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St. Mary's Maffra [Newry & Dargo]

St. Michael's Heyfield-Cowwarr

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4th Sunday of Easter –Good Shepherd Sunday - Year C – 11th May, 2025

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WEEKEND MASSES: Heyfield

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

1st & 3rd Sunday Cowwarr: 11.00am

WEEKEND MASSES: Maffra

Sunday: 9.00am

2nd & 4th Sunday - Newry: 11.00am

5th Sunday – Dargo : 12.Noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

HEYFIELD

Tuesday: 9.30am

MAFFRA

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 9.30am

Thursday 5.30pm

EXPOSITION AND RECONCILIATION: Maffra

Wednesday: After 9.30am Mass

DAILY EXPOSITION: Maffra –

Friday, Saturday – 8.20am – 9.20am

followed by Mass

RECONCILIATION:

MAFFRA

Any time by request

HEYFIELD:

Saturday: Before Mass 5.20pm

OR any other time by request

BAPTISMS:

During or After the Vigil / Sunday Mass

MARRIAGE:

At least six months' notice requested.

PARISH SCHOOLS

ST. MICHAEL'S HEYFIELD

Principal: Shane Fyfe

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Trinity Families Appeal – 2025 Jubilee Year

Trinity Families has been a beacon of hope in our region, providing over \$2 million in funding to charities that support families facing hardship. Programs funded include bushfire relief, family counselling, suicide prevention, emergency accommodation, and parenting support. Bishop Greg urges everyone to support this Jubilee year's Trinity Families Appeal, emphasizing that this is our own charitable trust—locally based and dedicated to addressing the unique needs of families in Greater Gippsland. As Pilgrims of Hope, we are called to give generously so that families in need can access vital welfare services. Donation envelopes are available in the church for those requiring receipts for taxation purposes. Let us help spread hope in our community. Please give generously.

Trinity Families Appeal – 2025 Jubilee Year. We will be having a special collection for Trinity Families on 17th and 18th of May. Or you can donate online. On the Diocese of Sale website. <https://www.cdsale.org.au/trinityfamilies>

Today we will be having a special collection for Good Shepherd Sunday. Please give generously for our future priests, the seminarians.

Parish Fund Raiser - A Volunteer is needed in Maffra to take the fund-raising Cans to the collection centre and bring the money raised back to the office if you are able to help out please contact Willie on 0429 140 362. The money raised goes to help with the up keep of the Church every little bit helps. Thank you.

FATHER AWAY: Father Edwin will be away on Retreat from the 12th – 16th May so there will be no morning Masses.

Fr Peter Slater will celebrate his 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination at St Patrick's Church Pakenham at 11am on Thursday 29th May 2025. Parishioners are cordially invited to the Mass to celebrate with him on the day. Please keep Fr Peter in your prayers.

The Jubilee Year has begun on a very positive note, with the diocesan celebrations held at Sale, Warragul, Lakes Entrance, and Koo Wee Rup being very well received by all who attended. Looking ahead, the month of May brings two significant Jubilee events:

- The Jubilee of Workers at St Mary's Parish, Cowes on 25th May 2025*
- The Jubilee of Families and Grandparents at St Agatha's Parish, Cranbourne on 31st May 2025*

In June, we will celebrate:

- The Jubilee of Lay Ministers and Leaders at Trafalgar – 15th June. St Johns Trafalgar. 2.30pm*
- The Jubilee of Clergy at Leongatha, to which all parishioners across the diocese are warmly invited.*

MEETINGS AND EVENTS:-

Parish Luncheon Monday 2nd June 2025, at the Sporting Club Maffra 12noon. **RSVP a Must, please ring 51471867 or 0438471867 for bookings.**

All Welcome!

The evening meals on Monday 2nd June 2025, 6pm at the Sporting Club Maffra.

Contact details 0408057413.

All welcome.

The parish Luncheon and Dinner is a monthly event who meet for fellowship as a parish community, they meet on the 1st Monday of every month. RSVP is essential.

Parish Fund Raiser



CAN AND BOTTLE COLLECTION (NO COFFEE CUPS OR CARDBOARD):

Thanks to all who are bringing cans for collection. Please deposit cans and bottles into the bins. Please don't leave plastic bags next to the bins or bottles and cans in plastic bags. Cans and bottles don't need to be sorted, the machine at the collection point sorts everything including crushed cans. We have collected \$1000 to date. Thank you for supporting.

