

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



Congratulations to our Confirmation Candidates who received the Gifts of the Holy Spirit on Friday June 09. We were blessed to have Bishop Greg Bennet and many of our parishioners join our celebration and support our young people on the next step of their faith journey. May the power of the Holy Spirit guide them as they become strong Disciples of Christ.

Well done to:

Estelle Archibald	Audrey Heenan	James Poursanidis
Sienna Athanasiadis	Isla Hollands	Benjamin Purcell
Luka Beange	Darcy Hourigan	LilyRose Quinlan
Grace Beaty	James Hunt	Ariana Riseley
Georgia Blythman	Ekhai Imhagwe	Anika Roscoe
Taylor Bonnici	Kumen Konyi	Lexi Schroeter
Javier Borg	Harry Kurrle	Peyton Schroeter
Indi Bowen	Jamila Labucana	Grace Seeber
Noah Carney	Isabel Lavery	Hudson Smith
Ceili Coulthard	Dante Lourensz	Liam Van Der Velden
Sian Coulthard	Jesse Mainella	Jye Van Iwaarden
Ruby Darby	Jack Marino	Phoebe Walker
Quinlen Davidson	Oliver Mendez	Max Wilson
Rowan Dunne	Ella Monument	Oliver Wilson
William Frankland	Harry O'Neill	Dustin Wood
Nicolas Gilham	Levi Palmer	Layla Young
Jared Green	Ashton Pavich	Dustin Wood
Hamish Harle	Xavier Pettie	



May your faith continue to grow and nurture each one of you, and your families, in all your days ahead

Sunday Mass Times	
Saturday	5:00pm Mass
Sunday	9:30am Mass 5:00pm Mass
Weekday Mass Times	
Tuesday Jun 13	9:30am Mass
Wednesday Jun 14	11:00am Reconciliation 11:00am Exposition 12:00pm Mass 1:30pm Prayer Service for Giovanni Frescura
Thursday Jun 15	9:30am* Mass @ St Gabriel's
Friday Jun 16	9:30am Mass

**This Thursday we will celebrate Mass at St Gabriel's Primary School. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend.*

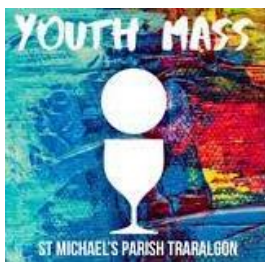
PLEASE PRAY FOR: those who have died recently including Julie Vaz, Giovanni 'John' Frescura, Anna Maria De Martin, Maria Vogt, Erika Schroeter, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time including James McDonald, Danny O'Keefe, Tony Hutchinson, Maria Angelica Cuevas, Trish Sweeney, Rocco Michael Bruzzese, Joan Whitford, Greg Birmingham, and Darren Wall. *Lord, let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: including 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 Mc Kerchar, Ben Melenhorst, Maree Morris, Henry Polo, Joan Riggall, Theresa Rosello, Jerry Templer, Damiano Tripodi, Sharon Veleff, George Walkan, Roy Ward, Victoria Rohli, Fr John Speekman, James Whitty, Kelly Maher, John Waanders, Peter Dal Pra, and Jane Eric and all those we hold dear in our hearts.



TRINITY FAMILIES APPEAL 2023: Thanks to your generosity, we raised \$860.10 last weekend for the Trinity Families Appeal. This money goes towards funding and supporting local charities who provide services and programs for families throughout the Diocese. If you missed last week's collection, you can drop your cash donation into the parish office, or donate online at trinityfamilies.org.au.



**Saturday June 17 @ 5pm
Youth Mass &
Confirmation Certificate Mass**

We are looking for young people to help lead our next Youth Mass. Would you like to be a reader? A commentator? An altar server? Money collector? Welcomer?

Contact Jen in the parish office for more information on 5174 2060 or sacraments@smpt.org.au. Join us for pizzas in the Mary MacKillop Hall afterwards, all are welcome!

This Week's Events	
Wednesday June 14	
11:00am	Reconciliation, St Michael's Church
Thursday June 15	
10:30am	Charismatic Prayer Group, Mary MacKillop Room
Friday June 16	
6:30pm	Youth Council Meeting, Mary MacKillop Room
Saturday June 17	
10:00am	Mass- Day with the Holy Spirit, St Michael's Church
5:00pm	Youth Mass- Confirmation Certificates, St Michael's Church

BAPTISMS: The next Baptism Preparation Meeting will be held on **Tuesday June 20 at 7:00pm** in the Church. Please contact the Parish Office on 5174 2060 if you are interested in attending.



CONFIRMATION: Congratulations to all the children who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Friday. We look forward to celebrating with them next Saturday night at the certificate mass here at St Michael's, followed by pizzas in the Mary MacKillop Hall. All are welcome.

YOUTH MINISTRY: Our Youth Council will meet next Friday June 16 in the Mary MacKillop Room at 6:30pm. If you are in Year 10 or above and interested in becoming a member of our St Michael's Parish Youth Council, please contact the Parish Office for more information. We are very grateful to the team at Harvey Norman Traralgon for their recent donation of a coffee machine to our Youth Ministry. Our Youth Council will be making coffees for parishioners after 9:30am masses next term to raise money for the Youth Ministry. Watch this space! More information to come...

