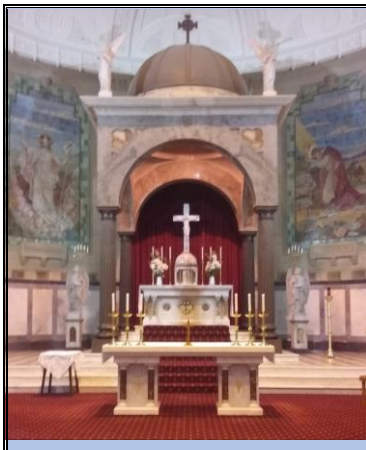




PARISH OF ASCOT VALE

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

Parish Priest:	Rev Fr Desmond J Moloney
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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.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – 22 June 2025

Towards a Masterplan

Summary points:

- St. Mary’s Parish community must itself fund its own projects.
- Masterplans, by nature, tend to entail a number of stages because of their costings.
- Clarity about the composition of works on the Ascot Vale site (excluding St. Mary’s Church) is required before the various stages can be determined, together with their costings.
- The Parish accountant and Finance Committee (with support from the Parish Masterplan Reference Group) will play a crucial role in assessing the parish’s financial capacity and giving advice regarding the size of loans, etc.

Parish Masterplan – PARISHIONER FEEDBACK

Total received: 25

Parish Music Ministry

In St. Mary’s Parish, the choir has a status as *the* group of combined voices. This status is over and above individual cantors or vocalists. The choir is relied upon for our major celebrations. Yet, it must be said, the choir cannot do it all. There is a need for cantors at the same time as having a choir. The commitment involved by all is significant.

“() the function of music is ministerial; it must serve and never dominate. Music should assist the assembled believers to express and share the gift of faith that is within them and to nourish and strengthen their interior commitment of faith. It should heighten the texts so that they speak more fully and more effectively.” [Music in Catholic Worship 23] Music ministers “share faith, serve the community, and express the love of God and neighbour through music”. “Like any member of the assembly, the pastoral musician needs to be a believer, needs to experience conversion, needs to hear the Gospel and so proclaim the praise of God.” [Liturgical Music Today 64] The ministry of music is one of constant service throughout the liturgy encouraging the assembly to sing the song of praise which binds us to Christ and to one another.

Catholic Mission Appeal

This annual appeal will be held **next weekend 28/29 June 2025**. This year’s appeal journeys with Bishop Edwin Mulandu in Zambia – supporting powerful mission initiatives led by Sr Jane Kaputa and midwife Kayula. Your generosity is gratefully appreciated.

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND – 28/29 Jun 2025

Parish Counters: R Aparo; D McAleer

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	J Escano		P Barbaro	
8.30 am		B Dwyer		J Gilmartin
10.30 am	A Fogarty		R Rotunno	

Hymns:

Entrance: CWBII 490

Offertory: CWBII 459

Communion: CWBII 469

Reflection: CWBII 470

Recessional: CWBII 561

Recently Deceased:

Peter Can Nguyen

Anniversaries:

Guiseppe Gervas; Russell Meerwald; Pauline Catania

Feast Days:

24 June: The Nativity of St John the Baptist

27 June: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Readings Next Week:

Saints Peter and Paul, apostles (Year C)

Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Baptisms

We warmly welcome the children being baptised this Sunday:

Madison Saige Marshall

Rosa Maria Capogreco

Samuel Roy White

Faris Sarif Muneer Hjazeen



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.

Child carer – job advertisement

Looking for someone who is both experienced and confident, working with children to look after our 18 month old son 2 days per week. We are a warm and loving family and keen to welcome someone who is kind, compassionate and caring.

We are located within 5 minutes walking distance from St. Marys Church.

References are essential. If interested, please contact Sinead on 0478842386.

Help Christians in the Holy Land

Aid to the Church in Need is providing urgent support to the Church in Israel and Gaza in the ongoing conflict. Without your help, many desperate Christian families will be forced to leave. To make an emergency donation visit www.aidtochurch.org/holyland or scan the QR code.

