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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

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – February 9, 2025

### Readings for this week:

**Isaiah 6: 1 - 8; 1 Corinthians 15: 1 - 11; Luke 5: 1 - 11**

### Reflection - Francis' Focus

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'God does not want a cruise ship,' Pope Francis quips while reflecting on today's Gospel passage. Instead, as he points out, when the fishermen are tired and dejected Jesus climbs into their boat with them. Moreover, in doing so, Jesus encourages them to go out again for what turns out to be a greater purpose. Their lives are changed when they let Jesus in the boat.

The Pope reminds us that Our Lord can 'make use of our poverty to proclaim his richness, of our miseries to proclaim his mercy.' Provided, that is, we welcome him into our lives and livelihoods.

When we work with God, trusting that Jesus shows us the way, then we will find our true calling. We might even gain the courage to leave our familiar boat behind!

What is crucial, the Pope asserts, is that we 'set out anew with him and to sail a new sea,' open to surprises along the way. When we serve Jesus, the Pope affirms, 'he accomplishes great things in us.' We should therefore heed Jesus' call to each one of us, which is, the Pope suggests, 'to go out into the open sea of the humanity of our time, in order to be witnesses to goodness and mercy.'

**Nick Brodie** is an Australian historian and writer who is currently Dean of Academic Studies of Jane Franklin Hall in Hobart. A graduate of the Australian National University, Flinders University, and the University of Tasmania, he is the author of several books on Australian history and numerous essays on historical, political, and religious topics. In 2017 he was awarded the Bruce Mansfield Prize for the best article in the Journal of Religious History. He is currently studying Theology.

### PIETY GIFT STALL

OPEN Tuesdays to Fridays  
10.30am – 1.00pm  
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OPEN Sundays  
10.15am – 12.15pm

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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.

### BASILICA OPEN TIMES ARE:

Monday 10am - 5pm;

Tuesday - Friday, 9am - 5pm.

Open on the weekend for 10am Mass, Reconciliation (after the 10am Mass), Baptisms & Weddings, and for regular Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses.

**See front page for Mass time details.**

### St Mary's Parish: LOURDES DAY MASS

Our Lourdes Day Mass will be celebrated on Saturday February 15<sup>th</sup> at the 10am Mass time.

**During this Mass there will be a blessing and anointing, and small 15ml vials of Lourdes Holy Water will be available (1 per person).**

**Because of the anointing, which cleanses us of our sins, there will be **NO RECONCILIATION** held after the Mass on that day.**

We will be offering a social "cuppa get together" in the Narthex, and invite you to stay for a tea/coffee and biscuit after the Mass.

### ASH WEDNESDAY falls on Wednesday March 5.

Mass times will be: 10.00am; 12noon (which *may also be attended by our primary schools*) and 7.30pm in the evening.

### PIETY GIFT STALL – URGENT NEED !!

Due to recent retirement of some volunteers, the Piety Gift Stall is in great need of new volunteers to take their place. The most need is for Tuesday and Wednesday. If you are available and can commit to a day once a week please do not hesitate to call the Parish Office during the week on 5222 1977 or email: [admin@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:admin@stmarysgeelong.com.au)



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This happens only once every 25 years and promises to be a time of grace for thousands of pilgrims and the world's faithful. Helloworld Highton has amended their previous tour offer to commemorate this experience of a lifetime, and is now offering **2025 JUBILEE TOUR**.

Pope Francis has named this Jubilee celebration year "Pilgrims of Hope" as a celebration of peace, hope and love.

This is a 7-day tour | Rome return, departing in 2025, on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Visit Rome, and some of the world's most iconic and inspiring holy sites, for an experience you will never forget.

For more information, or to register your interest please contact: **HELLOWORLD TRAVEL HIGHTON**, 83 Barrabool Road, Highton. (03) 5243 9311, email: [highton@helloworld.com.au](mailto:highton@helloworld.com.au)

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY INVITES YOU** to join the "Congress and Beyond" conversation/ workshop being hosted in our region.

**When:** Wednesday February 12<sup>th</sup>, (registration & sandwiches at 6.30pm, workshop 7.00pm – 9.30pm). **Where:** Hibernian Hall – St Mary's Parish Centre: 150 Yarra St Geelong. **RSVP** to Damien Bernasconi [damien.bernasconi@sudp-vic.org.au](mailto:damien.bernasconi@sudp-vic.org.au) 0438 034 306. If you have any food requirements, please indicate in your RSVP.

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To view all current rates, please visit the CDF website: [www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/organisations/interest-rates](http://www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/organisations/interest-rates)



## Music Ministry - Parish Choirs

### ST MARY'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

**New members are always welcome.**

If you are interested, please call Rebecca at the Parish Office on 5222 1977 during the week, or you can email: [rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au) Weekly practices are held during the school term on a Friday after school [3.30pm - 4.30pm] in the Hibernian Hall [Café Light].

