

HOLY TRINITY PARISH QUEENSCLIFF

HOLY TRINITY PARISH INCORPORATING THE MASS CENTRES AND COMMUNITIES OF



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

**OUR LADY STAR OF
THE SEA**
68 John Dory Drive
Ocean Grove

**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,
QUEENSCLIFF**
**A PLACE OF PILGRIMAGE
FOR JUBILEE
YEAR 2025**



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C

Sunday 25th May 2025

PARISH TEAM

Fr Linh Pham PP
Mrs Daniella Sutera
Parish Secretary
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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
Sunday: 9:00am — OCEAN GROVE
Sunday: 11:00am — QUEENSCLIFF

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday: 9:15am — Ocean Grove
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

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Tuesday 27th May — 6th week of Easter

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
11:00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at Sea View
Manor, Ocean Grove
7:00pm First Reconciliation Service for Sacramental Program
Catechetics at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 28th May — 6th week of Easter

Bishop Martin Ashe visiting Confirmation Candidates today
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff, followed by Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament (until 11:00am)
11:00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at Arcare,
Point Lonsdale
6:00pm Our Lady Star of the Sea Confirmation parent
information evening at the school

Thursday 29th May — 6th week of Easter

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Friday 30th May — 6th week of Easter

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

Saturday 31st May — The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11:00am Confirmation Mass for Our Lady Star of the Sea and
Parish Sacramental Program Candidates
at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
2:00pm Confirmation Mass for St Aloysius Candidates
at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Sunday 1st June — The ASCENSION of the LORD

REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSA

The new city of God is built on the foundation of the apostles, but on its gates are inscribed the names of the tribes of Israel. These names represent the openness to all nations, races, peoples and tongues. The resurrection of Jesus has radically transformed the way we live together and the way we live with God. What must we do to be saved? The question put to Jesus centuries ago is still asked today, and the answer is still the same. We must believe and we must love God and love one another. We will be recognised as resurrection people by our active faith and by our unselfish love, not by an exterior mark, regardless of how sacred. This change in requirements for membership does not diminish the rigour of our religious obligations. Rather, it suggests that we may always have to reinterpret the law, for what is appropriate at one time and in one place may be inappropriate in another. With the early Christians, we will need the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this very delicate process. This is why the departing Jesus assures us that the Spirit will come to us to teach us all things. The final gift that Jesus promises to give is his own peace, a peace that he has won by overcoming sin and death. This peace issues from the union that Jesus enjoys with God, a union which we are now invited to share.

We acknowledge the Wathaurong people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which our three churches stand

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2. 22-29

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 66:2-3. 5-6. 8. R. v. 4

(R.) O God, let all the nations praise you!

1. O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. **(R.)**
2. Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. **(R.)**
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. **(R.)**

Second Reading

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 14:23-29

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him
and make our home with him.
Those who do not love me do not keep my words.
And my word is not my own:
it is the word of the one who sent me.
I have said these things to you
while still with you;
but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything
and remind you of all I have said to you.
Peace I bequeath to you,
my own peace I give you,
a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.
You heard me say:
I am going away, and shall return.
If you loved me you would have been glad to know
that I am going to the Father,
for the Father is greater than I.
I have told you this now before it happens,
so that when it does happen you may believe.'

PRAYERS OF INTENTION

Anniversaries 25th May to 31st May:

Tim Kirkman and Mick Bourke.

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 Picc, Mavourneen Ray, Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Kevin Teasdale, Richard Vaughan, Deanne Warren and Cathy Williams.

ROSTERS

OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 1st June at 9:00am:

(C) Janine Fitzpatrick (L) Lachlan Fitzpatrick
(SM) Judy Considine, Fiorentina Romeo (W) Michael & Barbara Hardy.

QUEENSCLIFF: Sunday 1st June at 11:00am:

(C) Michael Scott (L) Ellen Bourke (SM) Lisa Piasente
(W) Tony Frizza.

COUNTERS: Tuesday 27th May at 10:00am:

David Millie & Sam Sammut.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - NEWS & EVENTS

A STEP BACK IN TIME...

1879: "During the past week, Father Finn has been travelling through the Bellarine district in order to give Catholics who live in the outlying portions of the mission a ready opportunity of gaining the plenary indulgence of the Jubilee."

COUNTERS WANTED

If you are interested in joining the counting team, please contact Daniella at the parish office.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Taking place next Sunday, 1st June, following 9:00am Mass (including children's liturgy) at Ocean Grove. All welcome!

