

# 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**



**22nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C**

**Sunday 31st August 2025**

## PARISH TEAM

Fr Linh Pham PP  
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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 2nd September — Weekday, Ordinary Time 22**  
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

**Wednesday 3rd September — St Gregory the Great**  
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff, with St Aloysius  
School attending, followed by Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament (until 11:00am)

**Thursday 4th September — Weekday, Ordinary Time 22**  
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

**Friday 5th September — Weekday, Ordinary Time 22**  
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff followed by  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (until 11:00am)

**Saturday 6th September — Weekday, Ordinary Time 22**

**Sunday 7th September — 23rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

## REFLECTION

*by Dianne Bergant*

The goodness of God is seen in the extravagant generosity with which God gives gifts. This is described in the psalm in the boundlessness and universal scope of God's generosity. Like the rain that falls on the entire landscape, the blessings of God are showered on all. These blessings are true gifts. They have not been earned, nor can they be repaid. God's openness is also seen in the reading from the Letter to the Hebrews and in the gospel. All are invited to approach the heavenly city; the heavenly banquet will be open to the poor and to those who have no way of repaying.

Only the humble can receive the gifts of God. Only those who can admit their neediness are open enough to realise that God's blessings are gifts freely given, not compensation for a job well done. Without a humble spirit we are unable to receive gifts as gifts. This is either because we are too proud or we do not know how to receive with the open hearts of children, who never think that they must return in kind. This is the kind of humility recommended by Sirach. This is the kind of humility possessed by the disadvantaged pictured in the gospel.

As we have received from the bounty of God, so we are called to give to others. Only those who have received with a humble spirit can give with the generosity of God, for they know that they do not deserve God's goodness and they do not require anything in return.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29

A reading from the prophet Sirach

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business,  
and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.  
The greater you are, the more you should behave  
humbly,  
and then you will find favour with the Lord;  
for great though the power of the Lord is,  
he accepts the homage of the humble.  
There is no cure for the proud man's malady,  
since an evil growth has taken root in him.  
The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables,  
an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 67:4-7, 10-11. R. v.11

**(R.)** *God, in your goodness,  
you have made a home for the poor.*

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,  
they shall exult and dance for joy.  
O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;  
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. **(R.)**
2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,  
such is God in his holy place.  
God gives the lonely a home to live in;  
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. **(R.)**
3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain:  
when your people were starved you gave them  
new life.  
It was there that your people found a home,  
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor.  
**(R.)**

### Second Reading

Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

What you have come to is nothing known to the  
senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total  
darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the  
great voice speaking which made everyone that heard  
it beg that no more should be said to them. But what  
you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the  
living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions  
of angels have gathered for the festival, with the  
whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son'  
and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God  
himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with  
spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and  
to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

### Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 11:29

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Take my yoke upon you;  
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.  
**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

Luke 14:1, 7-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke




On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the  
house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they  
watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable,  
because he had noticed how they picked the places of  
honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a  
wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of  
honour. A more distinguished person than you may  
have been invited, and the person who invited you  
both may come and say, "Give up your place to this  
man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would  
have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are  
a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit  
there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My  
friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with  
you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone  
who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who  
humbles himself will be exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a  
dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or  
rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by  
inviting you in return. No; when you have a party,  
invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that  
they cannot pay you back means that you are  
fortunate, because repayment will be made to you  
when the virtuous rise again.'

## PRAYERS OF INTENTION

**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, Salvatore & Santa  
Sutera, Kevin Teasdale, Richard Vaughan, Deanne Warren  
and Cathy Williams.