ST COLUMBKILLE'S DAY: On Friday we gathered together to celebrate St Columbkille's Day and reminisce on our time together at St Columbkille's Glengarry. Many stories were shared, particularly of Mons. Allman's dedication to the community. Thank you for our parishioners who joined us and supported the day, we look forward to doing it again next year.

WELCOME BACK PILGRIMS: Our pilgrims returned on Wednesday from their much anticipated journey to Mary MacKillop Place in Sydney. A fun time was had by all and we look forward to hearing all about their trip in the coming weeks. Welcome home!

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS:

Saturday June 17 @ 10am – 4pm-
A Day with the Spirit, Mary MacKillop Hall.
Saturday June 17 @ 5pm
Youth Mass followed by pizzas in the hall
Sunday July 02 @ 6pm
Syro Malabar Mass followed by dinner in the hall





A DAY WITH THE SPIRIT

Saturday June 17
10am – 4pm
St Michael's Church

Join Father Francis Otober for a Day with the Spirit here at St Michael's Church next Saturday for a day of prayer and worship. The day begins with Mass at 10am in the church, followed by prayer and workshops in the Mary MacKillop Hall. Tea and Coffee provided, bring your own lunch.



**CATHOLIC
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OF SALE**

CATECHIST FORMATION DAY:

Father Elio Capra will be the guest speaker at a formation day for catechists and others who are interested in Sacraments at St

Jarlath's Hall, Yarragon on Saturday June 17 from 930am – 330pm. Father Elio is a lecturer at the Catholic Theological College specialising in Liturgy and Sacramental Theology. He has run a Lenten Liturgy program for our parish in the past and is a knowledgeable, warm and joyful speaker. Cost is \$10 per head and catering is provided. Please contact Barbara Durand on 0414 965 079 or barbarad@sale.catholic.org.au or book with Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/CHWBF>

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST: The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialized activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care.

More information and Application Forms are available on the website pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship.

Closing Date 04 August 2023

A WORKSHOP FOR READERS: Are you a reader or would you like to be a reader at Mass? You are invited to attend one of the two formation workshops being run by the Diocese of Sale. Learn more about your ministry as a reader and share some practical tips about proclaiming the word.

Wednesday 14 June, 10am - 1pm: St Mary's Parish Bairnsdale

Saturday 17 June, 2 - 430pm: St Patrick's Parish, Pakenham

Contact the parish office for more information, or to register your interest. For more information contact Siji Dominic at 03 5614 5163 or email SijiD@sale.catholic.org.au

LAUDATO SI' ACTION PLAN 2023-2025: The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, in its 2021-2022 Social Justice Statement: Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor, made a commitment to develop a Laudato Si' Action Plan. This plan aligned with Pope Francis' landmark encyclical, Laudato Si', issued on May 24, 2015, which calls for an ecological conversion in response to the ecological crises faced by our planet. The Bishops Conference launched its plan on June 5, World Environment Day. To access the plan visit <https://tinyurl.com/f49xamyf>.

PARISH FINANCE MATTERS- MAY 2023

Loose collections- Presbytery

May 07	\$ 1,160.40
May 14	\$ 1,170.00
May 21	\$ 1,225.50
May 28	\$ 1,030.40
Other	\$ 125.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,711.30

Planned Giving- Church

Envelopes	\$ 2,096.00
Direct Debit	\$ 9,725.00
TOTAL	\$11,821.00
Tap & Go Donations	\$ 245.00

Thank you for your ongoing financial support of our parish, it is greatly appreciated. Please contact the parish office if you would like to join our planned giving program or would like some more information on ways to support our church financially.

STEWARDSHIP MATTERS:

"Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread." 1

CORINTHIANS 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God's kingdom here on earth. Two, it helps us strengthen each other's relationship with God the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. It becomes our roadmap to Heaven. Let's help each other get there!

Adoring the Body and Blood of Christ, let us ask him with our heart: "Lord, give me the daily bread to go forward, Lord, satisfy me with your presence!" Pope Francis



Rosters for June 17 & 18, 2023		Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A		
	Lector	Commentator	Usher/Welcomer	Musicians
Saturday June 17 5:00pm	YOUTH MASS	YOUTH MASS	L Kennedy	Alison, Amanda & Jeanne
Sunday June 18 9:30am	K & L Roy	M Tainsh	J & P Dal Pra	
Sunday June 18 5:00pm	E Joseph & M Alex	S Darby	M Noone	
Church Cleaning:	June 17	Hanratty Family Group		
Touring Statue of Our Lady:	June 11	L & P Van Der Velden		
<i>Mick's Kitchen:</i>	June 15	McLaughlin Team		
			June 18	P & J Dal Pra
			June 22	Cartledge Team

Entrance Antiphon Cf Ps 80:17

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

First Reading Dt 8:2-3 14-16

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 147:12-15 19-20 Rv12

(R.) Praise the Lord, Jerusalem

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
Zion, praise your God!
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you. *(R.)*
2. He has established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.
He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command. *(R.)*
3. He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees. *(R.)*

**Second Reading** 1 Cor 10:16-17

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf.

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 6:51-58

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life,

and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me

and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate:

they are dead,

but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Next weeks Readings**12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A**

1st Reading Jeremiah 20:10-13

2nd Reading Romans 5:12-15

Gospel Matthew 10:26-33