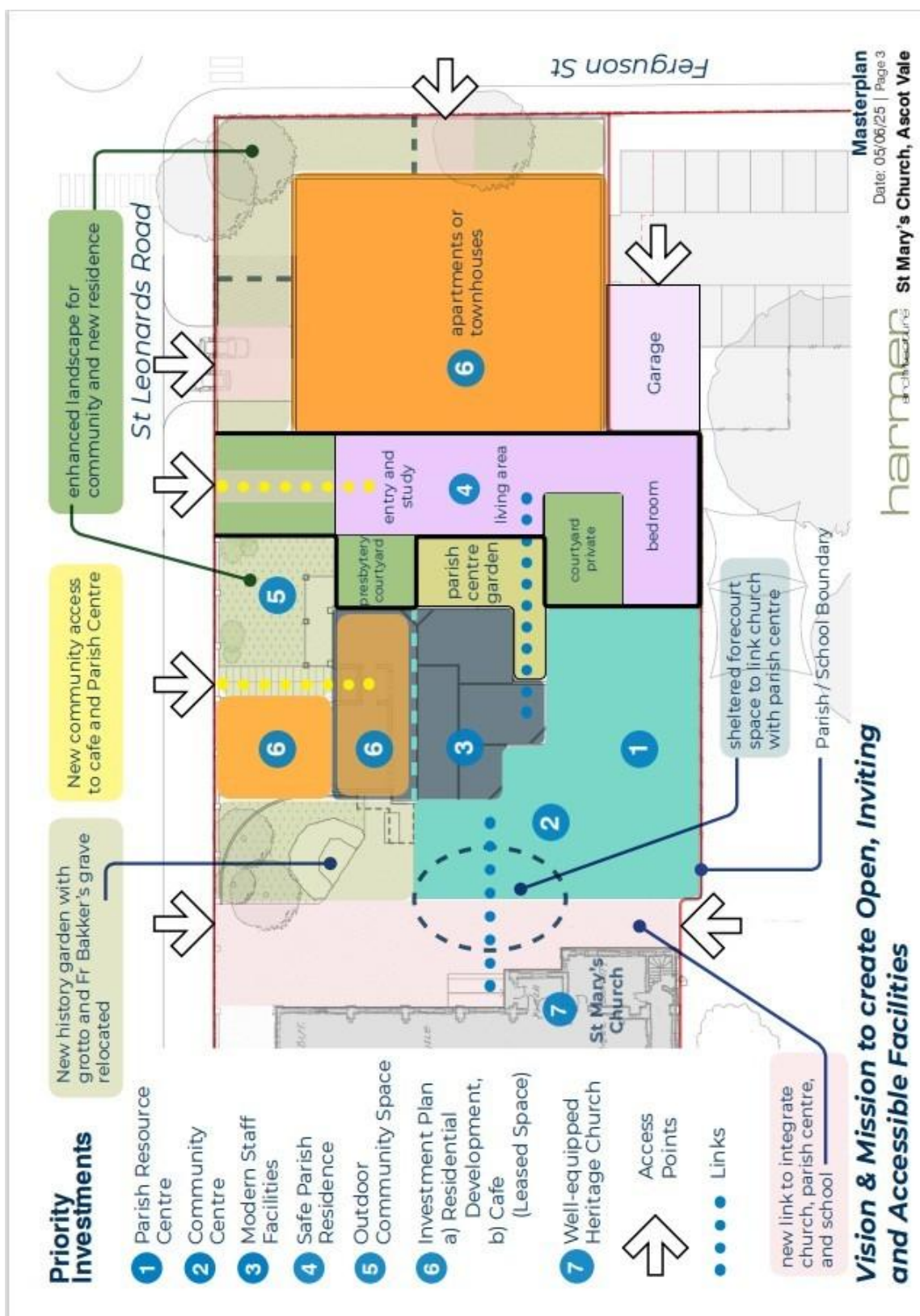


Legion of Mary

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

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

Proposed Masterplan Drawing – Option provided by architects



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.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

FIRST READING

Gen 14:18-20

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing:

‘Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth,
and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.’

And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 109

**R. You are a priest for ever,
in the line of Melchizedek.**

The Lord’s revelation to my Master:

‘Sit on my right:

I will put your foes beneath your feet.’ (R.)

The Lord will send from Zion

your sceptre of power:

rule in the midst of all your foes. (R.)

A prince from the day of your birth

on the holy mountains;

from the womb before the daybreak I begot you. (R.)

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.

‘You are a priest for ever,

a priest like Melchizedek of old.’ (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Cor 11:23-26

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, ‘This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.’ In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.’ Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming to his death.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;

whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 9:11-17

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, ‘Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.’ He replied, ‘Give them something to eat yourselves.’ But they said, ‘We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.’ For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, ‘Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.’ They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

The Gospel of the Lord.