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<p><b>OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 7th September at 9:00am:</b> (C) Star of the Sea School (L) Star of the Sea School (SM) Jo Ballard, Carmel Rice (W) Michael &amp; Barbara Hardy.</p> <p><b>QUEENSCLIFF: Sunday 7th September at 11:00am:</b> (C) Tony Frizza (L) Roger Furphy (SM) Adrian Scott (W) Maureen Baglieri.</p> <p><b>COUNTERS: Tuesday 2nd September at 10:00am:</b> Remo &amp; Naomi Bianco.</p>	<p>Dear Friends,</p> <p>Last week, I attended the annual clergy conference along with around 150 priests and bishops from the Archdiocese of Melbourne, where we reflected on the theme <i>‘Pilgrims of Hope’</i> as we celebrate this Jubilee Year of Hope 2025.</p> <p>What does it mean to be hopeful amidst societal unrest, economic challenges, or personal suffering? Time and again, the answer points us back to Christ. Our hope is not naïve or unfounded—it is a deep trust in the enduring faithfulness of God. And it is this hope that the Church is called to embody and proclaim.</p>
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<p><b>THE PEACE CAMINO—UPDATE!</b> What was once a 3-day Camino will now, due to complex logistics, be a one-day Camino.</p> <p><b>WHEN:</b> Sunday 9th November.</p> <p><b>TIME:</b> Sunday afternoon, time to be confirmed.</p> <p><b>WHERE:</b> Starting from Mannerim Memorial Indigenous Garden/Monument (where the rail trail crosses Swan Bay Road).</p> <p><b>DISTANCE:</b> 10 kilometres.</p> <p><b>WHO:</b> For all people of faith and hope.</p> <p><b>WHY:</b> to give meaning to the Year of Jubilee and to give witness that ordinary people prayerfully desire to walk for peace and hope, not war and waste.</p> <p><b>WHY HERE:</b> Queenscliff Fort commanded to fire the first shot to be from Point Nepean. Lest We Forget.</p> <p><b>JUBILEE AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH</b> During Jubilee Year Holy Trinity Church, Queenscliff, will be open for private/group prayer during the week: <b>Tuesdays to Fridays and Sundays from 9am to 3pm.</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow 9:15am Mass until 11:00am on Wednesdays and Fridays.</p> <p><b>CHILDREN RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST</b> Together we pray for the Our Lady Star of the Sea School children receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist around this time; this weekend and the following two weekends, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Ocean Grove. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.</p> <p><b>HOSPITALITY SUNDAY</b> Taking place on Sunday, 7th September, following 9:00am Mass (including children’s liturgy) at Ocean Grove and 11:00am Mass at Queenscliff. All welcome!</p>	<p>Hope is a theological virtue—a gift from God and a guiding light in our lives today. It is not simply optimism or wishful thinking, but is deeply rooted in the Paschal Mystery: the death and resurrection of Christ. In the face of suffering and uncertainty, Christian hope reminds us that God is always bringing forth new life.</p> <p>Let us continue our journey as a people of hope, firmly grounded in faith and confident in God’s enduring love. We are deeply grateful that Archbishop Peter is able to visit our parish and join us in celebrating the Jubilee Year next Sunday.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">- Fr Linh Pham</p> <p><b>JUBILEE MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP PETER</b> You are warmly invited to a very special occasion at Holy Trinity Church as we welcome Archbishop Peter to our parish, in celebration of the Jubilee Year of Hope 2025. This Mass will also be a wonderful opportunity to honour and celebrate Father’s Day together as a community.</p> <div data-bbox="884 1294 1366 1424">  <b>Sunday, 7 September 2025</b>   <b>11:00 AM</b>   <b>Holy Trinity Church, Queenscliff</b> </div> <p>Following the Mass, please stay and join us for a friendly cuppa and light refreshments as we give thanks for the fathers, grandfathers, and father figures in our lives.</p> <p><b>TRINITY SINGERS REHEARSAL</b> An important event in Holy Trinity church occurs on 7th September. Archbishop Peter Comensoli is concelebrating 11am Mass at Holy Trinity Church, Queenscliff. This calls for gathering all the Trinity Singers for a practice. Two dates to choose:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sunday 31st August after 11:00am Mass (finish 1:00pm), and/or</li> <li>2. Saturday 6th September at 4:00pm (finish 5:00pm).</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;">- Von Philp</p> <p><b>LADIES SOCIAL GROUP</b> Lunch on Wednesday 3rd September at 12-noon at Ming Terrace (6/62 The Terrace, Ocean Grove—upstairs at the beginning of the main street). To book, please call or text Julie 0411578285. Everyone is welcome.</p>

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

### ROSE ARCH FOR OUR LADY'S GARDEN, OCEAN GROVE

Two beautiful climbing roses have been donated for the garden of Our Lady Star of the Sea on the north side of the church. This is a prominent spot that can be seen from all seats within the church. We would like to feature these roses over a garden arch and if anyone is able to donate one, we would be extremely grateful. For further details please contact Margit 0432 993 055.

### ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN 2025

Thank you to everyone who has so generously already made a pledge or gift to the 2025 Archbishop's Campaign. Every gift, large or small, is greatly appreciated! If you are yet to make a gift, you can still do so. This campaign supports the vital ministries of the Church in our Archdiocese. Campaign envelopes with tear-off pledge cards are still available in the church. You can also make a gift online at [melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign](http://melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign). I encourage you to please give generously to the Campaign.

## LOCAL EVENTS

### ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION ON THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate. The online session will be held on Tuesday 24th September 2025 from 7:00-8:00pm. Location: via Zoom. Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattinson: [kevin.pattinson@cam.org.au](mailto:kevin.pattinson@cam.org.au). In the week before the session, the Zoom link will be sent to those who have expressed interest.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Sometimes it takes only one act of kindness  
and caring to change a person's life.

- Jackie Chan.

## 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:

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Visit our website for all information:

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### 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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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.