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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

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



Daylight Savings begins **next weekend** on Sunday Oct. 5th.
Set your clocks one hour
ahead @ 2.00am

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

Readings for this week:

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

A special message of farewell from Fr Jude

This past month has truly been a rollercoaster of emotions. Returning from Italy after the Jubilee of Youth, I felt renewed in joy and deeply grateful for the gift of priesthood. Then came the news of my new appointment - bringing excitement and gratitude, but also the sadness of preparing to leave this wonderful parish family. And now, here I am in my final week at St Mary of the Angels, Geelong.

I wish to thank each one of you - parishioners and visitors alike. To those who faithfully attend daily Mass and to our Sunday Mass community, you have been a constant source of strength and joy. Celebrating the Eucharist with you has given me deep encouragement in my priesthood. To all our volunteers who serve with such generosity - thank you. I also want to acknowledge those I have worked with beyond the church walls: the principals, staff, and students of our four primary schools, Sacred Heart College, and St Joseph's College.

Your friendship and witness of faith have been a true inspiration. To the Pastoral Care Teams at St John of God and University Hospital, the nursing home staff and residents, and our local funeral directors - Kings, Tuckers, Hepners, and Crawfords - thank you for letting me walk with you through sacred moments of both joy and sorrow.

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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.

*A special message of farewell from Fr Jude
(continued)*

My gratitude also extends to the Parish Pastoral Council, the Alpha Group, and my brother priests of the Geelong Deanery.

A very special thanks to our parish staff - **Diane, Anna, Anne-Maree, Joanne, Rebecca, Sam, Viv, Kevin, Andrew, Glenn, and Gavin.** From my first day, you welcomed me with warmth, and you have been the heartbeat of this parish.

And of course, I want to especially thank **Fr Jim, our beloved Parish Priest.** Thank you for your pastoral wisdom, your vision, your honesty, and your generosity in sharing your experience.

I have learned so much from you.

Please know you'll still be on my speed dial whenever I need advice or encouragement.

In my two years here, I have been blessed to celebrate Mass, hear confessions, anoint the sick, preach the Gospel, and share in baptisms, weddings, and funerals. Each of you has shaped me as a priest, and for that I am forever grateful. Truly, I thank God for the gift of the priesthood and for allowing me to minister among you.

As I move to my new parish, St Leo the Great, in Altona North, please know you are most welcome to visit, anytime.

Once again, from the bottom of my heart, thank you for everything. May God bless you always.

- Fr Jude Johnson -



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 to enrol or to enquire, or visit our website at:

www.stmarysgeelong.com.au/rcia.

We'd love to have you join us for the journey!

ANNUAL PET BLESSING - LEOPOLD

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 4th. Pets and their owners are welcome.

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 30th 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 29th.**

THE PEACE CAMINO QUEENSCLIFF

WHEN? Sunday November 9th, 12pm.

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 via the webpage is now open and closes on October 27th. Use this link to access.

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

For further information you can contact a member of the Holy Trinity Queenscliff Planning Team via the email address provided here:

queenscliffpeacecamino@gmail.com.

GEELONG CATHOLIC DINERS CLUB

You are warmly invited to join us for a social get-together for food and friends for our dinner for October. **Date:** Tuesday October 14th, 2025.

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 October 10th.

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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>

BULLETIN LAYOUT CHANGES

The Bulletin has undergone a review, and you will note some changes in the layout and what is to be regularly included. The "week ahead" roster will no longer be printed on the back, and therefore not online. Volunteers will please refer to the "2 month" roster regularly emailed out. Printed copies of the current roster will be available only from in the Sacristy, if required.

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? All other training will be provided. Please contact the Parish Office during the week on 5222 1977. Leave your contact details for Rebecca to follow up. Or email : rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au

St Mary's Parish - 1% CLUB QUESTION

The answer to last week's question is: 65 steps
The steps on the way back down were not counted as the Fitbit dropped to the bottom of the stairs.

New 1% CLUB QUESTION If my old brown woolly jumper contains two holes for every o in this sentence, how many holes are there?



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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"

(please note: no apostrophe between y and s)

MUSIC AT THE BASILICA

16th Annual Windfire Music Festival

Friday October 3rd - Sunday October 12th

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 3rd - 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

Children & Students free.

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"Remember when you leave this earth you can take nothing that you have received – only what you have given: a full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage."

– St Francis of Assisi

JOKE FOR THE DAY A gentleman visits the doctor for a health checkup and receives the comment, "Wow, it looks like you get a fair bit of exercise."

His reply, "Yes, I do. In fact, just the other day I walked 2 ½ kilometres over rough terrain, often climbing over rocks and through the trees. I also waded along the edges of a lake, pushing my way through tall thistles and weeds, and slid down sandy slopes."

The doctor was quite impressed. "Well, you certainly are a dedicated outdoors enthusiast."
"Not really. I am just really bad at golf."



AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Noreen Dooley, Ivan Viduka, Mavis Ryan



CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Fr Michael John Morgan, Zoltan P Farago, Noreen Newton, Greg Andrews, Halina Blaszczyk, Eileen Martini, Antonia Plowman, Isobel McBride, Gasperino 'Tony' Ficca, Maria Dynowski, Frano Skratulja, Nina Chillari, Lucia Monea, Giuseppe Milone, Lorna Diamond, Johann Dahm, Allan W Barber **Month Mind:** Charles Gearney

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



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Children's Liturgy of The Word

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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.



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – October 5, 2025

Readings for next week:

Habakkuk 1: 2 - 3; 2: 2 - 4; 2 Timothy 1: 6 - 8, 13-14; Luke 17: 5 - 10



Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

No practices during the school holidays. Resumes: Friday October 17th

New members are welcome. **Next Mass: October 26th @ 11am**

MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR Come Join Us!! **Next Mass: October 19th @ 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 Junior Choir or the Mixtures, please call 5222 1977 or email Rebecca: rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au

BASILICA CHOIR: New members welcome. **Next Mass: September 28th @ 9.30am**

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



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

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