



# ST MARY OF THE ANGELS - GEELONG

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## MASS TIMES

### WEEKDAY MASS

10.00am Tuesday & Wednesday

10am Friday & 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 Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

10.30am – 1.00pm

CLOSED ON THURSDAY & SATURDAY

OPEN Sunday 10.15am – 12.15pm

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## Feast of Christ the King - Year C – November 23, 2025

### Readings for this week:

**2 Samuel 5: 1 - 3; Colossians 1: 12 - 20; Luke 23: 35 - 43**

### THE PARISH PANTRY 2025 – A message from Gary McIlvena (founder/volunteer)

The Pantry has just completed its 12<sup>th</sup> year in operation; currently in its 13<sup>th</sup> year!

This has been achievable due to the input of many caring and devoted people who have identified the assistance that is needed by so many in our community. The Bisinella Family have been wonderful with their financial support over many years. Without this support, things would be tough.

A group of 7 volunteers arrive at the pantry at 8am, three mornings per week organising stock, preparing the tables and re-stocking the shelves and many other works that need to be completed in preparation for opening times. This effort is followed by 23 volunteers who come in as rostered, once a fortnight, to open the Pantry; welcome, record clients and serve them the items which are available. This is very rewarding work.

With continued help from Fr Jim Clarke, along with the Parish Office Staff, donations from generous parishioners of St Mary's Parish, and the valued support and help from Foodbank Victoria, FareShare Geelong, Feed Me Bellarine, Share the Dignity, the Pantry can continue to offer incredible support to those in need, now & well into the future.

Our clients can receive: 2 Shopping Bags: 1 containing Fruit and Vegetables, the other - 10 Items from our shelves including household goods (i.e. toilet paper, personal hygiene items, cleaners) along with refrigerated/ frozen goods.

Requirements our clients need to have when coming to the Pantry are:

1. A Centrelink Card which enables them to come in once a fortnight.
2. A referral (with documentation by other professional groups/ charities).
3. A respectful attitude to volunteers and fellow clients.

**To date the total number of distributed bags for 2025 is more than 4,600!**

**\*\* ALL MONETARY/FINANCIAL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE \*\***

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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.

**\*\* VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE \*\***

**THE BASILICA & PIETY STALL WILL BE CLOSED  
ALL DAY ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 27<sup>th</sup>**

**BASILICA OPEN TIMES THIS WEEK ARE:**

Monday 10.00am – 5.00pm;

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm.

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

**\*\*NOTICE\*\*** The **PIETY GIFT STALL** now has a wide range and variety of Christmas Cards, Gifts and Nativity Scenes in stock. Please pop in to browse the selection and purchase that 'special gift' for your family or friends this Christmas.

**ADVENT BOOKLET 2025: 'The Promise'**

The new Advent and Christmas booklet from the Diocese of Wollongong, with the theme "The Promise" is now available, but there is **only a small number of them left**.

Illustrated with full-colour religious artwork, it provides daily Scripture references and reflections for each day of the seasons of Advent and Christmas through to the Baptism of the Lord on January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026. **Available only from the Piety Stall for \$6.00 per copy.**

**GOD'S WORD 2026: Daily Reflections Liturgical Diary** especially produced for Australia, is an attractive colour publication containing the Bible readings set down for each day of the liturgical year along with reflections by eminent spiritual writers. Designed to help you keep the Word of God close to your heart in daily life, to be source for prayer and to prepare for Mass. **Now available from the Parish Office and Piety Stall.**

This year the book is only **\$22.00** per copy.

This weekend we give thanks for and celebrate together with our Volunteers at a luncheon. Thank you to each and every one of you for your dedicated service and contribution to this Parish.

Our faith community would not grow and thrive without you. God's blessings xx



**11am MASS – Sunday November 30<sup>th</sup>.**

At this Mass we welcome & celebrate with Fr Kevin Hennessy in recognition of his incredible achievement of 50 years ordained as a priest. *Congratulations Fr Kevin.*



**FRIENDS OF FAITH AND LIGHT** - Geelong Christian Community for people with disability, family & friends. You are invited to the next Gathering. Tuesday November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at St Mary's Hibernian Hall (Café Light), 150 Yarra Street. Geelong. The theme is: Advent. Come from 2pm to 4.30pm for sharing Faith, Prayer, Friendship, and Birthday afternoon tea. RSVP & enquiries to Tricia O'Keeffe Coordinator. RSVP by Monday November 24<sup>th</sup> on 0414 672 267. Thank you.

