

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

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

SUNDAY 26TH JULY 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



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REFLECTION

Two themes seem to weave through the readings for this Sunday: treasure and delight. The treasure is the extraordinary gift that comes from God; the delight is the joy that we experience when we realise that the treasure is ours. A third theme, which is found in the first reading, picks up a theme that we have considered several times during this period of Ordinary Time, namely, service of others.

The treasure is the kingdom of heaven. It is the prize that gives meaning to the present, and its fullest delight draws us into the future. The reign of God is the fulfilment of our deepest desires and our fondest hopes. Nothing in the world can compare with it, and that is why we are willing to sacrifice everything to attain it. The treasure that we find is really a gift that is given. We need not work to attain the kingdom, nor can we earn it in any way. It is given to us by God. All we have to do is accept it.

Solomon chose to be of service to others. In this he is a model for disciples to follow. We have discovered the treasure in the field; we have found the pearl of great price. What we have been given, we must now give to others. In giving we will lose nothing. In fact, we gain an abundance of blessings. All things work for good, and God is glorified in all. Such is the character of the kingdom of God.

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We acknowledge the Wadawurrung people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which our three churches stand

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

1 Kings 3:5.7-12

A reading from the first book of the Kings

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 118:57. 72. 76-77. 127-130.
R. v1.97

(R.) Lord, I love your commands.

1. My part, I have resolved, O Lord,
is to obey your word.
The law from your mouth means more to me
than silver and gold. **(R.)**
2. Let your love be ready to console me
by your promise to your servant.
Let your love come to me and I shall live
for your law is my delight. **(R.)**
3. That is why I love your commands
more than finest gold.
That is why I rule my life by your precepts:
I hate false ways. **(R.)**
4. Your will is wonderful indeed;
therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives light
and teaches the simple. **(R.)**

Second Reading

Romans 8: 28-30

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory .

Gospel Acclamation

See Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 13:44-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it. 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. 'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

PRAYERS OF INTENTION

Anniversaries 26th July to 1st August: Tasman Blizzard, Eugene Duhau and Alan Loney.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Naomi Bianco, Frances Blaine, Mary Blonk, Peter Bourke, Helen Carter, Sam Caruana, Sue Casey, Debra Defina, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, Nell Faigneux, 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, Belinda Monterosso, Helen Pearce, Ray Quinlan, Mavourneen Ray, Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Kevin Teasdale, Deanne Warren, Vera Wasiak and Cathy Williams.

ROSTERS

OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 2nd August at 9:00am:

(C) Gerry Rainey
(L) Brenda Bissinella
(SM) Marg Lucas, Carmel Rice
(W) Catherine Hayes, Jo Ballard

QUEENSCLIFF: Sunday 2nd August at 11:00am:

(C) Adrian Redfern
(L) Shirley Hurley
(SM) Terry Philp
(W) Rosemary Vaughan

COUNTERS: Tuesday 28th July at 11:00am:

Remo & Naomi Bianco.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Tuesday 28th July

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
11:00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at Sea View Manor, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 29th July

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 30th July

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove, with Our Lady Star of the Sea Year 4 students attending

Friday 31st July

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 1st August

11:00am Alpha Program at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
5:00pm Vigil Mass at Holy Family, Barwon Heads

Sunday 2nd August

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

PARISH & LOCAL NEWS & EVENTS

PARISH LIFE UPDATE

During the week, each ministry group coordinator received an email from Angela inviting you to write a brief description of your ministry and its activities. Please take some time to reflect on your ministry and send a short-written summary to Angela. Your contribution will be shared as part of our Parish Gathering Day on 30 August at 3:00pm.

On Saturday, 25 July, our parish Alpha group participated in a Day Away Retreat at Holy Spirit Church, Manifold Heights. Once again, I extend my thanks to our Alpha leadership and hospitality teams for their thoughtful planning, meaningful contributions to the retreat program, and generous hospitality throughout the day.

On the same day, representatives from our parish attended the Melbourne Synod consultation with the Northern Region parishes in Werribee. Over the coming weeks, this same model of consultation will take place within our parish communities.

These gatherings will provide each of us with an opportunity to share our hopes, insights, and aspirations for the future of the Church in Melbourne, including the life and mission of our own parish community. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

BLOKES COFFEE AND TOAST - MEN'S GROUP

Blokes Coffee and Toast next gathering will be held on Saturday 1st August from 8:00–9:30 am, in the Parish Hall in Queenscliff. All are warmly invited to join us for fellowship, coffee, toast, and conversation.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Taking place on Sunday 2nd August following 9:00am Mass (including children's liturgy) at Ocean Grove and 11:00am Mass at Queenscliff. All welcome!

RCIA PROGRAM 2026–2027

The RCIA Program for 2026–2027 will begin with the first Inquiry and Information Evening on **Wednesday, 26 August 2026**, at **7:00 pm** in the Parish Hall, 34 Stevens Street, Queenscliff. The RCIA journey is an opportunity to learn about the Catholic faith, ask questions, and grow in your relationship with God within a supportive parish community. If you, or someone you know, are searching for a deeper meaning in life or are interested in becoming Catholic, you are warmly encouraged to attend. For more information, please contact the Parish Office on 5258 1673 or email queenscliff@cam.org.au.

CATHOLIC MISSION ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you for donating to Catholic Mission's annual Propagation of the Faith appeal last weekend. The parish raised \$947.40.

LOCAL NEWS & EVENTS

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI MUSICAL SHOWCASE

COG theatre group is preparing a musical showcase to commemorate the year of St Francis of Assisi so we are looking for those who'd like to use their skills to contribute or are simply curious, eager or interested to help front or backstage. Training is provided so beginners are welcome. All are welcome to join in. We are holding an orientation for this musical showcase on Sunday 26 of July. Contact for further information: cogtheatregroup@gmail.com or 0413 398 528.

Or book for further information: <https://www.trybooking.com/DNZZS>.

VOCATIONS EXPO: WE ARE CALLED SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST

The Melbourne Vocations Office and ACU Campus Ministry are hosting a Vocations Expo on Saturday 1 August 2026. The event is honoured to welcome Archbishop Peter Comensoli as their keynote speaker, alongside speakers representing Catholic Religious Orders, the Diocesan Priesthood, and married life.

Saturday 1st August, 9am to 1pm

Greg Craven Centre (Level 7, St Teresa of Kolkata Building, ACU Melbourne)

The event is open to all ages; however, attendees under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. The event is free to attend, but registrations are required. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/DNKHK.

SYNOD CORNER



Synodality is about relationship

At its heart, synodality is relational—walking with God and with one another.

Synodality and witness

A Church that walks together gives a powerful witness to the world.

Synodality and patience

God's timing is often slower than ours, but always wiser.

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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Allow your soul the freedom to sing,
dance, praise and love.

- St Therese

PARISH & LOCAL NEWS & EVENTS

FAITH AND LIGHT GEELONG

Christian community for people with a disability, family and friends. All welcome next Tuesday July 28th for our gathering at St. Mary's, Geelong (Hibernian Hall) from 1.30 to 4.30pm. Share news, Gospel, prayer, music, fun, afternoon tea. RSVP essential by 27th July to Tricia on 0414 672 267.

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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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 bulletin.