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

OUR LADY STAR OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, THE SEA Ocean Grove

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



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, King of the Universe, YR C

Sunday 23rd November 2025

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 Sunday: 9:00am — OCEAN GROVE 11:00am — QUEENSCLIFF Sunday:

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday: 9:15am — Ocean Grove 9:15am — Queenscliff Wednesday: 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 Dear Friends,

Each summer, our parish is blessed to welcome many visitors to our churches, and we're delighted to have you with us. We would like to invite you to become more involved in our parish community—we'd love to hear from you! Please feel free to speak with Fr. Linh after Mass, speak with one of our Parish Pastoral Council members, or email us at queenscliff@cam.org.au. There are many ways you can share your gifts—reading at Mass, offering hospitality, supporting parish activities, and more. We look forward to welcoming you into our community life.

This weekend, as we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King of the Universe and bring our liturgical year to a close, we are invited to reflect with gratitude on the kind of service Christ calls us to. The readings for this feast invite us to root our own service in Christ's example, allowing humility, compassion, and care to shape all that we do. From the cross, Jesus reveals His kingship in His most compassionate act by offering forgiveness and hope to the repentant thief, 'I promise you, he said, today you will be with me in paradise,' (Luke 23: 43).

As we begin forming the steering committee, this is an opportunity for renewal in our parish, a chance for fresh and open hearts to step forward and share their gifts. I am inviting two members from each community to join this team. If you feel a quiet stirring to serve, I encourage you to bring it prayerfully before the Lord as you discern whether to offer your interest. Let us hold before us the example of Christ the King: listening with care, supporting one another with love, and trusting that God can work through each of us, often most beautifully in our moments of weakness.

Scripture shows that God often chooses leaders who feel unprepared. Moses led God's people for forty years with hesitation, frustration, and moments of doubt. Peter stumbled many times before becoming the rock of the Church. Their leadership was effective not because they were perfect, but because God worked through their willingness and openness.

Community service, at its heart, is a shared journey where we learn to listen and speak with respect. When we take the time to truly listen, we create space for others to share their joys, concerns, and gifts. True peace emerges when the turmoil within is still.

Fr Linh

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

2 Samuel 5:1-3

A reading from the second book of Samuel

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel." So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 121: 1-5. R. see v.2

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

- I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'

 And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)
- 2. Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact.
 It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. (R.)
- 3. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name.

 There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. (R.)

Second Reading Colossians 1:12-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation. for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible. Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead. so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him

and all things to be reconciled through him and for him.

everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace

by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 11:9. 10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father:

blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Luke 23:35-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

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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.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2026

Available at each church (foyer). Cost is \$11.00 each.

CHANGE TO PARISH BULLETIN & NEWS DISTRIBUTION

Within the next several weeks, the parish office will be changing their process for emailing bulletins and news each week. If you haven't already done so, please subscribe to the parish bulletin via: **Subscription**. Watch this space!

PRAYERS OF INTENTION

Recently Deceased: June Savage.

Anniversaries 23rd November to 29th November:

Maris Williams and Kaye Nelson.

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, Peter Harrington, Jeanette Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Melissa Keogh, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Leahy, Margaret Lomas, Michelle Mahoney, Belinda Monterosso, Caryn Murphy, Helen Pearce, Mavourneen Ray, Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Salvatore & Santa Sutera, Kevin Teasdale, Richard Vaughan, Deanne Warren and Cathy Williams.

ROSTERS

OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 30th November at 9:00am:

(C) Anthony Dowling (L) Majella O'Connor (SM) David O'Connor, Dan O'Meara (W) Judy Considine, Elizabeth Curtain.

QUEENSCLIFF: Sunday 30th November at 11:00am:

(C) Ann-Maree Furphy (L) Roger Furphy (SM) Ann-Maree Furphy (W) Welcomer Required.

COUNTERS: Tuesday 25th November at 10:00am:

Des Harris and David Millie.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Tuesday 25th November

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

Wednesday 26th November

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

7:00pm RCIA gathering in the Parish Hall, Queenscliff

Thursday 27th November

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

Friday 28th November

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

Saturday 29th November

11:00am Polish Mass for Pilgrims at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

5:00pm Vigil Mass at Holy Family, Barwon Heads

Sunday 30th November

9:00am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove 11:00am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PASTORAL CARE AND HOLY COMMUNION AT TCL HOMESTEAD

Each Monday, two volunteers attend, take Holy Communion to the Catholic residents between 10:15am & 12:00pm. Currently, we have six volunteers, and two, or more would be greatly appreciated, to assist in this valuable pastoral care. For further information, please contact: Judy Considine: 0417 347 553, Jo Ballard: 0421 136 353, or Sue Condon: 0417 551 257.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026

Enrolments for the parish's 2026 Sacramental Program are now open. This program is for children of the parish who attend local non-Catholic schools. All information and enrolment form are found on the parish website: <u>Sacramental Program for School-Aged Children (RCIC) – Holy Trinity Parish Queenscliff</u>. Enrolments close 15th December 2025.

