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MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES

10.00am 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

Not this week

NOVENA to ST. ANTHONY

Not this week

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Not this week

PIETY GIFT STALL

CLOSED Tuesday - Friday:

Basilica is closed this week

OPEN Sunday only:

10.15am -12.15pm.

Closed on Saturdays.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - November 5, 2023

Readings for this week:

Malachi 1:14-2:2. 8-10; 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9. 13; Matthew 23:1-12

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURES

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Since Vatican II the responsibilities of leadership have been spread throughout the community. This has not happened simply because there are fewer priests and religious. It has occurred primarily because the Council itself insisted that by virtue of their baptism all Christians are called to discipleship, which includes active participation in the mission of the church. While those who are ordained continue in specialised forms of leadership, other people have stepped forward to assume their newly recognised responsibilities. Sometimes they have more influence in the church than do the ordained.

We derive the connection between pharisaical and hypocritical from Jesus' description of the Pharisees found in today's reading. His condemnation, along with the condemnation of the priests in the first reading, should be a warning to all who in any way exercise leadership. We must always be on our guard lest the trappings of leadership ensnare us and we fail in our responsibilities toward God and the community we serve.

There is a mode of leadership that reflects the very meaning of authority. This way of leadership authors life. It is characterised by the striking image of a nursing mother who both gives and sustains life. Those who exercise leadership in this way create a community where life is fostered, not stifled, where talents serve all of the members, and the talents of all of the members are invited to serve. Such a community not only nurtures its members, it is itself the author of life in the world.



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VIQUEQUE SUNDAY - Today (Nov 5) is Viqueque Sunday, and we pray for and remember our sisters and brothers in the faith community of Mary Immaculate. Donations can be made using the envelopes provided in the Narthex, and can be placed in with the Collector at any Sunday Mass, or you can pop into the Parish Office to make your donation. Thank you.

BASILICA CLOSED (November 7 - 10 inclusive)
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday.

For continued maintenance and restoration work. We apologise for the inconvenience. Once again there will be no 10.00am Mass and the Piety Stall will be closed. The Basilica will be re-open on Saturday November 11, for the 10.00am Remembrance Day Mass, and will be open for the Sunday Masses as per usual weekend schedule.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ON TUES. NOVEMBER 7

REMEMBRANCE DAY MASS: Saturday November 11th @ 10.00am in the Basilica

ST MARY'S SCRIPTURE GROUP there will be no Scripture Group gathering this coming week as both the Basilica and Parish Office are closed on Tuesday Nov. 7th. Meetings resume next week on Tuesday November 14, after the 10am Mass (at around 10.45am). Apologies for the inconvenience.

CONFIRMATION - ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

Enrolments have opened and will be accepted until mid-January 2024. If you have a child who will be in Grade 6 in 2024, and you would like them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Anna in the Parish Office on 5222 1977.

Early warning: You will be required to present the certificates of your child's Baptism and First Eucharist at the time you place your enrolment, from which we will make a copy for our records.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL'S WORK PLAN

St Mary's Parish Pastoral Council is pleased to share with you its Work Plan 2023-27. The Work Plan is built from the ideas and suggestions that were raised by the parish community through the planning phase. This means we will aim to deliver work for parishioners, raised by parishioners.

You can read the Work Plan by visiting our website or asking for a hard-copy at the Parish Office during open hours. The Parish Pastoral Council will review the Work Plan every year with accountability to report on how the parish has delivered on actions. To read the Work Plan in full, visit our website using this link: <https://www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/parishplanning>

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

VISIT OF HIS EXCELLENCY MOST REV. PAUL GALLAGHER

On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between the Commonwealth of Australia and the Vatican, Archbishop Comensoli is pleased to welcome to Melbourne, His Excellency Most Rev Paul Gallagher (*Secretary for the Relations with States and International Organisations, Secretariat of State, Holy See*) and His Excellency Most Rev Charles Balvo (*Apostolic Nuncio to Australia*).

Archbishops Comensoli, Gallagher and Balvo, together with clergy of the Archdiocese, will celebrate Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica on Thursday November 9 at 5.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

NOVEMBER 12th - CAFÉ LIGHT & A MOVIE

The last opening & session for 2023.

Café Light and the Plaza Theatre will be open next weekend. The Café will be open from 10.30am - 12.30pm. Please pop in for a cuppa and treat.

All proceeds go to support Viqueque.

The Movie showing in the Plaza Theatre will be "Sliding Doors".

The start time for the movie is: 1.00pm.

All are welcome. We appreciate your support.

GEELONG CATHOLIC DINERS CLUB:

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

Date: Tuesday November 14 2023. Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: The Bistro, Belmont Hotel, cnr High St & Mt Pleasant Rd, Belmont.

Cost: Purchase of meals and drinks at your own cost.

If you wish to come to the dinner, please phone or text Joan 0429 215 111 or Michael 0431 959 584 by

Friday November 10. Thankyou

MEMORIAL BRICKS We invite 'expressions of interest'.

Please direct all enquiries/interest to Diane (Business Manager) at the Parish Office. Call: 5222 1977 or email:

dianer@stmarysgeelong.com.au Full details are on the

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PARISH PANTRY - DONATION REQUEST

Once again the Pantry is in need of egg cartons. If you have any empty cartons you can donate please bring them to the Parish Office during the week.

