

HOLY TRINITY PARISH QUEENSCLIFF

HOLY TRINITY PARISH INCORPORATING THE MASS CENTRES AND COMMUNITIES OF



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

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

**HOLY TRINITY
CHURCH**
34 Stevens Street
Queenscliff

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

SUNDAY 10TH MAY 2026

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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 other 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

"For it was you who
created my being,
knit me together in
my mother's womb.
I thank you for the
wonder of my being,
for the wonders of all
your creation."

Psalm 139 (138):13-14



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We live in hope because we have been blessed with the opportunity of participating in the exaltation of Jesus. This hope is based on promises: the promise that we will not be left orphaned when Jesus returns to his Father; the promise that we will be comforted by the Spirit whom Jesus will send. It is trust in God that enables us to live in this world as if the promises have already been fulfilled, for in fact, it is precisely such living that fulfils them.

We have not celebrated the Ascension, and yet all three readings speak of the Spirit. The same Spirit, who quickened the resurrected life of Jesus, enlivens us. This Spirit strengthens, comforts, guides and inspires us. Life in the Spirit requires that we conform our lives to the commandments of God, not in a legalistic or constraining way but out of love. The love that comes to us through the Spirit will then overflow into the lives of others, and we will be agents of God's love in the world.

The Spirit given by Christ is mediated through the laying on of hands. This still happens in our day in the gentle touch of friends, in the loving touch of parents, in the healing touch of those who cure both the body and the spirit. The liturgical year is preparing us for the Ascension of Jesus into heaven, and Jesus is preparing us for life in the Spirit here on earth. This is the reason for our hope.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading *Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8. 14-17*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. see v.1*

(R.) *Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.*

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! **(R.)**
2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. **(R.)**
3. He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. **(R.)**
4. Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. **(R.)**

Second Reading *1 Peter 3:15-18*

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience,

so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

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 14:15-21*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me
you will keep my commandments.
I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate
to be with you for ever,
that Spirit of truth
whom the world can never receive
since it neither sees nor knows him;
but you know him,
because he is with you, he is in you.
I will not leave you orphans;
I will come back to you.
In a short time the world will no longer see me;
but you will see me,
because I live and you will live.
On that day
you will understand that I am in my Father
and you in me and I in you.
Anybody who receives my commandments
and keeps them
will be one who loves me;
and anybody who loves me
will be loved by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

PRAYERS OF INTENTION

Recently Deceased: John Randall

Anniversaries 10th May to 16th May: Denise Grigg, Harold Elliott, Simon Millie, Russell Healy, Emidia Buhagiar, Arthur Richards, Wayne Hopley and Tony Micallef.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Naomi Bianco, Frances Blaine, 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, Mary Grundy, Justin Hanan, Stephen Hanan, Peter Harrington, Jeanette Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Melissa Keogh, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Leahy, Margaret Lomas, Lou Mckenna, Belinda Monterosso, Helen Pearce, Ray Quinlan, Mavourneen Ray, Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Salvatore & Santa Sutura, Kevin Teasdale, Richard Vaughan, Deanne Warren

ROSTERS

OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 17th May at 9:00am:

(C) Monica Meagher
(L) Frank Rice
(SM) Marg Lucas, Carmel Rice
(W) Jo Ballard, Diane Gent

QUEENSCLIFF: Sunday 17th May at 11:00am:

(C) Michael Scott
(L) Tony Frizza
(SM) Maria Sammut
(W) Trish Frizza

COUNTERS: Tuesday 12th May at 11:00am:

Dan Donovan and Des Harris.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 11th May

10:00am Funeral Mass for the Late John Randall

Tuesday 12th May

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
10:00am Reconciliation Services at Our Lady Star of the Sea School
4:00pm Sacramental Program Classes at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove, followed by Reconciliation Service

Wednesday 13th May

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff with St Aloysius Years 3/4 students attending
4:00pm Sacramental Program Classes at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Thursday 14th May

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
11:00am Mass with anointing at Ryman Deborah Cheetham Retirement Village, Ocean Grove

Friday 15th May

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 16th May

11:00am Baptism Service at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff
5:00pm Vigil Mass at Holy Family, Barwon Heads

Sunday 17th May

9:00am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
11:00am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff
12:30pm Baptism Service at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

PARISH AND LOCAL NEWS & EVENTS



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

As we celebrate Mother's Day this weekend, we hold in our prayers all mothers and those who have been mother figures in our lives.

We give thanks for the gift of life they have shared, and for their love, sacrifice, patience, and understanding. May this special time bring them joy, peace, and a deep sense of appreciation for all they have given. May they always be honoured with gratitude and love.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Next Sunday, 17 May, the children in our sacramental program will receive their First Holy Communion at the 9:00am Mass in Ocean Grove. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers, and warmly welcome them as they join our Sunday Eucharist.

CATHOLIC CARE SUNDAY APPEAL: Thank You

Last weekend the CatholicCare Appeal raised \$475.50. Thank you for your generous support. Donations can still be made online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or by calling (03) 9967 2515.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY MEETING

The next meeting of the SVDP Conference will take place on Thursday 14th May after 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove. New members are most welcome to attend.

NATIONAL COUNT OF ATTENDANCE MASS MAY 2026

The 6th National Count of Attendance will take place over the **four weekends May:**

- Weekend 1: 2-3 May, count number of attendees only
- Weekend 2: 9-10 May, count number of attendees only
- Weekend 3: 16-17 May, count number of attendees + count males & females
- Weekend 4: 23-24 May, count number of attendees + count age groups

VOCATIONS—SEMINARY ENQUIRY DAY

Archbishop Peter invites any young men from our parish who may be discerning a vocation to the priesthood (over the age of 18) to the Seminary Enquiry Day on Saturday, 23 May 2026 at Corpus Christi College. Please RSVP by Tuesday 19 May to the vocations office: vocations@cam.org.au. Invitations with full details are available in church narthex.

MESSAGES FROM CARITAS AUSTRALIA

Pope Leo XIV has dedicated his prayer intention for the month of May to one of humanity's most persistent challenges: hunger.

In a message shared via the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network, Pope Leo urges Catholics worldwide to address food insecurity through prayer and action. Speaking from Vatican City, he highlights the stark contrast between widespread hunger—affecting over 300 million people—and the waste of more than 1 billion tons of food annually. The Pope calls for a shift toward solidarity, encouraging practical steps such as food banks, simpler living, and a shared responsibility to ensure food is accessible to all.

source: *Melbourne Catholic*

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

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)

The RCIA journey is an opportunity to learn about the Catholic faith, ask questions, and grow in relationship with God within a supportive parish community. If you or someone you know is searching for deeper meaning in life, or is interested in becoming Catholic, you are warmly encouraged contact the parish office via 5258 673 or queenscliff@cam.org.au.

SYNOD CORNER



Is synodality slow?

Synodality may seem slower than top-down decision-making, but it often leads to deeper, more lasting renewal. What is discerned together is more likely to be embraced together.

Synodality and the joy

When people are invited to participate meaningfully, joy increases. A synodal Church is not weighed down by bureaucracy but energised by shared mission.

Synodality and the Eucharist

The Eucharist is the heart of synodality. Around one table, many are gathered as one Body. What we celebrate sacramentally must shape how we live communally.

Website: <https://melbournecatholic.org/synod2026>.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

JOY is the holy fire that keeps our purpose warm and our intelligence aglow.

- Hellen Keller



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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