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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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – October 26, 2025

Readings for this week:

Sirach 35: 12 - 14, 16 - 18; 2 Timothy 4: 6 - 8, 16-18; Luke 18: 9

Reflection - Leo's Lens

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Pope Leo insists upon our recognising 'the close connection between Christ's love and his summons to care for the poor.' The Pope reminds us that 'contact with those who are lowly and powerless is a fundamental way of encountering the Lord of history. In the poor, he continues to speak to us.'

Think about that for a moment: Here, now, our Lord is speaking. Where need is present, Christ is present.

The Lord of History is ever calling to us, summoning us to action.

'In hearing the cry of the poor,' the Pope says, 'we are asked to enter into the heart of God, who is always concerned for the needs of his children, especially those in greatest need.' We, therefore, should constantly seek to re-enter 'the heart of God' by listening to those who cry out for justice.

It is 'Christ himself', the Pope reminds us, who suffers with the materially poor, the 'socially marginalised', and the culturally impoverished. To ignore the poor is to ignore Christ.

We must learn to see beyond any ideology or prejudice that justifies inaction or indifference – even those cloaked under the cover of pious affirmations. As the Pope declares emphatically, this is not optional for Christians because charity is 'the burning heart of the Church's mission.'

[Quotes from Apostolic Exhortation *Dilexi Te*, 4 October 2025:

[https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-](https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/apost_exhortations/documents/20251004-dilexi-te.html)

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PIETY GIFT STALL

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

Lord, we pray for all Year 12 students, as they sit for their exams.

Grant them calm hearts and clear minds.

When they feel anxious or uncertain, remind them of Your steadfast love, and guide them gently to their knowledge. Bless their families, teachers, and friends who support them with love and patience. Amen.



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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.

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, for Baptisms & Weddings, occasional weekend MAB concerts and for our regular Saturday Vigil & Sunday morning Masses.

See the front page for Mass time details.

****NOTICE** The Basilica Toilets are not for public use and will only be opened up during Mass times for use by those attending Mass.**

Please respect the Occupational Health and Safety Regulations and comply with the “UNSAFE AREA” or “DO NOT ENTER” signage on the inside and outside of the Basilica. Thank you

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2 – ALL SOULS DAY

We invite you to submit names, as in previous years, by popping in, calling or emailing the Parish Office. There will also be opportunity at all those weekend Masses for you to submit extra names (ie. *a table in the Narthex, pens and paper*).

These names will be placed in a special basket.

At each Mass, a procession from the back will bring the names to the Altar as an offering for prayer during the Mass. The names will be blessed during the Mass and all souls remembered in our prayers and celebration of the Eucharistic Mass.

HOLY FATHER POPE LEO'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION – OCTOBER 2025.

Collaboration Between Different Religions.

Together we pray that believers in different religious traditions may work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

Click on the link below to view video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9JNhQzzisOQ>

MASS ON THE RADIO Broadcast brought to you by **St Mary's Parish, Geelong** @ 10.00am Sunday on **PULSE FM 94.7**. You can also listen to the current, and past Sunday Masses, by clicking on this link:
<https://947thepulse.com/shows/sunday-at-saint-marys/>

EUTHANASIA & ASSISTED SUICIDE

The Bishops of Victoria have written a Pastoral letter to the Catholics of Victoria asking you to contact your local members of parliament and urge them to vote against these new laws.

Read this letter as PDF online using the link, or grab a copy from the news stand in the Narthex:

<https://d2uvk4nnl9ckw6.cloudfront.net/general/Pastoral-Letter-2025-Euthanasia-Assisted-Suicide.pdf> or you can visit the website for more detailed information.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/euthanasia-bill>

The state government is looking to amend current laws weakening protection for those who conscientiously object.

FAITH AND LIGHT FRIENDS:

Geelong Community. Christian sharing for those with disability their families and friends.

You are invited to the next Gathering on Tuesday October 28th at St Mary's Hibernian Hall (Café Light) @ 150 Yarra Street.

Come from 2.00pm to 4.30pm for sharing friendship, faith, music and birthdays/afternoon tea. RSVP/ Enquiries to Tricia O'Keeffe (Coordinator) 0414 672 267 by October 27th. Thank you.

THE PEACE CAMINO WALK – QUEENSCLIFF

WHEN? Sunday November 9th, 12pm (noon).

WHERE? Meet at Holy Trinity Church, 34 Stevens Street, Queenscliff.

Board a bus to Mannerim Memorial Indigenous Gardens to begin a 10km pilgrimage back to Holy Trinity Church, concluding with a reflection and refreshments.

WHO? For all people of faith and hope.

WHY? To give witness to the Year of Jubilee and prayerfully walk for peace and hope.

Registration closes on Monday October 27th.

Use this link provided to register:

<https://peacecamino.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au>

PIANIST WANTED - Belmont Rhythmic Singers who sing to aged and nursing care around Geelong. Must be able to sight-read old songs. If you require more details, please call Les Pomeroy 0414 442 471

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St Mary's School Parents and Friends' Association

MANGO FUNDRAISER 2025! **LAST CHANCE**

Orders must close Tuesday October 28th - 7pm.

