

ST. MARY'S YARRAM & ST. JOSEPH'S FOSTER

(Including St. Gerard Woodside, St. Agnes Toora and Immaculate Conception Fish Creek)

St. Joseph's Mission Statement: We strive to:

Be an active, open, Christ centred community, building bridges towards the kingdom.

St Mary's Vision Statement:

Our parish is a faith community that aims to make Jesus known and loved by living the Gospel message of acceptance, welcome and service to all members of the community.



St Mary's Mission Statement: We strive to:

Continue to be an active, prayerful, and sacramental faith community.

Grow in faithfulness to our Catholic tradition by full participation in Eucharistic celebrations sacraments and prayer. Respect and value all creation. Use our time, talents, and treasures to provide quality human, financial and facility resources to sustain and serve our parish's faith community and the wider community.

Statement of Commitment to the safety of children and vulnerable adults:

Central to the mission of St Mary's and St. Joseph's Parishes is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity, self-esteem and integrity of children, young people and vulnerable adults and providing them with a safe, supportive and enriching environment to develop spiritually, physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially.

Parish Information

Parish Priest:

Fr. Confidence Masvosva

Priests' Residence:

5 Buckley Street, Yarram.

Parish Office: 5182 5028

PO Box 59 Yarram, 3971

Email: Confidence.masvosva@cdsale.org.au

St Mary's Facebook Link: -

<https://fb.me/StMarysYarram>

St Joseph's Facebook Link: -

<https://fb.me/StJosephsFoster>

Parish Secretary

Diana Cannizzo

Bookkeeper

Janette Sampson

Bulletin Notices: By Thursday

yarram@cdsale.org.au

Office Hours:

Thursday 9.30am - 3.00pm

Friday 9.30am - 3.00pm

Safeguarding Officers

Yarram- Janette Sampson

Foster- Richard Denbrok

Maintenance Personnel

Yarram - Eugen Benc:

51891203

Foster -

Sick Calls or Communion to the Sick: 5182 5028 or

Leave a message, with your name and contact number as well as details of the person who is ill.

Baptisms:

At least 4 weeks notice please.

Weddings:

At least 6 months notice please.

St. Mary's Primary

School:Principal:

Mrs Maria Moore 5182 5659



6TH JULY 2025 - YEAR C

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

We gather as one in Christ – celebrating the deep faith, culture, and gifts of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics.



Our Catholic Church is a tapestry woven from many cultures. From the enduring wisdom of the world's oldest continuing cultures - the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples - to those who have journeyed from distant lands, we are one Body in Christ. In our diversity, we discover richness. In our unity, we find strength. And in every heart, we see the Spirit of God at work. Saint John Paul II once reminded us: "The Church herself is enriched by the development of different forms of culture. . . She takes them up in her evangelising mission and adopts them."

Today, we honour that truth. We celebrate the living story of faith and culture walking hand in hand - of ancient traditions alive in Christ, and of a Church made more whole when all are welcomed, seen, and heard.

PETER'S PENCE



The annual Peter's Pence Collection is scheduled to be held in all parishes across the Diocese of Sale on the weekend of **12-13 July 2025**.

Although the universal Church traditionally takes up this collection around the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, observed on 29 June, our Diocese will mark

this occasion on the second weekend of July. This collection is an expression of our unity with the Holy Father and supports him in his mission of service to the universal Church. For more information visit: <https://tinyurl.com/ydxde6bk>

MASS TIMES

Yarram

Sunday 9am

Thursday NO MASS

Friday NO MASS

Fish Creek

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass

(Sat before 5th Sunday - Liturgy)

1st & 3rd Wed of the month, 9.30am

Foster

Sunday 11am

Wednesday NO MASS

(2nd Wed of the month at Prom Care)

Toora

Saturday 4.30pm Vigil Mass

(Sat before 5th Sunday - Liturgy)

JULY, MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - YARRAM

Fr. Confidence Masvosva, Anne-Marie Robb (Chairperson) Maria Moore (Principal, Deputy Chairperson) Leonore Giliberto, Sue Benc, Jennifer Heeraman-Nieuwenhuizen, Prisca Gabiana

PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK YARRAM

Sick Parishioners: John O'Callaghan, Margaret Muir, Therese Morris, Loretta Clark, and all those we keep in our hearts. .

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Jim O'Neill, Valerie Collins-Varga OAM, Nance Roberts, Shirley Cross, Brian Davis, Peggy Woodward

May they rest in peace.

