



St Michael's Catholic Parish Traralgon

St Michael's Vision Statement: Inspired by Jesus Christ, we are a welcoming Catholic Community seeking to enrich lives. Come and join us!

St Michael's Mission Statement:

To provide opportunities for parishioners –

- to grow in holiness
- to discover and live out their personal and community call to mission to live as Catholics who effectively transform society.

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Statement of Commitment to the safety of children and adults at risk: Central to the mission of St Michael's Parish is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity, self-esteem and integrity of children, young people and adults at risk and providing them with a safe, supportive and enriching environment to develop spiritually, physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially.

Please contact our Safeguarding Officer Shane Reid on 5174 2060 if you have any concerns.

St Michael's Parish Information

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After office hours - in case of an emergency please call 0499 162 313 and leave a message and your contact details. All non-urgent calls should be made during office hours.

Baptisms: Six weeks notice required

Weddings: Six months notice required

Parish Pastoral Council: Lia Di Corleto, Chairperson, Fr Aju, Steve Kimani, Greg Imhagwe, Watson Gomez, Jenifer Hanratty, Judi McLaughlin, Thomas Mathew, Amanda Reid, Jodie Ware, Michelle Charlton, and Doug Doherty.

Our Schools:

St Gabriel's School 5174 5515
Principal: Mrs Michelle Charlton

St Michael's School 5174 3295
Principal: Mrs Jodie Ware

Lavalla Catholic College 5174 5272
Principal: Mr Ryan Greer

Kildare Campus 5174 8111
St Paul's Campus 5174 7355



What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me?
I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord - Psalm 116:12-13

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

*The Ordination
to the
Priesthood*

*Mass of
Thanksgiving*

OF
DCN. MARK HUGHES

OF
FR. MARK HUGHES

BY
MOST REV. GREGORY BENNET DD
BISHOP OF SALE

ON
SUNDAY, 16TH OCTOBER 2022
10:45 AM

ON
SATURDAY, 15TH OCTOBER 2022
11:00 AM

AT
ST. AGATHA'S CHURCH,
SLADEN STREET,
CRANBOURNE

AT
ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL,
FOSTER STREET, SALE

RSVP

For Congregation
<http://www.trybooking.com/CBQWQ>
by 2nd October 2022

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SALE

We are very excited to invite you all to Mark Hughes' Ordination to the Priesthood. Mark has been a special part of the St Michael's Parish community during his time in the Seminary, and later as a Deacon at St Mary's. He played an integral part in our Youth and Music Ministries and was a great supporter of all our parish groups and events during his time at St Michael's. We have journeyed together on his road to becoming a priest and look forward to celebrating this special day with him. We encourage all our parishioners to attend and join in the celebrations. Lunch will be provided after Mass at St Mary's Cathedral Sale and bookings are required by the 2nd of October via www.trybooking.com/CBQWQ, or by contacting our parish office.

Daylight saving time begins this Sunday October 2. A reminder that we will need to turn our clocks forward an hour Sunday morning.

Sunday Mass Times	
Saturday	5:00pm Mass
Sunday	9:30am & 5:00pm Mass
Weekday Mass Times	
Tuesday Oct 04	9:30am Mass
Wednesday Oct 05	11:00am Reconciliation
	11:00am Exposition
	12:00pm Mass
Thursday Oct 06	9:30am Liturgy @ St Michael's
	11:00am Liturgy @ Dalkeith
Friday Oct 07	9:30am Mass- Our Lady of the Rosary

PLEASE PRAY FOR: those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Sophia Theissling, Russell Patten, Peter O'Malley, Cathy Mesaric, Varkey Vettikattil, Margaret Cahill, Lulu Aragon and Bob Bullivant, and Br Jose Vettikattil. *Lord, let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: including Peter Dal Pra, Ann-Maree Daly, Gary Donchi, Bill Edgar, Bernadette Formaran, Fr Frank Freeman, Marj Gilbert, Carolyn Gleeson, Jacqui Granville, Barbara Greaves, Ellen Hammond, Jenny Hansch, Robert Hazelman, Imogen Hillier, Joyce Martin, Ivy May, Deborah McKerchar, Ben Melenhorst, Maree Morris, Henry Polo, Joan Riggall, Theresa Rosello, Jerry Templer, Damiano Tripodi, Julie Vaz, Brian Vivian, Celie Smith, Sharon Veleff, George Walkan, Roy Ward, Victoria Rohli, Father John Speekman, James Whitty, Tony Tactor and Pasqualina Loprese, and all those we hold dear in our hearts.