WORKING BEE AT OCEAN GROVE CHURCH

Wednesday 26 November at 10.30 am. General cleaning of all areas of the church prior to Sunday 7 December 3pm, for the guest presentation, A Journey of Hope, by Rev Dr Max Vodola, and the upcoming of Advent and Christmas Masses. Volunteers from all 3 church communities will be appreciated.

COMPOST BIN FOR OCEAN GROVE

Wanted: a revolving compost bin at Ocean Grove. If a parishioner has one in their back yard and would like to get rid of it, the garden group could use it. Phone 0428 794 655 and a pick up will be organized. Many thanks, John Calnin.

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

The Safeguarding Committee met during the week to review our compliance with safeguarding procedures. We would like to thank all our volunteers who have completed the Essentials Training (online or in person), signed the Code of Conduct, and renewed their WWCC. If you have been away during the last few months or haven't completed the requirements and are now back home, please check that your WWCC is still up to date and complete the Essentials Training online via website: Login. If you need any assistance, please contact the parish office. A member of our safeguarding team will reach out and help you with the training over the next couple of weeks.

A Journey of Hope: Vatican II and the Path of Synodality

An Afternoon of Faith, Fellowship, and Reflection Sunday, 7 December 2025 at 3:00 PM Our Lady Star of the sea, Ocean Grove

Thank you to our Liturgy Committee, who took the initiative to gather last Wednesday to prepare the hospitality for 7th December, when we will welcome our guest speaker and express our appreciation to our parish volunteers. I would encourage you to bring along your family members or friends to participate in the guest presentation and the accompanying hospitality, please inform a member of the Parish Pastoral Council, email the parish office, or record your name on the sheet provided in the church foyer for catering purposes.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

SCAM ALERT

In recent weeks, several parishioners have received fraudulent messages pretending to be from me, such as: "Hi [Name], are you free at the moment? Currently in a meeting, can't call but pretty good with text if that works. I need you for a quick but urgent task. Rev. Linh Pham." If you respond to the text, the scammer will then ask you to purchase gift cards. Please know that these messages do not come from me. If you receive such a text or email, report it as a scam and delete it immediately.

MESSAGE STICK

In the spirit of openness, I would like to share something especially with the Ocean Grove community. Our parish has a Message Stick, thanks to the efforts of some parishioners in recent years. A Message Stick promotes recognition of the contributions of Indigenous people to our Catholic Church and serves as a symbol of welcome and inclusion. After thoughtful discussion at the Parish Pastoral Council meeting on 7 October, it was suggested that we display our Message Stick permanently on the wall of Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in Ocean Grove, possibly above the Confessional area. I warmly welcome your thoughts and reflections on this matter. Next weekend, there will be a simple vote after Mass—Yes or No. This vote is for the Ocean Grove community only.

FAITH DEVELOPMENT GROUP: ADVENT NEWS

The Advent groups discussion will start this Tuesday, 25th November. There will be two groups:

- · one morning session in Barwon Heads,
- and one evening group in Ocean Grove.

Please contact either:

- Sandra Gould by email at <u>sandra@salmandra.com</u> or by phone on 0418 537 941, or
- Kerin Fox by email at foxeskb@gmail.com or by phone on 0407 519 585.

ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN 2025—MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE

We are delighted to share the wonderful success of the Archbishop's Campaign and extend our heartfelt thanks for your generosity and support. Together, parishes across the Archdiocese have raised over \$1.1 million, including \$3,035.60 contributed by Holy Trinity Parish, Queenscliff. These funds will strengthen key mission areas across our Archdiocese, including the Priests Retirement Foundation, the John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission, Corpus Christi College, Catholic Theological College, and the Archbishop's Evangelisation Initiatives. Thank you for your commitment to this important mission and for expressing your faith through your generous response.

ACYF LAUNCH WYD CROSS & PILGRIMAGE WALK

Join us at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 30 November as we welcome over 6,000 young pilgrims to Melbourne. Let us come together to share in their joy and offer a warm Melbourne welcome. Program:

- 1:30pm—Melbourne Catholic Festa
- 2:30pm—Reception of the WYD Cross and Icom
- 3:00pm—Pilgrimage Walk (5km to MCEC—ticketed pilgrims only; 3km return option available)

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/



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Contact Charlie on 0413 609 170

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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