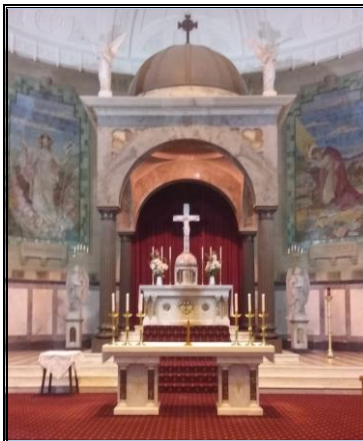




PARISH OF ASCOT VALE

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ST MARY'S CHURCH, 123 ST LEONARDS ROAD, ASCOT VALE
ST MARGARET'S CHURCH, BARB STREET, MARIBYRNONG

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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil:

6.00pm St Mary’s

Sunday:

8.30am St Margaret’s

10.30am St Mary’s

6.00pm St Mary’s (Spanish)

Weekday Mass Times

Mon 10.00am St Mary’s

Tue 9.00am St Mary’s

Wed 9.00am St Mary’s

7.00pm St Mary’s

Thu 9.00am St Mary’s

Fri 9.15am St Mary’s

Sat 9.30am St Mary’s

Reconciliation

(Confession)

Saturday

10.00–10.30am St Mary’s

5.30–5.45pm St Mary’s

Eucharistic Adoration

Tue 9.30–10.30am St Mary’s

Sat 10.00–11.00am St Mary’s

Baptisms at St Mary’s

Baptisms are celebrated on the
2nd & 4th Sundays of each
month at 12:00 noon.

Baptism Information Sessions
are held in St Mary’s Church
at 7:30 pm on the first Thursday
of each month. Parents desiring
the baptism of their child must
attend one of these sessions.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 6 July 2025

Towards a Masterplan

The work continues with Harmer Architecture and the Parish Masterplan Reference Group. The most recent meeting was on Tuesday (24th June). The architects offered some concept ideas for St. Mary’s Church, specifically that the unused baptistry area be converted into the space for Confessions with a glass wall; and that there be a glass wall on either side of a doorway enabling the ability to have a main aisle from the front foyer. These ideas were received with positive interest.

Parish Masterplan – PARISHIONER FEEDBACK

Total received: 29

Priority Investments

Feedback provides the following ranking:

1. Safe Parish Residence
2. Community Centre
3. Modern Staff Facilities
4. Parish Resource Centre
5. Outdoor Community Space
6. Parish Investments

Original Listing:

1. Parish Resource Centre
2. Community Centre
3. Modern Staff Facilities
4. Safe Parish Residence
5. Outdoor Community Space
6. Investment Plan
 - a) Residential Development
 - b) Café

Parish Music Ministry

HAVE YOU thought of contributing?

as an *ORGANIST AND/OR SINGER* in St. Mary’s Parish?

The parish choir is relied upon for our major celebrations. The choir, though, doesn’t do it all. Apart from the choir, the parish also values individual cantors or vocalists as well as the organists who support the singing by the choir and cantors. If you feel moved to contribute to our music ministry, please contact the Parish Office by phone or email.

The ministry of music is a service throughout the liturgy encouraging the assembly to sing the song of praise which binds us to Christ and to one another.

Annual Peter’s Pence Collection - TODAY 5/6 July

Peter’s Pence is a gesture of communion and participation in the Pope’s mission to proclaim the Gospel, promote peace, and spread Christian charity. This is a concrete way to support the Holy Father in his mission of service to the universal Church. Thank you for your generosity.

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND – 12/13 Jul 2025

Parish Counters: V Colicchia; J Dawson

Ministers of the Word			Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	
Time	St Mary's	St Margaret's	St Mary's	St Margaret's
6.00 pm	N Familiari		P Stanley	
8.30 am		S Varghese		R Turnbull
10.30 am	D Cutinho		R Bonvino	

Hymns:

Entrance: CWBII 477

Offertory: CWBII 470

Communion: CWBII 548

Reflection: CWBII 605

Recessional: CWBII 606

Anniversaries:

Lorna Ashton; Pasquale Calderone; Louis Menezes; Paul Hogan

Feast Days:

11 Jul: St Benedict, abbot

Readings Next Week:

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Deut 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

Friday Mass at St Mary's Church for school holidays

The 9:15am Friday Mass will be at St Mary's church for the next two weeks being school holidays.

Soup Evening

There will be soup, bread and nibbles served, in the presbytery, after 6pm Mass on **Saturday, 12th July**. All are welcome. Please join us and have a chat with fellow parishioners. We hope to see many of you there!

St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

Dear fellow parishioners the last few years have been hard for all of us and St. Vincent de Paul has been trying to meet an increasing demand with limited funds.

In the west of Melbourne, from June to December last year St. Vincent de Paul spent over \$1,300,000 in assisting 12,500 people. In Ascot Vale we expect to spend close to \$100,000 this year in total mainly on food and whitegoods. Any contribution helps.

To donate there are envelopes at the church, or online at www.vinnies.org.au, or by phone, 131812.

\$74 can provide clothing for a growing child.

\$137 can provide food hampers to feed a hungry family for a week.

\$220 can go towards utility bills that are mounting up.

\$1257 can help keep the roof over the heads of a struggling family.

Communion at Home

Do you have a family member, friend or neighbour, living in this parish, who is no longer able to attend Mass, but would like to receive Communion regularly?

If so, please contact the presbytery or ring Marie on 9372 0307.

Legion of Mary

For member enquiries and home visitations please contact: 0435 095 998.

St Vincent de Paul Helpline: 1800 305 330, Monday – Friday, 10am – 3pm.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival 2025

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre
1 Convention Centre Place
South Wharf



ACYF returns to Melbourne at the end of 2025!

Sunday 30 November – Tuesday 2 December 2025

Capping off a rich program of Jubilee events in our Archdiocese this 2025 Jubilee Year, the Australian Catholic Youth Festival is a fun and faith-filled national festival. It provides young people from Year 9 to 25 years old with the opportunity to come together, connect, deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to live their faith in the world and experience the breadth of the Church in Australia.

Join in and celebrate with thousands of young people from across the country!

More information about the festival is available on the official ACYF website

<https://acyf.org.au/about/>

Benedetta Young Women's Retreat

Saturday 19 July 2025, 3.00pm–6.00pm

Hap Café, 693 Rathdowne Street, Carlton North

Join us for a warm, faith-filled day at Hap Cafe, where young women (aged 18–40) of the Catholic faith come together to connect, grow and be renewed. Benedetta is a welcoming and intimate community designed to nurture lasting friendships and support your journey in faith.

Jubilee prayer

Praying this together as a community is a way to reflect on what it means to be pilgrims of hope:

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*



'We are called to deepen our closeness to Jesus and to be a source of harmony in the midst of our brother priests. And to do all this in a great exchange of love that, flowing from the pierced side of the crucified Lord, embraces all people and fills the entire world.' - Pope Leo XIV



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING

Is 66:10-14

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

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

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.)

'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.)

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.)

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

Gal 6:14-18

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

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

GOSPEL

Lk 10:1-12. 17-20

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.