAY 5.

Today we pray for our partner parish of Mary Immaculate in Viqueque. Please use the envelopes in the Narthex if you wish to donate to support the community. These envelopes, can be placed in with the Collection at Sunday Masses, or can be dropped into the Parish Office during the week. Thank you for your generosity.

MAY MASS COUNT 2024

Over the next 4 weeks we will be conducting the Annual May Mass count on behalf of the Melbourne Archdiocese. Please do not be alarmed if you see people walking around, looking at you and counting during the Homily at all Sunday Masses.

ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOR
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.

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



ST BERNARD'S CHURCH ANNUAL BOOK FAIR Sunday May 5. Clairvaux School Hall, Reynolds Rd. Belmont. It runs from **8.00am to 2.00pm.**

Come along & browse through a huge selection of Second-hand Books - fiction, non-fiction & children's books, Jigsaw puzzles, Board games, DVDs & CDs as well as a Scrumptious Scone Stall. There is something for everyone.

ARE YOU ABLE TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION?

St John of God Hospital is asking for help to accommodate some 4th year students (aged mid 20s) who are on clinical rotation for a time from April to September. (as individuals, or as a group). If interested please inform us of the type of accommodation you have available. ie. a room, a self contained flat, meals or no meals etc. For more information please contact Dr Stephan Foy on: 0411 206 774 or you can email: stephan.foy@nd.edu.au Thank you.

ST MARGARET'S PRIMARY SCHOOL MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE



Win a \$2500 Helloworld-Leopold voucher (1st prize).
2nd prize: \$500 Crown Hotels voucher
3rd Prize: \$200 Pamper Package with Medispa - At the Heads.
Only 600 tickets available: \$25 per ticket, or purchase a package. (details online)
Enter the Mother's Day Raffle by using the QR code provided above or visit the website using the URL: www.rafflink.com/stmargeast2024



2024 TRIVIA NIGHT Geelong-Viqueque Friendship Schools

Trivia Night celebrating the ongoing friendship between Geelong and Viqueque in Timor Leste, and is a major fundraiser to support education in Viqueque.

VENUE: Clonard College May 10 2024 Entrance is via Murphy's Lane, Herne Hill.

TIME: starting at 7pm and finishing at 11pm. Professional quiz masters Mick and Erin will lead the fun and the trivia. **BYO drinks, glasses and food.**



COST: \$35 per adult/\$20 per student. There will be a Live Auction and Raffle.



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Time: 3.30pm. **Cost:** \$40 Adults;

\$25 Pensioner & Students

Program: Repertoire highlights to include:

CAZZATI *Ciaccona à from Correnti, balletti, galiarde (1659)*, CORELLI '*Ciaccona*', *Trio Sonata in G major, Op. 2 No. 12*, BRESCIANELLO *Trio Sonata in C minor for violin, oboe and continuo*, VIVALDI *Concerto for strings in G minor, RV 157*, JANITSCH *Sonata da Camera in G minor, O Haupt voll Blut und Wunden*. **To book your ticket** go to: www.brandenburg.com.au or call: 1300 782 856

GEELONG CATHOLIC DINERS CLUB

You are warmly invited to a social get-together for food & friendship. **Date:** May 14 **Time:** 6:00pm
Venue: The Bistro, Belmont Hotel, High St, Belmont.
Cost: Purchase meals & drinks at your own cost.
Please advise by May 13 **RSVP:** 0409 165 943 or email: johnsantospirito60@gmail.com

CATHOLIC CARE VICTORIA - SUNDAY APPEAL

This Appeal is typically held in August, but has been moved to May for 2024. Therefore we will be putting out appeal envelopes and encouraging donations on the weekend of **May 18/19**.

Your support and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individuals and families in our community. You can also donate online at: www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call: 03 9287 5513.

BEWARE - SPAM EMAILS

are doing the rounds. If you receive an email claiming to be from anyone from the parish ie. Fr Jim or Fr Jude, please check the email address it was sent from. All parish emails are listed on the front of the Bulletin, and anything different to them is not valid.

Emails requesting your personal details, information or asking for your help regarding donations, will not be coming from us.

We advise that you do not reply to suspicious emails. Block sender and delete the email.

If you have any queries or issues please call the Parish Office on 03 5222 1977.

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Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

Next Mass: May 26, 2024 11am

New members are most welcome. Practices are. 3.30pm - 4.30pm, on Fridays during the school term. They are held in the Hibernian Hall [Café Light].

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

MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR

Next Mass: May 19, 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

BASILICA CHOIR

Please note: The Basilica Choir will be on a break for May and June 2024.

The Basilica Choir is celebrating 70 years!

For the full story please visit our website:

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%2022%202024.pdf>

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"What we fear of doing most is usually what we most need to do." - *Ralph Waldo Emerson*.

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CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Nevia Di Loreto, Michael De Vercelli (Jnr), Elsa Callegher, Francesco Musella, Frank Costa, Noreen Maher, Giuseppa Stefano, Alma Walsh, Patricia McPherson, Peter O'Toole, Maria Villanti **Month Mind:** Mary Wight

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

Ascension of the Lord - Year B - May 12, 2024 [MOTHER'S DAY]



Readings for next week:

Acts of the Apostles 1: 1 - 11; Ephesians 1: 17 - 23; Mark 16: 15 - 20



<u>TIMES</u>	<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Special Ministers</u>	<u>Welcomers</u>	<u>Main Collector</u>
6.00pm VIGIL	Margot Jarman	Natalia Barber	Gael Perry Vicki Zavaglia	Diane Read	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Annette Wilkinson	Barry Leith	Mike McGovern Nola Schwidlewski	Brenda MacGregor	Carlo Werzac
9.30am	Jennifer Guinane	Rhonda Sullivan	Keith Vriens Rhonda Sullivan Ann Salerno	Joanne McMahon	Mick Stokes
11.00am	Domenica Croce	Santina Taranto	Kirra Lina Sidoti Nina Tarsitano	Domenica Croce	Pamela Cowdery

**** PRINTED COPIES OF THE CURRENT ROSTERS (FOR MAY & JUNE) ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO PICK UP ****

<u>TIMES</u>	<u>6.00pm</u>	<u>7.30am</u>	<u>9.30am</u>	<u>11.00am</u>
AV-SOUND OPERATOR	Clevon Peris	Jack Munk	Marcia O'Brien	Georgia Cowdery



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