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## MASS TIMES

### WEEKDAY MASS

10.00am Tuesday – Thursday & Saturday only

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

## Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – September 21, 2025

### Readings for this week:

**Amos 8: 4 - 7; 1 Timothy 2: 1 - 8; Luke 16: 1 - 13**

### Reflection - Leo's Lens

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'Jesus satisfies the hunger of the crowd', Pope Leo says. When we look to Jesus, we see how 'he does what God does, and he teaches us to do the same.' At no point in the Gospels do we see Jesus hoarding money for himself or explaining that the poor deserve to be poor.

'Today,' the Pope reflects, 'entire peoples are suffering.' Their pain, he adds gravely, is too often 'a result of the greed of others.'

'In stark contrast to the dire poverty of many,' he adds, there is 'the amassing of wealth by a few.' This unholy disparity, he explains, 'is the sign of an arrogant indifference.' It directly 'produces pain and injustice.' The pope reminds us that 'the Lord's example is a yardstick that should guide our actions and our service: we are called to share our bread.'

Indeed, by sharing our resources justly we work 'to multiply hope and to proclaim the coming of God's Kingdom.'

As the Pope notes, 'Jesus' compassion for the suffering shows us the loving closeness of God, who comes into our world to save us.'

Through compassionate action for those in distress and by working for justice in our world we can truly become God's servants.

*(Homily of Pope Leo XIV, 22 June 2025, Body and Blood of Christ)*

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In 2017 he was awarded the Bruce Mansfield Prize for the best article in the Journal of Religious History. He is currently studying Theology.



### PIETY GIFT STALL

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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 THIS WEEK ARE:**

Monday 10.00am – 5.00pm;

Tuesday - Thursday 9.00am – 5.00pm.

It will be open on the weekend for Saturday 10.00am Mass, followed by Reconciliation, Baptisms & Weddings, occasional weekend MAB concerts and for our regular Saturday Vigil & Sunday morning Masses.

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

**IMPORTANT CLOSURE DETAILS:** The Parish Office, Basilica, Piety Stall and Parish Pantry will be closed on Friday September 26<sup>th</sup> - the scheduled Victorian AFL public holiday.



### **RCIA 2025-26: We invite you to ENROL NOW !!**

Are you, a family member or friend considering becoming Catholic? Then the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the pathway. St Mary's Parish RCIA for 2025-26 begins next month. Please email our RCIA Coordinator, Kevin Mark, via email [kevinm@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:kevinm@stmarysgeelong.com.au) to enrol or to enquire, or visit our website at: [www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/rcia](http://www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/rcia).  
**We'd love to have you join us for the journey!**

### **September 21<sup>st</sup> - SOCIAL SERVICES SUNDAY**

On Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne marks Social Services Sunday – a day to give thanks for the dedicated work of the thousands of staff and volunteers who stand with and serve the poor, disadvantaged and marginalised, and to reflect on how we might partner with Catholic agencies to be more involved in Gospel-inspired works of charity and justice in our own communities. This is also a time to reflect on how we, as Pilgrims of Hope, can partner with Catholic agencies and others to be more involved in Gospel-inspired works of charity and justice in our own communities.



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You are all invited to attend **FR JUDE'S PARISH FAREWELL September 28<sup>th</sup> at 12noon** in the Hibernian Hall or Pioneer Room, St Mary's Parish Centre – 150 Yarra St. Geelong.  
**For those unable to attend, there is a "card" available in the Narthex at our Sunday Masses, which you may sign with your special farewell message.**

Thank you to all who have donated to the 'gift' for Fr Jude, and who have offered to bring along a plate to share with all who attend.

### **FAITH AND LIGHT GEELONG GROUP**

Is a Christian community for those with disability and their families.

You are invited to next meeting: "Spring & Hope". Date: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September  
Venue: St Mary's Parish, Hibernian Hall. 150 Yarra Street. Come from 2.00pm to 4.30pm to share in friendship, faith, music and afternoon tea. Please RSVP to Tricia O'Keeffe 0414 672 267 by Monday September 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **ANNUAL PET BLESSING**

Let's celebrate and close out the Season of Creation with a special blessing for our earthly companions and the joy & companionship they bring us all.

**Where?** Lumen Christi Catholic Church Leopold. 72-78 Kensington Road, Leopold

**When?** 11.00am - Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup>.

Pets and their owners are welcome.

You are invited to stay after the ceremony for a cuppa and refreshments.

