

# 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**



**17th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C**

**Sunday 27th July 2025**

## PARISH TEAM

Fr Linh Pham PP  
Mrs Daniella Sutura  
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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. Kerry Sells, Tel: 5255 4308

## LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

**Tuesday 29th July — Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus**  
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

**Wednesday 30th July — Weekday, Ordinary Time 17**  
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff,  
with St Aloysius Years 4-6 students attending,  
followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
(until 11:00am)

**Thursday 31st July — St Ignatius of Loyola**  
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

**Friday 1st August — St Alphonsus Liguori**  
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff followed by  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (until 11:00am)

**Saturday 2nd August — Weekday, Ordinary Time 17**

**Sunday 3rd August — 18th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**  
11:00am Mass with St Aloysius students receiving the  
Sacrament of First Eucharist

## REFLECTION

*by Dianne Bergant*

The readings invite us to reflect on prayer. Whether our prayer be praise, contrition, thanksgiving or petition, it always recognises our need for God. In the gospel Jesus instructs us to ask for what we need. He assures us that God is more than willing to give us what we need. However, for this to happen we must turn to God and humbly acknowledge our need.

The most obvious characteristic of prayer depicted in the readings for this Sunday is persistence. Neither Abraham nor the man in the gospel was deterred by any obstacle. They show that it is not so much that we persist in prayer in order to change God's mind as it is that we persist in order to discover what God's mind might be.

The salutariness of prayer is often found in the change that it effects in us, not in God. By persevering in genuine prayer we may come to acknowledge that all things are in God's hands, and that we can rest content to leave them there, trusting that the situation will be cared for as God sees fit. It seems trite to say that God hears all prayer and sometimes the answer is 'No!' It is better to say that God respects the freedom of people and will seldom intervene to change the way events unfold. Still, prayer can change the one who prays and also the one for whom the prayer is offered if only human need is recognised and divine solicitude is acknowledged.

**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

Genesis 18:20-32

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3

**(R.)** *Lord, on this day I called for help,  
you answered me.*

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
Before the angels I will bless you.  
I will adore before your holy temple. **(R.)**
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love  
which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly  
and the haughty he knows from afar.  
Though I walk in the midst of affliction  
you give me life and frustrate my foes. **(R.)**
4. You stretch out your hand and save me,  
your hand will do all things for me.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands. **(R.)**

### Second Reading

Colossians 2:12-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Colossians

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

### Gospel Acclamation

Romans 8:15

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children,  
and in that Spirit we call God our Father.

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy,  
your kingdom come;  
give us each day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.  
And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

## PRAYERS OF INTENTION

### **Anniversaries 27th July to 2nd August:**

Tasman Blizzard, Mary Ray and Eugene Duhau.

### **Please pray for those who are Sick:**

Naomi Bianco, Frances Blaine, Denise 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, Mavourneen Ray, Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, David Selva, Salvatore & Santa Sutera, Kevin Teasdale, Richard Vaughan, Deanne Warren and Cathy Williams.

## ROSTERS

### **OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 3rd August at 9:00am:**

(C) Catherine Hayes (L) Maureen Earls (SM) Dan O'Meara, Marg Lucas (W) Dawn Dalton, Margaret Donovan.

### **QUEENSCLIFF: Sunday 3rd August at 11:00am:**

(C) Miriam Leahy (L) St Aloysius School Children (SM) Sr Nola Morrissey (W) Mary Clare Hoare.

### **COUNTERS: Tuesday 29th July at 10:00am:**

Judy Compton and Dan Donovan.

## JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - NEWS

### **SAVE THE DATE - JUBILEE 2025, PILGRIMS OF HOPE**

The Peace Camino: "The Way to War becomes the Prayerful Path to Peace and Hope" from Sunday 9 November to Tuesday 11 November. Pilgrims follow the Bellarine Rail Trail, from South Geelong Railway Station to Drysdale, staying overnight before continuing on to Queenscliff with an opportunity to attend an 11am Remembrance Day Service, followed by a gathering and lunch at Holy Trinity Church Queenscliff.

### **JUBILEE AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

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.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

### **JUBILEE OF GRANDPARENTS AT QUEENSCLIFF AND HOSPITALITY SUNDAY**

This Sunday, 27th July, is Jubilee of Grandparents. Hospitality following 11:00am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff. All welcome!