For sale in our Piety Stall are the St Mary's Church Centenary booklet for \$10, rosary beads, medals, cards and Sacramental gifts available.

Jubilee of Workers – Sunday 25 May at Cowes

The Jubilee of Workers honours the essential contribution of all workers to our society — whether in trades or professions, as employees or volunteers. It also acknowledges St Joseph, the model and patron of all workers. This special Jubilee celebration will be held at St Mary's, Cowes, on Sunday 25th May at 9:00am. All are warmly invited to make a pilgrimage to this celebration as part of their journey through the Jubilee Year – Pilgrims of Hope.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DEAD:- Recently Deceased: Maree Walsh Anniversaries:

Christopher Bates, John Cullen, John Collier, Eileen Edwards, Mina Lawrence, Peter Pusmucans, Dolly Hammond, Rupert & Doris Grumley, Arthur Douglas, Katrina Zmijewski, John McMahon, Margaret (Peg) Keary, Logan Blitner, Catherine Shingles, Annabella Harkin, Jim Merrett, John Machalik.
Fr. Aeneas Hennessy, Mg James (Jim) O'Mara.

Care for the Sick: If you know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would like the Eucharist brought to them, please advise us on 5147 1921.

We pray for ALL who suffer (at present) in body, mind or spirit:

Christine Schoenmaekers, Dick Moulton, Hilding Fjellner, Jim and Cathy Allman, Tim Daly, Gary Goddard, Pat Coloe, Dominic Simm, Margaret Trew, Rose Woodhouse, Linda Allman, Coral Justice, Julie Frew, Peter Smyth, Fr. Brian O'Connor, Lyn McLindin, Ann Martin, and all those who seek our prayers.

WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Any children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Parish Safeguarding Officers. Contact Via the Parish Office: 03 5147 1921.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS
ST. MARY'S: Steve McAnulty
ST. MICHAEL'S: Ed O'Brien

WEEKLY COLLECTION

PRESBYTERY: \$ 1091
ST. MARY'S PG: \$ 185
ST. MICHAEL'S PG: \$ 60

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES/ ADORATION/RECONCILIATION/ ROSARY

Monday 12th May **No Mass.** Maffra. No Adoration. (Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, St Pancras)

Tuesday 13th May Heyfield **No Mass.** Maffra Rosary 2pm (St Maria Mazzarello, Our Lady of Fatima.)

Wed. 14th May: Maffra, **No Mass.** (St. Matthias, Apostle.)

Thursday 15th May: Maffra-, Rosary, 8.20am, **No Mass.**

Friday 16th May: Maffra- Rosary, 8.20am, **No Mass** (St Aloysius Orione)

Saturday 17th May Apr: Maffra- Adoration/ Rosary, 8.20am, **9.30am Mass.** (St. John of Avila)

Anointing Mass 1st Friday of each Month at Stretton Park please check on arrival where the Mass will be celebrated. Mass will start at 11am everyone is welcome. Please come and support our sick and elderly.



ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICES STRETTON PARK/MCDONALD WING:

1st week of the month please consider attending to support the elderly. For details, contact Trish 0428471621

COMBINED CHURCHES: Contact Mary Hartwig 0431408336

MenAlive – MENS FELLOWSHIP AND SCRIPTURE REFLECTION: Contact John Cooney 51489220

DO YOU HAVE A NOTICE FOR THE BULLETIN? Let the office know by Wednesday the week prior. 51471921

MAFFRA PARISH LITURGICAL ROSTER (MAY)

LITURGY:	Sun. 18 th	Office
READER:	Sun. 18 th	Sylvia Neaves
COMMENTATOR:	Sun. 18 th	Margaret Slattery
EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTER	Sun. 18 th	Trish Vardy
COMPUTER:	Sun. 18 th	Mary Hartwig
COLLECTORS:	Sun. 18 th	Roy Shelton and Someone.
ALTAR SERVERS:	Sun. 18 th	N/A
FLORISTS:	Sun. 18 th	Barbara Gordyn & Barbara Gray
SACRISTANS:	Sun. 18 th	Sylvia Neaves & Pauline Phelan
HOLY VESSELS:	Month Of MAY	Francis Dwyer

HEYFIELD PARISH LITURGICAL ROSTER (MAY)

READER:	Sat. 17 th	George Bogusz
FLORISTS:	Sat. 17 th	Pittari Family
ALTAR LINEN –	MONTH OF MAY	Heather Higgins