### **THE PEACE CAMINO QUEENSCLIFF**

**WHEN?** Sunday November 9<sup>th</sup>, 12pm.

**WHERE?** Meet at Holy Trinity Church, Queenscliff. Bus to Mannerim Memorial Indigenous Gardens to begin a 10km pilgrimage to Holy Trinity Church concluding with a reflection and refreshments at Holy Trinity Church. **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 via the webpage is now open and closes on October 27<sup>th</sup>.

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







Each month, Catholic Mission will be sharing the **Holy Father's (Pope Leo) Monthly Prayer Intention**, accompanied by a visual reflection. This is an invitation to a 'moment of stillness' - a pause for prayer. Use this link to access and view the September Youtube Video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xVewnWW1TAc>

**This is not a call to action, nor a request for donations.**

**St Mary's Parish, Geelong RADIO MASS Broadcast** @ 10.00am Sunday brought to you by on PULSE FM 94.7. If you miss the 10.00am Sunday Mass broadcast, you can listen to the current, and past Sunday Masses, from St Mary's Basilica by clicking on this link:

<https://947thepulse.com/shows/sunday-at-saint-marys/> These audio recordings can be accessed at any time of the day. They are not a podcast and therefore cannot be downloaded. You will require the internet to connect and listen.

**RADIO MASS EDITORS REQUIRED** – can you help us keep the Mass available for broadcast? Some PC skills and knowledge of the Catholic Mass. All other training is provided.

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

The answer to last week's question is: 5

Each digit can be 'held down' to hold up 4 digits.

#### New 1% CLUB QUESTION ...

Maddie's Fitbit starts at zero at the bottom of the staircase. She climbs 35 stairs, but her Fitbit accidentally slips off her wrist, and falls to the very bottom, so she has to race down to get it. When Maddie gets to the top of the stairs, her Fitbit says she has climbed 100 steps. How many steps high is the staircase?

#### ST MARY'S PARISH PANTRY

Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong

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"

(please note: no apostrophe between y and s)

#### MUSIC AT THE BASILICA

*16th Annual Windfire Music Festival*

Friday October 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sunday October 12<sup>th</sup>

Download a copy of the 2025 Windfire Festival Program using this link:

<https://musicatthebasilica.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/2025-Festival-Booklet.pdf>

Opening concert: **FRIDAY OCTOBER 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7.30pm**  
**THE SADDEST SOUND, THE SWEETEST SOUND**

will showcase the Vox Angelica Geelong Chamber Choir. Directed by Tom Healey.

Tickets \$35/\$30 at the door or from

[www.trybooking.com/CXQMB](http://www.trybooking.com/CXQMB)

Children & Students free.

#### QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

Patience is passion tamed. It is the ability to idle your motor when you feel like stripping the gears.

- Barbara Johnson

#### JOKE FOR THE DAY



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## AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Peter Chandley, Pat Hennessy, Dr John Curtin



**CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Amanda Grgetic, Ernesto Furnari, Sam & Francesco Furnari, Kath Gunn, Simone Rodgers, Rosaria 'Rose' Muscat, John Patrick Murnane, Geraldo Avellino, Margaret Saxon, Francis Hogan, Terrence Slaven, Lorraine Matthews, Francesca Maniaci, Jack Santospirito, Eileen Roberts, Lorna Fic, Jean Giuffre, Kazimiera Timanowicz, Andrew Mackinlay **Month Mind:** Maria Polimeni

**THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL:** all who are suffering sadness, anxiety and depression

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.

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[For children in Grade 2 – Grade 6]

Scan this QR code to access the **REGISTRATION FORM**.

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 details change.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held at 11am Sunday Mass during the School Term, but not during holidays.

Children will be invited to join the session at the start of the 11am Mass before the formal Liturgy of the Word, returning to join their family & attend the remainder of Mass, after the Prayers of the Faithful.



## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – September 28, 2025

**Readings for next week:**

**Amos 6: 1. 4 - 7; 1 Timothy 6: 11 - 16; Luke 16: 19 - 31**



### Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

#### ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

No practices during the school holidays. Resumes: Friday October 17<sup>th</sup>

New members are welcome. **Next Mass: October 26<sup>th</sup> @ 11am**

**MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR** Come Join Us!! **Next Mass: September 21<sup>st</sup> @ 11am.** Practices are 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](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au)

**BASILICA CHOIR:** New members are welcome. **Next Mass: September 21<sup>st</sup> @ 9.30am**

For more information or details please email: [jbashiruddin@bigpond.com](mailto:jbashiruddin@bigpond.com)



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