[Order your tray via this Trybooking link]

[https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1484](https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1484123)

123 Trays are \$29 each. Each purchased raises \$5 for the School. Trays can be collected around the first week of December at St Mary's School. The exact date and location details will be emailed to you closer to the time. If you have any questions, please contact Sherryn on 0409 420 614, or email: pfa@smgeelong.catholic.edu.au.

CIRCLE OF MERCY Zoom Gathering only **Tuesday October 28th from 6.30pm – 8.00pm.**

The guest speaker is Sr Cathy Solano - a sister of Mercy from Melbourne, who promotes the theology of Interculturality. Through stories and scriptural investigation, she inspires us to live lives emboldened by love and compassion.

Register/Book via the Trybooking link provided.

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1452300>

Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

Practices for Term 4 @ 3.30pm on Fridays are held in the Hibernian Hall. New members welcome.

Next Mass: October 26th @ 11am

MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR Come Join Us!!

Next Mass: November 16th @ 11am. Practice is held at 9.30am on the Sunday of the scheduled Mass, prior to the Mass. If you are interested to join the choir, please call 5222 1977 or email Rebecca: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au

BASILICA CHOIR: New members welcome.

Next Mass: October 26th @ 9.30am

For more information or details please email: jbashiruddin@bigpond.com

St Mary's Parish - 1% CLUB QUESTION

The answer to last week's question is: 52 playing cards sorted into alphabetical order: the last card placed down would be the **Two of Spades**

New 1% CLUB QUESTION

What is the solution to this problem? If ... $1 + 2 = 6$ and ... $3 + 4 = 9$ and ... $5 + 6 = 7$ then $7 + 8 = ?$

ST MARY'S PARISH PANTRY

Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong

Pantry operating days and times are:
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 1pm – 3pm

MUSIC AT THE BASILICA

136 Yarra Street, Geelong presents

Handel's monumental "Messiah".

Date: Sun Dec. 7th, 2025: 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

The combined voices of Windfire Choir and the Geelong Chorale, with soloists and orchestra conducted by Joseph Hie.

Lee Abrahmsen – soprano, Austin Haynes - counter tenor, Robert Macfarlane – tenor, Manfred Pohlenz - bass

Tickets: \$60/\$55/\$50

Children and school students free.

Tickets are available from Trybooking:

www.trybooking.com/DCLAM

🎵 **Calling All Singers!** 🎵

Do you enjoy singing? We're looking for voices to join our **Basilica Choir** as we prepare to make this year's **Christmas Mass** truly special. No previous experience is needed - just a love of music and a willing heart! If you'd like to give it a try, simply come and say *hello* and join us on a **Sunday morning at the 9.30 am Mass**. Sing the hymns and see how joyful it can be to be part of our choir family. All are warmly welcome! **Phone or text Jane on 0447 238 432 if you would like to know more.**

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

You can't make a dull cloudy day into a bright sunny day, but you can embrace the day and decide what to make of it. - *Anonymous*

A THOUGHT FOR YOUR DAY

If the right side of the brain controls the left side of the body, then "lefties" are the only ones in their right mind.

JOKE FOR THE DAY

What do you call a factory that sells passable products? A satisfactory.



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AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Gary Featherston, Margo Clarke, John Santospirito

CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Domenico Stramandinoli, Catherine Deans, John Buckle, Lauris DeVercelli, Dominic "Mick" Villanti, Anthony Giuffre, Jim Mathieson, Veronica Hardiman, Jan Romaniuk, Pat O'Callaghan, Paolo Monterosso, Gloria Collado, James O'Shannessy

Month Mind: Theresie Ntabmwe, Br Benoit Hategekimana

THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL: Regina Hanna, Mandy Newbold

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.



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.

ST. JOHN OF GOD HOSPITAL CHAPEL MASS: Every Thursday at 11.30am



RADIO MASS BROADCAST: SUNDAY 10am on The Pulse FM 94.7



ALL SOULS DAY - Year C – November 2, 2025

Readings for next week: [using All Souls Day Liturgy for the day]

Isaiah 25: 6 - 9; Romans 14: 7 - 12; Luke 7: 11 - 17



Children's Liturgy	October 26	November 2	November 9	November 16
11.00am MASS	xxx No CLOW Junior Choir	Slavica Nina	Maria Lina	Domenica Liz

TIMES	Commentator	Reader	Special Ministers	Welcomers	Main Collector
6.00pm VIGIL	Gael	Brendan	Margot Vicki	Diane	Vince
7.30am	Barry	Nola	Nola Annette	Monica	Lachlan
9.30am	Geoff	Marita	Clare Ann Erminia	Anna	Geoff
11.00am	Alec	Slavica ??	Liz Linda Pamela	Liz	Klaus
AV	OPERATOR	6.00pm VIGIL	7.30am	9.30am	11.00am
		Rebecca	Jack	Dominic	Rebecca



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

'Follow' the page and like our updates & articles. A great way to keep in touch.



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