### **HOSPITALITY SUNDAY AT OCEAN GROVE**

Taking place this Sunday, 27th July, following 9:00am Mass (including children's liturgy) at Ocean Grove. All welcome!

### **CATHOLIC MISSION**

#### **PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL**

Thank you for your support and generosity for last weekend's Propagation of the Faith Appeal. The total raised was \$500.85.

### **CHILDREN RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST NEXT WEEKEND**

Together we pray for the St Aloysius School children receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist next weekend at Holy Trinity Church, Queenscliff. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

### **A PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS**

Loving God, we thank you for your gift of grandparents. We thank you for all who play a grandparents role in our lives. We are grateful for their love, their stories and the wisdom they share. We ask that you bless them with good health, happiness and peace. May they continue to be a source of strength and inspiration for our families. We pray for them to feel your love and presence in their lives every day. May we always honour and appreciate them. Amen.

### **ACYF RETURNS TO MELBOURNE END OF 2025**



Capping off a rich program of Jubilee events in our Archdiocese this 2025 Jubilee Year, the Australian Catholic Youth Festival is and fun and faith-filled national festival. It provides young people from Year 9 to 25 years old with the opportunity to come together, connect, deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to live their faith in the world and experience the breadth of the Church in Australia. More information about the festival is available on the official ACYF website (<https://acyf.org.au>).

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

To accomplish great things, we must not only act,  
but also dream;  
not only plan, but also believe..

- Anatole France.



## LOCAL EVENTS

### RENAISSANCE REQUIEM

#### The Australian Chamber Choir

**Sunday August 10, 3.30pm** at the Basilica of St Mary of the Angels, Geelong. Program includes music by Tomkins, Lauridsen, Tallis, Morley, Byrd, Gibbons, Schütz, Aleotti, Dowland and Victoria, and features a newly commissioned work by Gordon Kerry - *Missa pro Defunctis*. Tickets available from [www.auschoir.org](http://www.auschoir.org). For further details, visit [www.musicatthebasilica.org.au](http://www.musicatthebasilica.org.au).

### Taizé PRAY | PEACE GATHERING

People in the Bellarine Peninsula and beyond are invited to gather to pray and worship at Santa Casa (33 Flinders Street, Queenscliff) on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>**

**August 2025 at 2:30pm** followed by afternoon tea at 3:30pm. Please RSVP to Sr Lizzie Finnerty RSM on 0418 194 261 or email [santacasa@ismapng.org.au](mailto:santacasa@ismapng.org.au) for catering and seating purposes. All welcome.

### VILLA MARIA CATHOLIC HOMES

#### Switch or sign up for a VMCH Home Care Package and get \$500\* in gift cards

Villa Maria Catholic Homes (VMCH) is one of Victoria's largest not-for-profit home care providers, offering trusted support to older Australians living independently. To help make life a little easier, you'll receive \$500 in gift cards\* when you switch or sign up for a VMCH Home Care Package. Visit [vmch.com.au/reward](http://vmch.com.au/reward) or call our friendly team on **1300 698 624** to find out more. \*Terms & conditions apply.

## BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Visit our website for all information:

[www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/sacraments/](http://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/](http://www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/sacraments/sacramental-program-1/)

### COLUMBARIUM

Visit our website for all information:

[www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/about-us/parish-columbarium/](http://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](mailto:queenscliff@cam.org.au)



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General maintenance, handyman, gardening, and cleaning. Servicing the Bellarine and Geelong areas.

Contact Charlie on 0413 609 170

or email [charlie.sutera76@gmail.com](mailto:charlie.sutera76@gmail.com).

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

SPECIAL LEAGUE EVENT FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR  
AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL - A PILGRIM PLACE

**Pilgrins of Hope**

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF VICTORIA AND WAGGA WAGGA

**A JOURNEY WITH THE LORD JESUS**

WOMEN'S RETREAT

**SATURDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2025**  
9am - 4pm  
Led by Fr Nicholas Pearce

Holy Mass celebrated by  
**Archbishop Peter A Comensoli**  
St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne  
Talks, Adoration, Confession  
Includes morning tea and lunch  
**Park Hyatt Melbourne**

ARCHBISHOP PETER A COMENSOLI  
FR NICHOLAS PEARCE  
SILVANA SCARFE  
MUSIC BY AYLESA AGIUS

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people, as a central and fundamental responsibility, of our parish. The Parish Statement of Commitment and the Reporting Process, are on display in all churches, and all Parish Policies are available, on the website:

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