**Next Mass: February 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 11am**

**MIXTURES ADULT CHOIR** Come Join Us!!

**Next Mass: February 9<sup>th</sup> @ 11am.**

Practice is prior to the 11am Mass - starting at 9.30am in the Hibernian Hall [Café Light].

If interested to join please email:

[rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au](mailto:rhay@stmarysgeelong.com.au)

**BASILICA CHOIR: New members welcome.**

Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7.30pm to 9.00 pm in the Sodalities Room at the rear of St Mary's Basilica - entry from outside.

**Next Mass: February 9<sup>th</sup> @ 9.30am**

For more information or details please email:

[jbashiruddin@bigpond.com](mailto:jbashiruddin@bigpond.com)



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

The answer for last week is: A) 123

### New 1% CLUB QUESTION

Mary's mother has six children, April, May, June, July, August and who?

### ST MARY'S PARISH PANTRY

Address: 150 Yarra St. Geelong

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" (*note: no apostrophe*)

### MUSIC AT THE BASILICA

136 Yarra St Geelong presents

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*"The Seven Last Words of Christ"*

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Jamie Parker & Amy You - Violin,

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**Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5.00pm**

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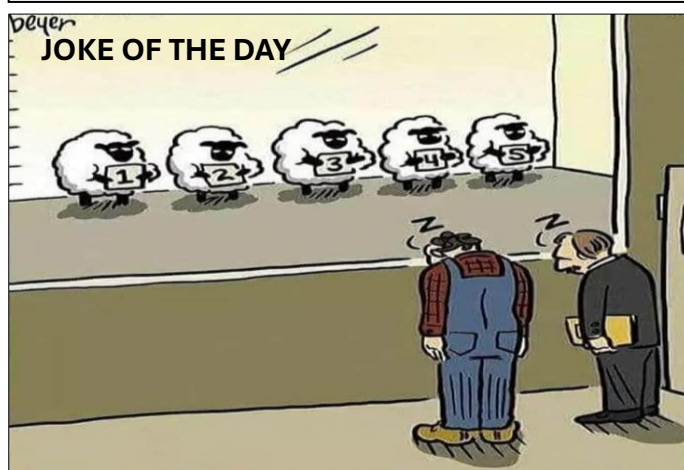
### FRIENDS OF MUSIC AT THE BASILICA MEMBERSHIP INVITATION

We invite you to join this group of music-lovers helping to bring fine music to Geelong.

The annual Subscription is \$35.00 which includes: reserved seating at concerts; invitation to "Friends" social events; the "Friends" Bulletin, and at the end of the concert series, there will be a friendly "Evening Gathering" with wine and cheese.

Simply complete the [Friends form](#) save it and email to: [info@musicatthebasilica.org.au](mailto:info@musicatthebasilica.org.au)

**QUOTE FOR THE WEEK** Love is the soul's embrace of eternity; even when we are gone, love remains.  
- Anonymous



How sheep get away with a crime...

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**CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** John Sheridan, Nicola Taranto, Concetta Orioli, Velia DeRocco, Karlo Musik, Danica Banozic, Glenn Russell, Stanley Stewart, Angela Scafidi, Nora Doolan, Donatina D’Addazio, John Donnellan **Month Mind:** Wilma Diaz, Marie Clatworthy

**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.*

**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 7am on Light FM 89.9 & 10am on The Pulse FM 94.7



**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – February 16, 2025**

**Readings for next week:**

**Jeremiah 17: 5 - 8; 1 Corinthians 15: 12, 16 - 20; Luke 6: 17. 20 - 26**

Children’s Liturgy	February 9	February 16	February 23	March 2
<b>11.00am MASS</b>	Slavica Kulic Kerry Tomison	Blake Drever Nina Tarsitano	xxx No CLOW Junior Choir	Mary Forder Lina Sidoti

TIMES	Commentator	Reader	Special Ministers	Welcomers	Main Collector
6.00pm VIGIL	Gael Perry	Margot Jarman	Vicki Zavaglia Margot Jarman	...	Vince Zavaglia
7.30am	Annette Wilkinson	Barry Leith	Barry Leith Margi Munk	Monica Pearce	Lachlan Buchanan
9.30am	Marita Fitzpatrick	Jennifer Guinane	Blake Drever Maree Ryan Ann Salerno	...	Geoff Johnston
11.00am	Domenica Croce	Rosemary Gador	Lina Sidoti Nina Tarsitano Maria Monea	Liz Bauer	Michael Belleville
<b>AV</b>	<b>OPERATOR</b>	<b>6.00pm VIGIL</b>	<b>7.30am</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>11.00am</b>
		Rebecca/Charlene	Keith Almond	Teresa Eadie	Georgia Cowdery

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

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