



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS - GEELONG

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Monday 10am-3pm*
Tuesday - Friday 9am-3pm
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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)

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Thursday at 9.00am

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A - APRIL 19 2026

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ANZAC DAY - Saturday April 25

The Eucharistic celebration will be held at the Basilica, commencing with a procession at 9:00am. This will replace the usual 10:00am Mass.



Reflection: Leo's Lens

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Pope Leo XIV reminds us that 'those who met Jesus along the roads of Palestine experienced his humanity, his eyes, his hands, the sound of his voice.' 'Those who decided to follow him,' the Pope suggests, 'were moved precisely by the experience of his welcoming gaze, the touch of his blessing hands, his words of liberation and healing.' Christ's being with us, the Pope makes clear, is integral to his mission. Through this dynamic, the Pope says, 'the disciples opened themselves to an encounter with God. Indeed, Christ's flesh, his face, his gestures and his words visibly manifest the invisible God.' This mystery illuminates our calling. As the Pope says, 'when we look at [the Church] closely, we discover a human dimension made up of real people, who sometimes manifest the beauty of the Gospel and other times struggle and make mistakes like everyone else. However,' the Pope continues, 'it is precisely through her members and her limited earthly aspects that Christ's presence and his saving action are manifested.' Therefore, whatever our shortcomings, we are part of this mystery. There is no 'pure Church, separated from the earth,' as the Pope puts it, but rather 'one Church of Christ, embodied in history,' in which we all have a part to play.

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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.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-33

On the day of Pentecost, Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always, for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me. So my heart was glad and my tongue cried out with joy: my body, too, will rest in the hope that you will not abandon my soul to Hades nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. You have made known the way of life to me, you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 15: 1-2

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!



Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.' Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself. When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them.

Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?' They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.



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VIQUEQUE NEWS

The recent School Confirmation Masses were well supported with donations totalling \$1,264.30 from the four Parish Schools (St Mary's Primary, St Margaret's Primary, Christ The King Primary and St Robert's Primary).

This is a great achievement and confirms the high regard within the St Mary's Parish community of the partnership with the Mary Immaculate Parish in Viqueque East Timor that has held for more than 16 years.

Viqueque Sunday & Cafe Light donations amounted to \$889.00, and a St Mary's parishioner has made a generous donation of \$500.

This effort has enabled a \$2,500 donation to be transferred to Viqueque to support the Parish of Mary Immaculate. Many thanks to all.

Permanent Diaconate Information Session

Annual Information Session: Saturday 2nd May 10.30am - 11.30am
Catholic Theological College 278 Victoria Pde East Melbourne
The Permanent Diaconate is open to single & married men (aged 30-50) who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. It is an opportunity to further discern your vocation. Wives most welcome. Please contact Deacon Kevin Pattison with full name and Parish information on kevin.pattison@cam.org.au

Good Shepherd Sunday 2026

Next Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday- the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During this week, please pray for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

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Fourth Sunday of Easter Year A : Readings

Acts of the Apostles 2: 14. 36-41; 1 Peter 2: 20-25; John 10: 1-10

6.00pm VIGIL

Commentator: Gael
Reader: Trish
Special Ministers: Vicki/Margot
Welcomer: Maree
Main Collector: Vince
AV Operator: Natalia

7.30am

Commentator: Barry
Reader: Lesley
Special Ministers: Annette/Margi
Welcomer: Carlo
Main Collector: Glenn
AV Operator: Antonia

9.30am

Commentator: Peter
Reader: Maree
Special Ministers: Rhonda /Ann / Erminia
Welcomer: ??
Main Collector: Geoff
AV Operator: Teresa

11.00am

Commentator: Slavica
Reader: Santina
Special Ministers: Pamela/ Linda / Domencia
Welcomer: Joan
Main Collector: Michael
AV Operator: Charlene

WELCOME

A warm welcome to all who join us at St Mary's today—whether you are visiting or returning, we are grateful to share this Mass with you as one community in faith.

Project Compassion



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier."

— St. Mother Teresa



As a community, we pray for:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Alfreda Suchanek, Deze Sabo, Anita Laton, Junnel Abujen, Ivy Sodomaco

CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Pope Francis, Leoncio Abellana, Dr Brian Meade, Reynaldo Mangas, Eileen Moran, Margaret Loughnan, Frank Sutis, Thomas Keogh, Kathleen Jones, Filippo Stefano, Thomas Larkins, Fr Richard Rafter, Fr Thomas Furey, Giuseppe Corica, Alice McLachlan, Terry Shanahan, Giovanni Travan, Thomason Christopher Santiago

MONTH MIND: Kathryn Naughton, Valarie Nelson, Leo Balase, Eamon Mullahy

THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL: Dhyana Woods, Mark Scanlon

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 OF THE WORLD [CLOW]

For children Grade 2 – Grade 6

Children's Liturgy 11am Mass

19th April - No CLOW | 26th April - CLOW | 3rd May - CLOW | 10th - CLOW



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