

St. Mary of the Angels Geelong

Monday 8th June 2026

Saturday 13th June 2026



Daily Reflections

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MONDAY 8TH JUNE 2026

10th Week in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 17: 1-6, Psalm 120: 1-8. R cf. v. 2, Matthew 5: 1-12

Reflections: Our help is from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Have you ever been through a difficult or unpleasant experience, only to look back on it and see it as a 'blessing' in disguise? This is the theme of Jesus' words today. He lists experiences that we and the world may shun, but he describes them as 'blessed': poverty in spirit, mourning and grief, meekness, longing for righteousness, persecution. Jesus transforms these experiences into something beautiful, blessings that lead us to God. By doing so, he shows us that, in fact, all of life is blessing, even those experiences and realities we may never ask for. Today, let's be particularly mindful of the moments of difficulty, no matter how small. How can we transform them into blessings?



TUESDAY 9TH JUNE 2026

10th Week in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 17: 7-16, Psalm 4: 2-5, 7-8. R. v. 7, Matthew 5: 13-16

Reflection:

Lord, let your face shine on us.

When my husband and I married, we chose this Gospel as the reading during our Nuptial Mass. The simple images of light and salt, and the depth of the message, spoke to both of us. Salt is often hidden in food, and though it is invisible, it enhances the flavour of the dish. Light is used to shine in – and enhance – a previously dark space. Both images apply to our Christian life and relationships. There will be times when we are called to lead and guide, and times we are called to serve quietly, selflessly, and for good. Today, let's consider where God has Called us in life. Am I using my energies of light and salt well – for the good of others, and for the glory of God.



WEDNESDAY 10TH JUNE 2026

10th Week in Ordinary Time

***1 Kings 18: 20-39, Psalm 15: 1-2, 4-5, 8, 11, R. v. 1,
Matthew 5: 17-19***

Reflection: Keep me safe O Lord, you are my hope.

When I was in primary school. I had a wonderful teacher who helped me during some difficult periods. It wasn't just that she was there for me when I needed her, but she also encouraged me to keep striving to be my best and to take the opportunities that came my way – just as God calls me to do. Today, Jesus talks about the importance of taking his commandments into our hearts and sharing them with others. Who are the people in your life you have helped you to understand God better, who have encouraged you to be your best and take opportunities? Give thanks for them today and pray that God may strengthen you to be such a person for others.

**But whoever practices
and teaches these
commands will be called
great in the kingdom of
heaven.”**

Matthew 5:17-19 HCSB

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THURSDAY 11th JUNE 2026

10th Week in Ordinary Time

St Barnabas

Acts 11:21-26, 13: 1-3, Psalm 97: 1-6, R.v.2, Matthew 10: 7-13

Reflection: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Anyone who's travelled on a significant journey will know the planning – and possible stress – of packing. When we're preparing for a trip, we want to know we will have everything we need for the journey, and even a little extra just in case. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his followers to travel lightly – to go even without money, shoes, or a staff. He calls on them – and us- to focus on the task at hand which is proclaiming the good news. When we do this, when we make our relationship with God our priority, those things that may once have made us anxious become far less important. What am I worrying about today? Are my worries preventing me from 'travelling lightly' in my journey with God.



FRIDAY 12th JUNE 2026

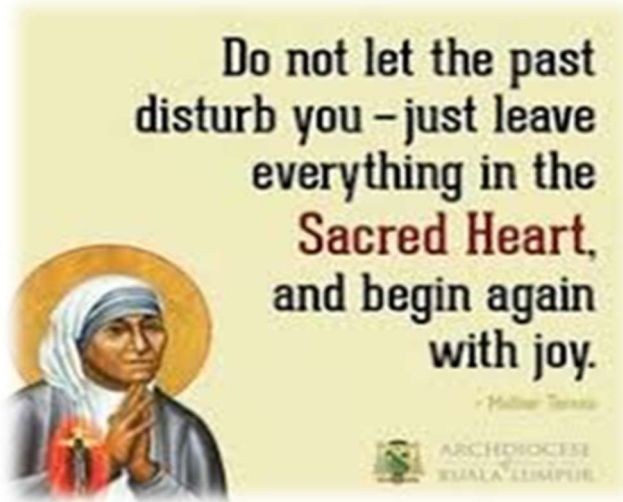
10th Week in Ordinary Time

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

*Deuteronomy 7: 6-11, Psalm 102:1-4, 6-8. 10. R. v. 17,
I John 4: 7-16, Matthew 11: 25-30.*

Reflection: The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those

The Scripture reading is a popular one in difficult times. Jesus gently invites us to come and rest in him. The last lines of this Gospel are an incredible consolation. We have all no doubt, experienced the weight of pain, hopelessness, loss, anguish, shame, guilt, and more besides. There is no weigh too heavy for Jesus. All we need to do is go to him and name our needs and our struggles, and we will find rest in the One who is gentle and humble in heart. What are the burdens – big and small – that I carry right now? Can I name them? Can I take them to Jesus in confidence.



SATURDAY 13th JUNE 2026

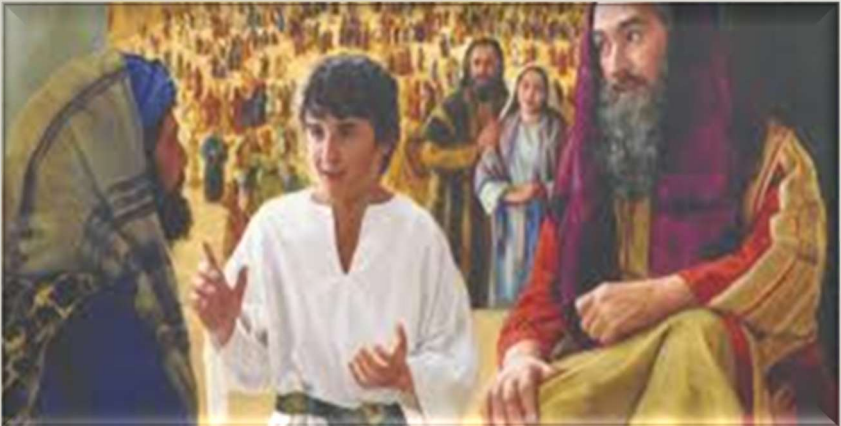
10th Week in Ordinary Time

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Isaiah 61: 9-11, Psalm: 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-8. R. cf. v 1, Luke 2:41-51.

Reflection: My heart rejoices in the Lord my saviour.

Parents may say there is anxiety like no other when your child gets lost – and a relief like no other when they are found. In today's narrative Mary and Joseph look for Jesus for three agonising days., before finding him in the temple speaking with the teachers. Imagine those anxious. Frenetic days of searching before the relief – and confusion- at finding Jesus surrounded by learned men, having discussions with them. While Jesus' parents did not understand everything that was happening or when Jesus was saying, Mary treasured the experience in her heart as a sign of God's presence. What memories do you hold in your heart today, and how do you experience God's presence.



11th Sunday in Ordinary time

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TO HEAL. TO UNITE. TO JUSTICE.
SERVICES BUT WE HAVE TO REMOVE ECONOMIC
TO BE AS HEALTHY AS POSSIBLE WITHOUT