[www.faithandlight.org](http://www.faithandlight.org)

**YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND - The Christian heritage of science.** Dr John Long from Deakin University will talk about how Christianity influenced scientific revolution based on the work of Rev. Fr. Stanley Jaki OSB. 📅 **Sunday, 30 November, ⌚ 12.15 pm** starting with a light lunch. 📍 **Xavier Centre**, 143 Bacchus Marsh Road, Corio. To indicate attendance or for more information please contact Corio Parish Office on 03 4212 0791.

**A JOURNEY OF HOPE: VATICAN II AND THE PATH OF SYNODALITY - AN AFTERNOON OF FAITH, FELLOWSHIP, AND REFLECTION**

You are all warmly invited to an inspiring afternoon with Rev. Dr Max Vodola, who will explore the lasting significance of Vatican II and its influence on the Church's journey of synodality, linked with the Jubilee Year of Hope 2025. 📅 **Sunday, 7 December 2025 ⌚**

**3:00pm 📍 Our Lady Star of the Sea Church**  
68 John Dory Drive, Ocean Grove VIC 3226

**CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND NATIVITY**

**ENACTMENT** A warm invitation is extended to you all. 📅 **Sunday December 7<sup>th</sup> ⌚**

**6.30pm. 📍 St Thomas Aquinas Church,**  
Plume St, Norlane. All welcome. Followed by a social supper. Please bring a plate to share.

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### PARISH PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Pantry is looking for more volunteers. If this is you, we invite you to please call the Parish Office on 5222 1977 with your details.

You will require a current WWCC and some computer knowledge would be very helpful. The role would require a once per fortnight commitment, or if you cannot do this, would you be able to go on a "supplementary" emergency list? – where you would be called up on a day, if someone rostered cannot make it in. Thank you.

### SPAM EMAILS ARE IN CIRCULATION lately from

**Fr Jim (or James) Clarke.** Please check the email address of the one you received against the one on the front of this Bulletin. If it is different, it indicates it is a spam email. **Do not respond!**

Please know that Fr Jim will never ask for donations or personal details via an email. If you have any doubts as to the authenticity of emails you have received, please call the Parish Office. 5222 1977

### MASS ON THE RADIO

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

### Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

#### ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

Practices are on Fridays @ 3.30pm and are held in the Hibernian Hall. **Next Mass: Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 11am**

#### MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR Come Join Us!!

**Next Mass: December 14<sup>th</sup> @ 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](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au)

**BASILICA CHOIR:** New members welcome.

**Next Mass: November 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 9.30am**

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

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

**The answer to last week's question is:** Racket

**New 1% CLUB QUESTION** What is the lowest number to have the same value as 10 times the value of the number of letters in its name?

### 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. 7<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://www.trybooking.com/DCLAM)

**SECTION 1 IS ALREADY SOLD OUT !!**

If you would like to join the **JUNIOR CHOIR** or **MIXTURES CHOIR** for Christmas Masses? Please email Rebecca: [rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au) Or call the Parish Office and leave your details.

Practice times to follow soon.

### 🎵 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 in 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 information.**

### QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

Some people want it to happen, some people wish it would happen, others just make it happen.  
– Michael Jordan

### JOKE FOR THE DAY

Yesterday I adopted a dog from the blacksmith. As soon as I got him home he made a bolt for the door.



Our patients have voted us first in Emergency Care

**St John of God Emergency Department**  
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7 days a week



## AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Nola O'Connell, Garry Hickey

**CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Kevin Costa, Egid (Gido) Krasic, Elsie McFarlane, Dragan Slezak, Antonino Gumina, Allan Wallace, Enrico (Ric) Costa, Rosemary Richens, Jim Mathieson, Angelo Manganelli, Kerry James Daly, Zenona Romaniuk, Claudio Saltalamacchia

**Month Mind:** Margo Clarke, John Santospirito, Gary Featherston

**THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL:** Lydia Trentino, Nola Frances O'Neill

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



## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Year C – November 30, 2025

### Readings for next week:

**Isaiah 2: 1 - 5; Romans 13: 11 - 14; Matthew 24: 37 - 44**



Children's Liturgy	November 23	November 30	December 7	December 14
11.00am MASS	xxx No CLOW Junior Choir	Domenica Liz	Ella Kerry	Slavica Nina

TIMES	Commentator	Reader	Special Ministers	Welcomers	Main Collector
6.00pm VIGIL	Gael	Kavinda	Margot Vicki	Tim	Vince
7.30am	Nola	Corinne	Nola Annette	Brenda	Glenn
9.30am	Geoff M	Ann	Rhonda Maree R Geoff M	...	Geoff J
11.00am	Maria M	Santina	Maria M Nina Barbara	Liz/ Prue	Klaus/ Prue
AV	OPERATOR	6.00pm VIGIL	7.30am	9.30am	11.00am
		Rebecca	Barry	Marcia	Charlene

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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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