FLOWERS & FOLIAGE are urgently needed during Winter. If you can help out with any donations it would be greatly appreciated. Please bring flowers to the Parish Office on Thursdays or Fridays. Thank you.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY 2025

For formation in discernment: Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

JUBILEE OF OUTREACH TO THE POOR JUBILEE YEAR PROJECT

As part of Yarram's Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee celebrations, we will be hosting the
"Jubilee of Outreach to the Poor"

On SATURDAY 29th November

In preparation for our special Jubilee feast, we are looking to make up hampers to distribute to the poor in our community.

Non perishable items can be donated to help create Hampers for the Poor.

At this stage of the year, detergents, soaps, tinned fruit, chutneys, jams, etc. can be placed in the baskets at the back of the Church. All goods will be much appreciated.

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A meeting to organise a committee for this event will be held on

**Thursday 17th July at 2.00pm in the  
St Joseph's Room.**

*If you are interested in helping, please come along. Many hands make light work!*

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - FOSTER

Fr. Confidence Masvosva, Sandra Stefani (Deputy Chairperson), Leanne Denbrok, John Denbrok (Youth Representative), Mary Gobel (Youth Representative) Wilemena Low

### PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK FOSTER

**Sick Parishioners:** Roz Bryan, Ken Vagg, Maria Pangrazzi, Robert Vuillermin, Frank Stefani, Kath Hurst, John Box, Dawn and Ashton Farrell, Colin Smith, and all those we keep in our hearts.

**Recently Deceased:**

**Anniversaries:** Dorothea Green, Letitia Doran, Patrick Tormey, Danny Vuillermin

**May they rest in peace**



### The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

### INVITATION CHANGES EVERYTHING: Build a Parish That Reaches Out

#### St Michael's Parish, Berwick 129 High St, Berwick

Can a simple invitation really change a life? According to Michael Harvey it absolutely can and often does. In this powerful, interactive session, renowned speaker and founder of Back to Church Sunday, Michael Harvey will invite us into a bold new vision: a parish culture where invitation is second nature, not second thought.

<https://tinyurl.com/Michaelharvey-Berwick>



**Thank you to those making donations**  
**God bless your generosity**

29.6.25 Planned Giving - \$312.00      Presbytery Collection - \$230.00

#### Foster Church Account

NAB—BSB 083-879

Account No—527413354

#### Foster Presbytery Account

NAB—BSB 083-879

Account No—296638619



**Thank you to those making donations**  
**God bless your generosity**

29.6.25 Planned Giving - \$531.45      Presbytery Collection - \$188.65

#### Yarram Church Account

NAB—BSB 083-879

Account No—527668496

#### Yarram Presbytery Account

NAB—BSB 083-879

Account No—157911099



**Information about the Parish of Yarram and Foster**  
can be obtained from the Catholic Diocese of Sale website at [www.cdsale.org.au](http://www.cdsale.org.au)

**ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH:** Would you like information about the Parish and our programs or know someone else who does? Please see our Priest today or fill in a Welcome Card which is available at the Church entrances.

**COMMUNION TO THE SICK:** Any parishioners who cannot attend Mass due to illness or frailty and would like to receive Communion, and a visit from Fr Confidence are asked to contact the Parish office on 5182 5028.

**PRAYING FOR THE SICK:** If you have a loved one who would like to be included in the prayers for the sick, please let the office know for inclusion in the bulletin. Please also advise the office if you want a name removed.

**YARRAM PARISH DIARY - JULY**

**MORNING TEA AFTER MASS:** NO MORNING TEA IN JULY

**EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Every Thursday, 10am - 11am, followed by Mass

**FOSTER PARISH DIARY - JULY**

**FOSTER:** Every Monday, 8.30am Rosary *followed by Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion @ 9.00AM*

**FOSTER:** Every Wednesday 10.30AM Rosary, *followed by Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion @ 11.00AM*

**PRAYER GROUP, FISH CREEK:** Every Wednesday, 10.30am, in Church. Prayers for the sick and dying, followed by Mass or Liturgy at 11.00am.

**Thank you Fr Peter Bickley for celebrating Masses for us the last 2 weekends. God bless.**

**ATTENTION YARRAM PARISHIONERS:  
CROSS ON BELL TOWER**

As a pre-cautionary measure, the front of St Mary's church has been cordoned off by the SES. Please do not enter the area. The matter is being dealt with by the appropriate persons. Sunday Masses will go ahead as per usual. Parishioners are to enter the church via the side door opposite the parish office.

**PLEASE NOTE**

The postal address for Foster is:

**P.O. Box 59  
Yarram, VIC. 3971**

We will no longer be using the PO Box in Foster.