LIFEBOAT GEELONG FOUNDATION – CLIENT SUPPORT OFFICER POSITION (Part-time)

The "LIFEBOAT GEELONG FOUNDATION" has been established for ten years and provides practical and pastoral support for victims of church-related sexual abuse. We wish to employ a part-time "Client Support Officer" (12 hours per week) to provide personal support to individual clients in Geelong and regional Victoria – through both personal contact and by phone. The appointee will need to have an appreciation of the plight of those who have suffered sexual abuse from church personnel, and its many harmful, lifelong negative effects such as PTSD, compromised education and employment potential, self-esteem issues etc. Applicants should indicate any professional or experience-based qualifications, availability, and motivation for this particular work. Hourly-based remuneration, by agreement, in accord with Human Resources practice. Applications by email, with supporting information and referees: to cath@lifeboatgeelong.com.au by November 8th. Enquiries: 0439 199 400.



KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR RED FLAGS

Please know the Office Staff, Fr Jim, Fr Jude or anyone associated with St Mary's Parish will never email, call or message you asking for personal information like passwords, PINs, or Account details, and will not email or call you personally asking for donations.

If you receive a suspicious, or even seemingly legitimate call or message, please ignore it, and call us during Office hours (Mon - Fri, 8.30am - 5.00pm): 5222 1977. Speak to us in person. Especially do not open any links which come in emails or texts. If concerned please be sure to check details of the email address sent to you.

Anything sent from our email addresses will always end with ... @stmarysgeelong.com.au. Current contact details for our priests and staff are listed on the front of the Bulletin. Please make yourself familiar with the addresses.

VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR SUNDAY MASSES

Give something back to the Parish. Please contact us via email: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au or you can call the Parish Office during the week on 5222 1977. We look forward to hearing from you.

ST MARYS PARISH PANTRY - OPEN

Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong.
Pantry operating days and times are: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday between 1.00pm - 3.00pm.

MUSIC AT THE BASILICA

St Mary of the Angels, 136 Yarra St, Geelong

Sunday November 5, 2023, 3.00pm

Australian Chamber Choir **BUCKINGHAM PALACE**

Director - Douglas Lawrence

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CAMEO COMMUNITY OPERA presents 'Amahl & the Night Visitors' an Opera by Gain Carlo Minotti.

Saturday Dec. 2nd @ 3pm. St Luke's Uniting Church, Highton. Tickets available from: trybooking.com/CKFVI

ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

Next Mass: Sunday November 26 @ 11.00am.

MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR Next Mass: Sunday November 12 @ 11.00am. Practice for this Mass will be at 9.30am prior to the Mass, in the Pioneer Room. 150 Yarra St, Geelong. New members are welcome.

BASILICA CHOIR Next Mass: Sunday November 5 @ 9.30am. Practices for this choir are held on Thursday nights in the Sodalities Room (at the rear of the Basilica). Starting at 7.30pm. New members welcomed. Contact Jane at jbashiruddin@bigpond.com

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK "Courage isn't having the strength to go on, it is going on when you don't have the strength." – *Napoleon Bonaparte*

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RECENTLY DECEASED: Kevin Gleeson, Lachlan Maiden, John 'Jack' Steel



CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Bruce Fitzgerald, Mary McMahon, Patrick Doolan, Luigi Vannata, Ernest William Henderson, Michael Xavier Henderson, Henrietta Sporton, Vlado Lastavec, Mara Glaina, Mica Glavina, Marko Kristic, Mara Kristic, Ruza Raos, Salvatore Raimondo, Richard Brennan, Salvatore Casaceli, Giovanni Casaceli, Maria Casaceli, Carmine Pelluccio, Anna Pelluccio, Nino Cambria, Klara Van Slooten and in November we pray for all souls in purgatory.

MONTH MIND: Lorraine Matthews, Gasperino Ficca

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




Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - November 12, 2023

Readings for next week:

Wisdom 6: 12 - 16; 1 Thessalonians 4: 13 - 18; Matthew 25: 1 - 13

<i>TIMES</i>	<i>Commentator</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Special Ministers</i>	<i>Welcomers</i>	<i>Collector</i>
6.00pm VIGIL	Gael Perry	Brendan Sullivan	Margot Jarman Gael Perry	Diane Read	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Annette Wilkinson	Lesley Almond	Rosa Marino Mike McGovern	Carlo Werzac	...
9.30am	Maree Ryan	Blake Drever	Blake Drever Keith Vriens Ann Salerno	Joanne McMahon	Mick Stokes
11.00am	Domenica Croce	Rosemary Gador	Slavica Kulic Nina Tarsitano Maria Monea	Maria Monea	Michael or Klaus

<i>TIMES</i>	<i>6.00pm</i>	<i>7.30am</i>	<i>9.30am</i>	<i>11.00am</i>
AV-SOUND OPERATOR	Rebecca Hay	Keith Almond	Andrew DeAngelis	Georgia Cowdery

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You can also visit our regularly updated and very informative webpage: www.stmarysgeelong.com.au

On the webpage we include updates & current Parish information, Daily Reflections, Prayers, images, links and even something for the kids. **Everything you need to know about our faith community.**

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