TOGETHE WE PRAY FOR:

The children of the Parish's Sacramental Program are receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and Sacrament of Confirmation during this week. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - NEWS & EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE - JUBILEE 2025, PILGRIMS OF HOPE

From Sunday 9 November to Tuesday 11 November 2025. The Peace Camino: "**The Way to War becomes the Prayerful Path to Peace and Hope**", following the Bellarine Rail Trail, from South Geelong Railway Station to Drysdale, staying overnight before continuing on to Queenscliff. On Tuesday 11th November, Pilgrims can attend 11am Remembrance Day Service at the Queenscliff Fort conducted by the RSL, followed by a gathering and lunch at Holy Trinity Church Queenscliff. Registration of interest will open via the website (in development). An example of what we have in mind can be seen in what is organised by Cygnet parish, Tasmania, The Pilgrimage: The Way to St James Cygnet inspired by and modelled on the famous El Camino del Santiago. Their website is <https://www.waytostjames.com.au/pilgrimage>. Some of our parish may be interested in visiting other pilgrim places during the year. That's in firm consideration at the moment.

PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Last Thursday, 22nd May, we welcomed 40 plus pilgrims and their Parish Priest Fr Minh Tran from St Michael's Parish in Bell Park. Like us, St Michael's has three churches, incorporating Holy Family in Bell Park, Sts Peter and Paul in Geelong West and Holy Spirit in Manifold Heights. After being welcomed at the Church, Holy Mass was celebrated by Fr Linh and Fr Minh, highlighted that we are all called to be Pilgrims of Hope. Following the Mass, we adjourned to the hall where the Pilgrims had their passports stamped before they entered. A sit down luncheon of finger foods was served. Thank you to Donnie and his associates for the provision of this delicious meal. A huge "thank you" to the seven ladies who formed a large part of the welcoming group, and who were wonderful hostesses and their waitressing skills excelled. Fr Linh proved himself in this capacity. Following lunch, there was time for Pilgrims to enjoy a walk around our grounds, some managed to see the sea, whilst others simply enjoyed sitting in the sun and taking the opportunity of coming to know each other as the combined Parish of St Michael's. The Pilgrims departed 2:00pm, journeying on with grateful hearts for the hospitality received.

Sr Nola Morrissy



JUBILEE YEAR 2025 AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, QUEENSCLIFF

During Jubilee Year Holy Trinity Church, Queenscliff, will be open for private/group prayer during the week: **Tuesdays to Fridays and Sundays from 9am to 3pm.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow 9:15am Mass until 11:00am on Wednesdays and Fridays.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Do not follow where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson.

LOCAL EVENTS

FRIENDS OF FAITH AND LIGHT GEELONG

Christian community for anyone with a disability, their family and friends. Next Gathering: Tuesday May 27th, 2pm. Parishioners welcome. St Marys Hibernian Hall. Theme: Hope. Prayer, sharing, music, afternoon tea. It's our 6th birthday. RSVP: Tricia O'Keeffe 0414672277. info: www.faithandlight.org.

GRACE WITH THE SACRAMENTS & DIVINE MERCY

Fr. Chris Alar is set to visit St. Patrick's Cathedral and Divine Mercy Shrine on Saturday, 31st May. This is your opportunity to see the most prolific Catholic speaker in the world LIVE at two locations, both of which are Jubilee Pilgrim Sites. Touring with the Australian first launch of his new book "Understanding the Sacraments God's Grace Guaranteed!" This is your chance to grow in faith with Divine Mercy while receiving the Plenary Indulgences from visiting either Pilgrim Site! For more information and to book your free tickets, visit our website: [Divine Mercy Events - Divine Mercy Australia](#). Please note that no booking is required at the Shrine.

CONCERT AT THE BASILICA BALLARAT CHORAL SOCIETY

Music at the Basilica invites you to a concert "**Faith, Hope and Love**" on Sunday 25th May at 4pm at the Basilica of St Mary of the Angels, Geelong. The the Ballarat Choral Society and the superb Ballarat a capella group, VOX, will perform Dvorak's *Mass in D Major* and Mozart's *Te Deum in C Major* and motets by Bruckner. This will be the Ballarat Choral Society's first performance in Geelong, so please make them feel welcome! Tickets from www.trybooking.com/CYIWT or at the door. Children and school students – free. See www.musicatthebasilica.org.au for details.

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 queenscliff@cam.org.au



Anthony & Letitia Dowling with the friendly team you know and trust.

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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 queenscliff@cam.org.au by 1:00pm on Thursdays to have your loved one(s) remembered in the weekly bulletin.