**COMBINED FISH CREEK CHURCHES EVENT**

Afternoon Tea Invitation Sunday June 29 @ 2pm

Guest Speaker: Gabby Stefani

Gabby will speak about her nursing experience on the Mercy Ship

Venue: Fish Creek Union Church

Everyone is welcome

Contact: Susan 0429 936 325 if you require transport

**YARRAM: NO ELECTRICITY**

**Although there will be no electricity on Sunday 13th July, we will still be celebrating Liturgy of the Word with Communion at 9.00am.**

**JUBILEE OF YOUTH FINAL CALL FOR REGISTRATIONS** for event at Narre Warren on July 19. This is a great opportunity for youth from our Parish to engage in something much bigger than what they are used to in Church life. And, It will prime them for looking forward to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Melbourne (early Dec). Then, to prepare for the International World Youth Day in Seoul, South Korea in 2027.

Furthermore, this event is a great opportunity for all Parishes to build momentum as we prepare to receive the Diocesan Pastoral Plan Framework (2026 - 2030), especially Pastoral Goal #4 *To Ignite Passion in Young People . . .*

On behalf of the host Parish, especially our youth, I look forward to seeing you and your young pilgrims on July 19.

Fr Michael Willemsen PP (Our Lady Help of Christians, Narre Warren)

<https://www.cdsale.org.au/events/jubilee-of-youth-highway-to-heaven>

**PARISH ROSTER—YARRAM**

**6th July**

**Commentator** S Telling  
**Reader** A M Robb  
**Offertory** P Gabiana / R Ramsay  
**Special Minister** P McAninly  
**Counting** M Giliberto, Volunteer

**13th July**

**Commentator** M Harkin  
**Reader** J Papworth  
**Offertory** Giliberto family  
**Special Minister** J Purgar  
**Counting** P & M Harkin

**PARISH ROSTER—FOSTER**

**6th July**

**Counting** Des & Leon  
**Commentator** Des Hansen  
**Reader** John Denbrok  
**Special Minister** Fieke Vuillermijn  
**Flowers** Patsy Hilder  
**Cleaners** Diana & Sally B

**13th July**

**Counting** Carmel & Tricia  
**Commentator** Lillian Adhiambo  
**Reader** Teresa Richards  
**Special Minister** Catarina Van Kuyk  
**Flowers** Mandy Emanuel

**FISH CREEK**

**5th July -**

**6.00pm MASS**  
Reader Bianca Stefani

**12th July -**

**6.00pm LITURGY**  
Leader Nadia Stefani  
Reader Sandra Stefani

**TOORA**

**5th July -**

**4.30pm MASS**  
(on rotation) J Moysey & W Lowe

**12th July -**

**4.30pm LITURGY**  
(on rotation) J Moysey & W Lowe



**First Reading**

Isaiah 66:10-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Rejoice, Jerusalem,  
be glad for her, all you who love her!  
Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her!  
That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling  
breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious  
breasts.

For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing  
peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate  
the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried  
and fondled in her lap.

Like a son comforted by his mother  
will I comfort you.

And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice,  
and your bones flourish like the grass.  
To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

**The Word of the Lord****Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. 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**

Galatians 6:14-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord  
Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to  
me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is  
circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become  
an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all  
who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the  
marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our  
Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers.  
Amen.

**The Word of the Lord****Gospel Acclamation**

Colossians 3:15. 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
and the fullness of his message live within you.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel**

Luke 10:1-12. 17-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent  
them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and  
places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The  
harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the  
Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.  
Start off now, but remember, I am sending you  
out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no  
haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road.  
Whatever house you go into, let your first words be,  
"Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives  
there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will  
come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking  
what food and drink they have to offer, for the  
labourer deserves his wages; do not move from  
house to house. Whenever you go into a town where  
they make you welcome, eat what is set before you.  
Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom  
of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter  
a town and they do not make you welcome, go out  
into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of  
your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with  
you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very  
near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard  
with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they  
said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your  
name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like  
lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power  
to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the  
whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt  
you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you;  
rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

**The Gospel of the Lord**

*Next Weeks Readings - 13th July*  
**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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| <i>First Reading</i>      | <i>Deut 30:10-14</i>                      |
| <i>Responsorial Psalm</i> | <i>68:14, 17, 30-31,<br/>33-34, 36-37</i> |
| <i>Second Reading</i>     | <i>Col 1:15-20</i>                        |
| <i>Gospel Acclamation</i> | <i>(cf Jn 6:63, 68)</i>                   |
| <i>Gospel</i>             | <i>Lk 10:25-37</i>                        |