ST BRIGID'S COWWARR (MAY)

READER	Sun. 18 th	N/A
CHURCH CLEANING	MONTH OF MAY	Marie Johnston & Trish Sunderman

PERSONAL ORDINARIATE MASSES

COWWARR: ST BRIGIDS'

MONDAY: 9.00AM

TUESDAY: 6.00PM

WEDNESDAY: 10.00AM

THURSDAY: 10.00AM

FRIDAY: 6.00PM

SATURDAY: 10.00AM

SUNDAY: 9.30AM

MIRBOO NORTH: ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 2ND

SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: 4.00PM

4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: 4.00PM

CONFESSION: BEFORE EACH MASS

ANY ENQUIRIES PLEASE CONTACT:

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A YEAR-LONG JOURNEY OF HOPE AND FAITH

The Jubilee Year is a year-long spiritual journey, inviting all the faithful to deepen their hope and faith in Christ. As pilgrims we will enter into a spiritual and physical journey towards renewal and growth in the faith.

In celebrating the Jubilee Year of Pilgrims of Hope, I pray that the Diocese of Sale will have encountered the Holy One who reveals his love. Bishop Greg Bennet

Jan	1st	Opening Celebration of the Jubilee Year	St Mary's Cathedral, Sale
Feb	23rd	Jubilee of Artists	St Joseph's Church Warragul
Mar	29th	Jubilee of Volunteering	St Brendan's Parish, Lakes Entrance
Apr	6th	Jubilee of the Sick and Health Care Workers	St John the Baptist, Koo Wee Rup
May	25th	Jubilee of Workers	St Mary's, Cowes
	31st	Jubilee of Families and Grandparents	St Agatha's, Cranbourne
Jun	15th	Jubilee of Lay Ministers, and Leaders	St John's, Trafalgar
	27th	Jubilee of Clergy	St Laurence O'Toole's, Leongatha
Jul	19th	Jubilee of Youth	Our Lady Help of Christians, Narre Warren
Aug	16th	Jubilee of Prayer Groups	St Joseph's Church, Wonthaggi
Sep	7th	Jubilee of Justice	St Mary's Church, Bairnsdale
	13th	Jubilee of Consolation	St Michael's Church, Berwick
	28th	Jubilee of Catechists	St Mary's Church, Maffra
Oct	4th	Jubilee of Marian Spirituality	St Patrick's Church, Pakenham
	5th	Jubilee of Migrants	Sacred Heart, Morwell, Lumen Christi, Churchill
	19th	Jubilee of Missions	Immaculate Heart of Mary, Moe - Newborough
Nov	16th	Jubilee of Choirs	St Michael's Church, Traralgon
	29th	Jubilee of Outreach to the Poor	St Mary's Church, Yarram
Dec	7th	Jubilee of Prisoners	St Mary's Cathedral, Sale
	21st	Closing Celebration of the Jubilee Year	St Thomas the Apostle, Clyde North

During the Holy Year, may the light of Christian hope illumine every man and woman, as a message of God's love addressed to all! And may the Church bear faithful witness to this message in every part of the world! - Pope Francis



DIOCESE OF SALE



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Stay Updated on Diocesan Events!

There are many exciting events happening across our Diocese! Stay informed and up to date by visiting the Diocesan Events Page. It's a great resource to find details on upcoming celebrations, gatherings, and important dates. Visit: <https://www.cdsale.org.au/events> Check in regularly so you don't miss out!

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52

We are now turning to the gentiles.

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them. The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.' It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside. But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy.

(R.)

2. Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock.

(R.)

3. Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. **(R.)**

SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9, 14-17

The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 10:27-30

I give my sheep eternal life.

Jesus said: 'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me. The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father. The Father and I are one.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.



NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

SUNDAY MASS:

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5

Gospel: John 13:31-35

Parish Prayer

Oh Holy Father in heaven, you have given us all that we have. In humility, faith and love we implore you to hear our humble prayer for the unity and vibrancy of our parish family. Bind us in your love. Unite us through your Son Jesus. Strengthen us through your Holy Spirit. Holy Virgin Mother Intercede for us that our parish may be a source of love, hope, peace, unity and joy. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



*Happy
Mother's
Day!*

With love in their hearts and joy in their souls let them shower you with love and care for your needs. The love that they show you will always be there, now and forever, forever Amen.

Wishing all the mothers a Happy Mother's Day from Father Edwin and Willie. May your day be full of joy and love.