



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS - GEELONG

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9am-4.30pm
Closed on Public Holidays

Basilica Opening Hours

Monday 10am-3pm*
Tuesday - Friday 9am-3pm
Saturday-Sunday: Mass Times
Please note change of hours

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A - APRIL 26 2026

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World Day of Prayer
for Vocations



Lest We Forget

Reflection:

This weekend, the Fourth Sunday of Easter coincides with the commemoration of ANZAC Day. Each ANZAC Day we remember those men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice and gave their lives in defence of our Nation. "Greater love has no one than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:13)

As ANZAC Day falls on a Saturday this year, may we as a Parish community remember our veterans and all servicemen and women. The profession of arms is not a career in pursuit of war or aggression. It is a profession which seeks to maintain peace and resist aggression. As war and unrest continues to trouble many parts of the world, we are reminded that peace remains both a divine gift and a human responsibility.

We pray for the fallen and we pray for those men and women who have chosen to dedicate their lives in the pursuit of peace through their involvement in the Australian Defence Forces.

Lest we forget.

(Fr) Jim Clarke



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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. 36-41

On the day of Pentecost, Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22: 1-6. R. v.1

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2: 20-25

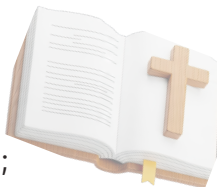
The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!



Gospel: John 10: 1-10

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out.

When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.' Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again: 'I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold.

All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them.

I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

PARISH PRAYER

Mary, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, bless the community of Geelong and look over all the people who are part of our Parish Community of St Mary of the Angels.

May we continue to live like you and your Son Jesus, in the spirit of justice, love and peace.

Amen



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Bulletin Notices

Due by: Thursdays at 1.00pm
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ANNUAL PARISH MASS COUNT

We thank our collectors who will be conducting the Parish Mass 'count' on weekends throughout May. The four weekends of the count are: 2 & 3 May, 9 & 10 May, 16 & 17 May and 23 & 24 May.

PIETY GIFT STALL

OPEN

Tuesdays to Fridays

10.30am – 1.00pm

CLOSED ON SATURDAY

OPEN Sundays

10.15am – 12.15pm

ST MARYS PARISH PANTRY

150 Yarra St. Geelong

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Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

1pm – 3pm

Good Shepherd Sunday 2026

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Leo tells us: *Listen to the voice of the Lord who invites you to a full and fruitful life, calling you to put your talents to use and to invite your limitations and weaknesses with the glorious cross of Christ.* Let us pray for the young people in our community, an in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.



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

menALIVE (a national Catholic Ministry for Men)

May 2nd - 3rd, 2026. Cost: \$50 pp – includes workshops, morning & afternoon tea, lunch & dinner on both days. Register by April 27th. For more information and details, you can visit: <https://bannockburn.menalivevic.au>



CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August). CatholicCare Victoria is the Church's mission in action - empowering communities and building strength and resilience, to enable everyone to reach their full potential and live life to the full. Your kindness and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individuals and families in our community. Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. You can donate using the appeal envelope available in our parish, donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9967 2515.

"For I was a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matthew 25:35)

Faith and Life- Geelong Community

Christian sharing for those with a disability, their families and friends. You are invited to the next gathering on Tuesday April 28th, 1.30pm to 4.30pm. We are sharing our Easter stories, friendship, faith and music with afternoon tea. RSVP to Tricia O'Keefe 0414 672 267 by April 27th.

BASILICA CHOIR

Come and enjoy! New members are welcome to join, with practice held in the Sodalities Room each Thursday evening. A current WWCC is required. For more details, please email Jane: jbashiruddin@bigpond.com
Thank you to Danuta for taking practice until June 8! Next Mass: May 3rd

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Fifth Sunday of Easter Year A : Readings

Acts of the Apostles 6: 1-7; 1 Peter 2: 4-9; John 14: 6

6.00pm VIGIL

Commentator: Caroline
Reader: Samina
Special Ministers: Gael / Trish
Welcomer: Samina
Main Collector: Vince
AV Operator: Natalia

7.30am

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

9.30am

Commentator: Geoff
Reader: Marita
Special Ministers: Rhonda /Ann / Erminia
Welcomer: Ruby
Main Collector: Geoff
AV Operator: Dominic

11.00am

Commentator: Maria
Reader: Santina
Special Ministers: Domenica / Pamela / Linda
Welcomer: Prue
Main Collector: Michael
AV Operator: Joan

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.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

They gave their tomorrow so we could have our today. - Unknown



ST JOHN OF GOD HOSPITAL CHAPEL MASS:
Geelong Hospital Every Thursday at 11.30am

THE PULSE RADIO MASS BROADCAST:
94.7 FM Every Sunday 10am



As a community, we pray for:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mary Keating, Bridget McCloskey, Dennis Willey

CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Janette Lineen, John McCarter, Anne Draper, Leo O'Sullivan, Bernard Moloney, Raymond Dargham, Eileen 'Molly' Kenny, Myrna Tomazic, Frank Lombardo, Gordon Snowdon, Norman Clarke, Bob Warren, Bernie Moloney, Maria Magdalena Ramos, John Eric Hedges, Angelito Cabia, Gil Cabia, Saturnina Delosantos, Raymond Dargham, Dante Aguirre, Mary Whelan, Steve Cummins, Jack Cummins, Robert Cummins, Paola Delosantos, Fernando Zablan, Gracinda De Jesus, Jose Fernando De Jesus Da Silva, Joaquina Laureano, Maria Maca, Vilma Cioch, Salvation Palma, Francis Pattalath, Josephina Pattalath

MONTH MIND: Ken Harrison, Blandine Alfred, Leonardo Tamayo

THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE UNWELL: Dhyana Woods, Naomi Weir



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORLD [CLOW]

For children Grade 2 – Grade 6

Children's Liturgy 11am Mass

26th April - CLOW | 3rd May - CLOW | 10th - CLOW | 17th - CLOW



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