FR AJU IS BACK: Welcome back Father Aju, we missed you! We hope you thoroughly enjoyed your time away and look forward to hearing all about your trip. Thanks again to Deacon Tony, Father Peter, Father Daniel and Father Vincent for looking after us while Father Aju was away.

CWL WALKING GROUP: Parishioners and friends are invited to join the CWL ladies on a morning walk on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. The group will meet in Kay St, next to the church, near the 'Lady of Our Way'. All ages and fitness levels are welcome.

PARISH BULLETIN ITEMS: It's always great to receive items and news from around the parish for the Bulletin. All items to be included in the Bulletin, including birthdays, anniversaries, events and news, need to be received at the office by 12:00pm Thursday.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- October 15:** Mark's Ordination, St Mary's Cathedral Sale, 11am
- October 20 – 22:** National Evangelisation Online Conference
- October 23:** Youth Mass, St Michael's Church at 5pm
- November 07:** Exploring the Gospel According to Matthew
- November 18:** Ecumenical Advent Conversation, The Abbey
- December 04:** Parish Christmas Family Fun Day

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:	
Tuesday October 04	
10:00am	CWL Walking Group, Meet at Our Lady of the Way
Wednesday October 05	
9:00am	Wednesday am Cells Group, Parish Centre
11:00am	Reconciliation, St Michael's Church
5:30pm	Liturgy Team Meeting, Parish Centre
Thursday October 06	
10:30am	Charismatic Prayer Group, Mary MacKillop Room
11:00am	Liturgy, Dalkeith Retirement Village
7:30pm	RCIA Meeting, Parish Centre

BAPTISMS:

The next Baptism Preparation Meeting will be held on **Tuesday October 11th at 7:00pm** in the Church. Please contact the Parish Office on 5174 2060 if you are interested in attending.



R.C.I.A.:

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
St Michael's Parish warmly invites anyone interested in discovering more about the Catholic faith to come along to our weekly meetings on Thursday's in the Parish Centre at 7:30pm. Please contact the Parish Office on 5174 2060, if you, or someone you know are interested.

FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS: We will start taking enrolments for First Communion celebrations in the first few weeks of Term 4 for grade 4 and above. Celebration will take place in our parish on Saturday 19th November and Sunday 20th November at all 3 Masses. Please keep the families in your prayers.

OCTOBER DEVOTION: The month of October is traditionally referred to as the month of Mary. It is especially dedicated to the recitation of the Holy Rosary primarily because October 7 is the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary. The practise of dedicating the entire month of October to the Holy Rosary developed towards the end of the 1800s. Pope Leo XIII (papacy: 1878-1903) promoted the increase of devotion to the blessed Mother by encouraging the constant use of the Rosary – a scriptural prayer and a powerful spiritual tool given to us by our mother Mary. During this month, join us for daily prayers and Rosary starting half an hour before each mass. Come let us celebrate our Mother.



PRAYING THE ROSARY IN THE MONTH OF

OCTOBER: The East Gippsland Parish Community invites you to a Rosary prayer event via Zoom during October. The Rosary

takes us on a spritual journey along with Mary in contemplation with her son Jesus. Rosary will be prayed online each evening from 7pm – 7.30pm commencing 1st October through to 31st October. It is a free event but you do need to register interest. Email Michelle – stm.michelleg@gmail.com to receive a link to join. Or phone St Mary's Parish Centre 03 5152 2942.

