HOLY TRINITY PARISH QUEENSCLIFF

HOLY TRINITY PARISH INCORPORATING THE MASS CENTRES AND COMMUNITIES OF



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH 101 Hitchcock Av **Barwon Heads**

THE SEA Ocean Grove

QUEENSCLIFF 68 John Dory Drive A PLACE OF PILGRIMAGE **FOR JUBILEE YEAR 2025**

OUR LADY STAR OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C

PARISH TEAM

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday from 10:00am to 1:00pm (closed public holidays)

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm — BARWON HEADS 9:00am — OCEAN GROVE Sunday: Sunday: 11:00am — QUEENSCLIFF

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

9:15am — Ocean Grove Tuesday: Wednesday: 9:15am — Queenscliff Thursday: 9:15am — Ocean Grove Friday: 9:15am — Queenscliff

Please see: Liturgy in our Parish This Week

for others events and activities

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

is available prior to each weekend Mass, and before or after weekday Masses if needed.

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

St. Aloysius, Queenscliff Principal: Ms. Miriam Leahy, Tel: 5258 1736

Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove Principal: Ms. Kerryn Sells, Tel: 5255 4308

Sunday 27th April 2025

REMEMBERING POPE FRANCIS



As we come to celebrate this Divine Mercy Sunday, we pray for the Holy Father, Pope Francis. Even in our sadness, the hope and joy of the risen Christ is with us.

Eternal rest grant unto Francis, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon him, may he rest in peace.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

The disciples did not purge their group of 'doubting Thomas'. They remained his companions, waiting for something or Someone to be revealed to him with them.

Doubt and questioning are a normal and proper part of being human. We should allow for this within the community of the Church. A point may come where a person may no longer remain in the Church with any integrity. But a dismissive, excluding Church is not the Church of this gospel story.

Within the companionship of the Church a doubter may hear the words: 'Peace be with you.' What sort of peace? It is that inner assurance that, in the midst of all the tribulations and the turmoil and the myriad precursor deaths which we suffer on all sorts of levels, the Conqueror of Death wants to be with us.

How can the Risen Lord be with us? In Holy Communion, and in those counted as least in the world. According to Matthew 25, He is those without the necessities of life: food, shelter, medical care, comfort in distress.

We could pause for a moment to savour that Peace which comes from faith in the Conqueror of Death and in his Real Presence in Holy Communion and in those in dire need.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:2-4. 22-27. R. v.1

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

- The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
 This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.
 This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. (R.)
- 3. O Lord, grant us salvation;
 O Lord grant success.
 Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.
 We bless you from the house of the Lord; the true God is our light. (R.)

Second Reading Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

Gospel Acclamation John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! **Alleluia!**

Gospel

John 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them.

The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

PRAYERS OF INTENTION

Recently Deceased: Pope Francis.

<u>Anniversaries</u> 27th <u>April to 3rd May</u>: Millie Murray, Monica Connellan and Johanna Verheyen.

Please pray for those who are Sick: Naomi Bianco, Frances Blaine, Jacqueline Blake, Matthew Blake, Mary Blonk, Peter Bourke, Helen Carter, Sam Caruana, Sue Casey, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, Nell Fraigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Margaret Gladstone, Mary Gladwin, Martin & Mary Grundy, Justin Hanan, Stephen Hanan, Susan Hardy, Peter Harrington, Jeanette Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Melissa Keogh, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Leahy, Margaret Lomas, Michelle Mahoney, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Piec, Mavourneen Ray, Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Kevin Teasdale, Richard Vaughan, Deanne Warren and Cathy Williams.

ROSTERS

OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 4th May at 9:00am:

(C) Monica Meagher (L) Anne Bourke (SM) Judy Considine, Dan O'Meara (W) Jo Ballard, Dawn Dalton.

QUEENSCLIFF: Sunday 4th May at 11:00am:

(C) Terry Philp (L) TBC (SM) Angela Hatch (W) Rosamaria Guthrie.

COUNTERS: Tuesday 29th April at 10:00am:

Carmen Buhagiar and Maria Sammut.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Tuesday 29th April — **St Catherine of Siena** 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 30th April — 2nd week of Easter 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (until 11:00am)

Thursday 1st May — 2nd week of Easter 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Friday 2nd May — St Athanasius

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (until 11:00am)

Saturday 3rd May — Sts Philip and James

Sunday 4th May — THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

Thank you to those who regularly support our parish each week. If you are a visitor today, we thank you for your support. There will be the usual two collections at Mass.

The first is for the support of parish expenses and administration such as wages, maintenance, utilities, insurance, etc

The second is for the support of the parish priest, retired and sick priests, priests in needy parishes and the Archbishop.

Direct credits can also be made:

Parish church account (First Collection):

BSB: 083-347

Acct No.: 530 502 075

Parish presbytery account (Second Collection):

BSB: 083-347

Acct No.: 931 706 909

There is a tap and go terminal in the foyer of the church. The parish deeply appreciates your support.

CATHOLICCARE SUNDAY APPEAL

(A special collection by CatholicCare 3-4 May)

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August). As the Catholic Church's mission in action, CatholicCare Victoria delivers programs and services to support families, children, young people and individuals to help everyone reach their full potential. The services include counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full. Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individuals and families in our community. You can donate using the appeal envelope available in our parish, donate online www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9967 2515.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Please continue to bring your offerings to Mass over the next several weeks. Place offerings in with collection plate.

We wish the principals, staff, students and families a wonderful, joyous Term 2 as students returned to school this week.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Taking place this Sunday, 4th May, following 9:00am Mass (including children's liturgy) at Ocean Grove and 11:00am Mass at Queenscliff. All welcome!

MORNING TEA AT HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Parishioners are invited to morning tea on Thursday 1st May at 10:30am. All welcome.

CHILDREN RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM THIS WEEKEND

Together we pray for the children receiving the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

MASS COUNT — MAY 2025

The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne has requested each Parish to record Mass attendance numbers during May. This is to maintain an up-to-date picture of Mass attendance in the Archdiocese, both in our parishes and migrant community centres Thank you to the volunteers who will be recording these number throughout May for us.

ITEMS AVAILABLE TO ANYONE IN NEED

- An AEG 6000 series washing machine front loader
- A clothes dryer
- A Fisher & Paykel large grey/silver fridge with bottom
 draw

Persons interested can contact Tim on 0412 734 398.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Notice how the stiffest tree is easily cracked, while the bamboo or willow survives by bending with the wind.

- Bruce Lee.

LOCAL EVENTS

ST BERNARD'S CHURCH ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

Sunday 4th May at Clairvaux School Hall (Reynolds Rd, Belmont) from 8am to 2pm. Come along & browse the huge selection of second-hand books - fiction, nonfiction & children's - all at bargain prices. Plus, jigsaw puzzles, DVDs & CDs and a cake stall. All welcome.

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Visit our website for all information: www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/sacraments/

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Visit our website for all information:
www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/sacraments/
sacramental-program-1/

COLUMBARIUM

Visit our website for all information: www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/about-us/parish-columbarium/

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

We are welcoming enquiries for new members to join the Catholic Church. RCIA workshops for 2025-2026 will start in October 2025. Enquiries to parish office via 5258 673 or queensclift@cam.org.au



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BULLETIN NOTICES

If a loved one has recently died or if you would like a deceased loved one prayed for as their anniversary is occurring, please contact the parish office on 5258 1673 or queensclift@cam.org.au by 1:00pm on Thursdays to have your loved one(s) remembered in the weekly bulletin.