

HOLY TRINITY PARISH QUEENSLIFF

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,
QUEENSLIFF**
**A PLACE OF PILGRIMAGE
FOR JUBILEE
YEAR 2025**



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR A

Sunday 30th 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
Sunday : 11:00am — QUEENSLIFF

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

Dear Friends,

I am grateful for the hope so many parishioners have expressed about the future, particularly as we begin forming our Parish Steering Group to guide the development of our pastoral strategy, and for their eagerness to engage in this process.

As a parish community, we have a shared responsibility to ensure that our parish life is grounded in transparency, accountability, and compliance with Archdiocesan requirements and civil obligations. These principles go beyond administrative duties; they reflect our commitment to being faithful and trustworthy stewards of God's gifts.

As we are aware, one of the ongoing challenges we face is keeping the Church relevant in addressing contemporary issues. This includes acknowledging the loss of trust resulting from past scandals and the profound pain they have caused for victims and their families.

There are other real concerns as well, including the decline in youth participation and the growing disconnect between faith education and parish life. Many young families today feel less connected to their parish communities.

Yet even amid these challenges, signs of hope shine through. I have come to see that our parish is truly blessed, not only with the natural beauty of the Bellarine coastline but also with the remarkable skill, talent, and generosity of our people.

I hope that our upcoming pastoral strategy, together with our ongoing initiatives, activities, and ministries, will continue to reflect the heart of our faith communities and remain vital expressions of our commitment to worship, hospitality, and outreach. These efforts aim to strengthen our connections and collaboration and to cultivate a welcoming atmosphere where parishioners can deepen their relationships with God and one another.

As we reflect on Jesus' call to stay awake and be ready in today's Gospel. Our upcoming pastoral strategy will offer every parishioner the opportunity to share their hopes and contribute to shaping our future. My hope is that this process keeps us engaged, united, and committed to building vibrant faith communities.

As we look to the future, let us pray that, together, we may renew and revitalize parish life as a vibrant faith community. By embracing transparency, accountability, and compliance, we can meet the challenges ahead with confidence and hope. Together, we continue to build a parish that is safe, responsible, and deserving of the trust placed in us.

Fr Linh

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come
the mountain of the Temple of the Lord
shall tower above the mountains
and be lifted higher than the hills.
All the nations will stream to it,
peoples without number will come to it; and they will say:

‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the Temple of the God of Jacob
that he may teach us his ways
so that we may walk in his paths;
since the Law will go out from Zion,
and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.’

He will wield authority over the nations
and adjudicate between many peoples;
these will hammer their swords into ploughshares,
their spears into sickles.

Nation will not lift sword against nation,
there will be no more training for war.

O House of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 121:1-2. 4-5. 6-9. R. see v.1.

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

1. 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. It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.
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.)**
3. For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
‘Peace be to your homes!
May peace reign in your walls,
in your palaces, peace!’ **(R.)**
4. For love of my brethren and friends
I say: ‘Peace upon you!’
For love of the house of the Lord
I will ask for your good. **(R.)**

Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

You know ‘the time’ has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Psalm 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 24:37-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘As it was in Noah’s day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

‘So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

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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.

PRAYERS OF INTENTION

Recently Deceased:

Elsie Bernadine (Bernie) Carty and Fr Leonard Testa (OFM Conv).

Anniversaries 30th November to 6th December:

Alix Hector, Matthew McCormack and Maureen Richards.

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 Faigneux, 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 Sutura, Kevin Teasdale, Richard Vaughan, Deanne Warren and Cathy Williams.

ROSTERS

OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 7th December at 9:00am:

(C) Frank Rice (L) Brenda Bissinella (SM) Marg Lucas, Carmel Rice (W) Maureen Earls, Michael Kirkman.

QUEENSCLIFF: Sunday 7th December at 11:00am:

(C) Sam Sammut (L) Maria Sammut (SM) Maria Sammut (W) Sam Caruana.

COUNTERS: Tuesday 2nd December at 10:00am:

Fay Neville and Maureen Baglieri.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Tuesday 2nd December

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

Wednesday 3rd December

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

Thursday 4th December

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

Friday 5th December

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

Saturday 6th December

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

Sunday 7th December

9:00am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

11:00am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

3:00pm An Afternoon of Faith, Fellowship, and Reflection with Rev Dr Max Vodola at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

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!

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026

Enrolments for the parish's 2026 Sacramental Program are open; for children of the parish who attend local non-Catholic schools. All information and enrolment form are found on the parish website: [Sacramental Program for School-Aged Children \(RCIC\) – Holy Trinity Parish Queenscliff](#). Enrolments close 15th December 2025.

LADIES SOCIAL GROUP

Ladies lunch is at the Barwon Heads Hotel (1 Bridge Street, Barwon Heads) on Wednesday December 3, at 12-noon. RSVP to Sandra on 0423 047 862. All ladies in the parish most welcome.

RCIA 2025–2026

Our six candidates will be formally welcomed through the Rite of Acceptance at the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, 30 November 2025, at Holy Trinity Church.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Taking place on Sunday, 7th December, following 11:00am Mass at Queenscliff. All welcome!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT OCEAN GROVE

Taking place on Sunday, 7th December during Mass at Ocean Grove.

CONGRATULATIONS

Clarel and Florise Duhau of Ocean Grove/Wallington are celebrating their 66th Wedding Anniversary on the 4th December. Warm wishes and blessings to you on your marriage milestone. Keep Clarel and Florise in your prayers.

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

FAITH DEVELOPMENT GROUP: ADVENT NEWS

The Advent groups discussion every Tuesday during Advent. 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 sandra@salmandra.com or by phone on 0418 537 941, or
- Kerin Fox by email at foxeskb@gmail.com or by phone on 0407 519 585.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

VENERABLE MARY OF THE SACRED HEART GLOWREY



Joyous news this week as Pope Leo XIV announced his recognition of heroic virtues for Dr Sr Mary Glowrey JMJ - now known as **Venerable Mary of the Sacred Heart Glowrey**:
<https://melbournecatholic.org/maryglowrey>.

May Venerable Mary of the Sacred Heart help us to walk more closely with Christ, to recognise Him in every person, and to live lives of generous service. Venerable Mary of the

Sacred Heart Glowrey, pray for us.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS PARISH EVENTS

1. Sunday, December 7

Guest Speaker at 3:00pm, followed by refreshments and afternoon tea.

Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

2. Mass of Anointing of the Sick

- Saturday, December 13 – 5:00pm at Barwon Heads
- Sunday, December 14 – 9:00am at Ocean Grove
- Sunday, December 14 – 11:00am at Queenscliff

3. Second Rite of Reconciliation

Tuesday, December 16 – 7:00pm

Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

4. Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve

- 4:00pm – Barwon Heads
- 6:00pm – Ocean Grove
- 8:00pm – Queenscliff

Christmas Day

- 9:00am – Ocean Grove
- 11:00am – Queenscliff

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS EVENTS

- Carols in the Park: Sunday 14th December at Ocean Grove Park. Carols being at 7:00pm. Entry by cash donation for 'Feed Me Bellarine'. Sausage sizzle and hot & cold drinks available.
- 9 Lessons and Christmas Carols—Uniting Church, Queenscliff: Sunday 21st December at 7:00pm.
- Christmas Carols—Uniting Church, Barwon Heads: Sunday 21st December at 7:00pm.

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/

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 13th December 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 for catering and seating purposes. All welcome.



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

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or email 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 by 1:00pm on Thursdays to have your loved one(s) remembered in the weekly