2022 KNOX PUBLIC LECTURE: Wednesday October 12, 7.30pm
 "50 Years of Theological Education in Context: Then, Now, What Next?" Brought to you by the Catholic Theological College and the University of Divinity and held at the Celtic Hall, Catholic Leadership Centre, East Melbourne. For bookings and more information go to ctc.edu.au/knox-public-lecture, or call 03 9412 3333, or email sarah.styring@ctc.edu.au

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evangelise

www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au

We are interested in organising a parish group to participate in the online 'Evangelise' conference by livestreaming parts of the conference at the parish centre. If this is something you would be interested in, please contact the parish office for more information. The conference is being facilitated by the Australian Catholic Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry. The conference will promote understanding and explore practices of evangelisation in Australia through encounters with Christ, formation in discipleship and mission in the world. The conference will feature a range of informative and engaging presentations on topics such as liturgy, marriage and family, discipleship, formation and prayer. For more information go to www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au or contact the parish office.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Monday November 7, 730 – 9pm via Zoom: You are invited to an evening with Fr Chris Monaghan, while he takes us through the Gospel of Matthew to prepare us for Year A. To register, go to <https://www.trybooking.com/CCSYD>, phone 03 5622 6677 or email smorley@sale.catholic.org.au. Contact the office if you would like to attend this as a group at the Parish Centre.

ECUMENICAL ADVENT CONVERSATION: Friday November 18, 10am – 330pm, The Abbey, Raymond Island. Bishop Richard Treloar, Anglican Bishop of Gippsland and Bishop Greg Bennet, Catholic Bishop of Sale invite clergy and lay people from both Dioceses to join them for an Advent Conversation – a seasonal study of Matthew for Year A of the Lectionary Cycle alongside some of the great Advent themes. The Conversation will be led by Biblical Scholars from the University of Divinity, Melbourne: Professor Mary Coloe PBVM (Yarra Theological Union), and The Rev'd Dr Fergus King (Maynard Lecturer in Ministry Education, Trinity College Theological School). There will be opportunity for those present to participate in the question time and dialogue following each address.

For more information and to register, contact The Abbey on 5156 6580 or via email at info@theabbey.org.au.

MINISTRYCORNER

Did you know that you can volunteer for any of our parish ministries? No prior knowledge is required, and training and support is provided. We need more volunteers to support the different ministries in our church. It is a great way to help your parish and get to know your fellow parishioners. Please contact the parish office for more information.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY – This program during our 9.30am Mass for preschoolers/ primary school aged children is run by parents/parishioners on a school term roster. It is a great way for our youngest parishioners to learn about Jesus. We need 4 teams of 2 adults to run this ministry so each team would be rostered on one Sunday per month.

YOUTH MASS – **Sunday October 23rd at 5pm** followed by supper in the Mary MacKillop Hall next door. We are looking for readers, altar servers, musicians, money collectors, welcomers and also help with supper in the Hall.

YOUTH COUNCIL – we want to start our youth council back up. We are seeking expressions of interest from any 16yo – 25yo. Please email a letter with the reasons you would like to join to Jen Hanratty – sacraments@smpt.org.au

YOUTH MUSIC – Can you provide music for our young people, at Youth Masses or help our keen young singers start a choir? CONTACT PARISH OFFICE FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control." (2 Timothy 1:7)
 Many of us compartmentalize our Faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything, all the time. The next time you are at a neighbourhood party, at work or out shopping, would your actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

Rosters for October 08 & 09 2022			28 th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C		
	Lector	Commentator	MERT	Usher/Welcomer	Musicians
Saturday Oct 08 5:00pm	B O'Brien	A Taylor		M Giddens	
Sunday Oct 09 9:30am	U & E Imhagwe	M Wilkinson	W Gomez	A Sykes & M Blanchard	Diamante Family
Sunday Oct 09 5:00pm	S Luscombe	M Noone		J McLaughlin	
Mick's Kitchen:	Oct 06 th Van Berkel Team		Oct 13 th Burns Team		

Entrance Antiphon Cf Est 4:17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will.

For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

First Reading Habakkuk 1:2-3 2:2-4

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk

The just will live by faithfulness.

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save?

Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes.

Then the Lord answered and said, 'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait,

for come it will, without fail.

See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2 6-9 Rv8

(R.) *If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.*

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. **(R.)**
2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. **(R.)**
3. O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.'
(R.)

Next weeks Readings**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading 2 Kings 5:14-17

2nd Reading 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Gospel Luke 17:11-19

Second Reading 1 Tim 1:6-8 13-14

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever;

it is the word given to you, the Good News.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 17:5-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

If you had faith!

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."' "

