

# 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  
Confidence.masvosva@cdsale.org.au

**Priests' Residence:**  
5 Buckley Street, Yarram.  
**Parish Office:** 5182 5028  
PO Box 59 Yarram, 3971  
**Email:** [yarram@cdsale.org.au](mailto:yarram@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](mailto:yarram@cdsale.org.au)

**Office Hours:**  
Thursday 10.00am - 2.00pm  
Friday 10.00am - 2.00pm

**Safeguarding Officers**  
**Yarram**- Jennifer Heeraman-Nieuwenhuizen  
**Foster**- Gregory Gibson

**Maintenance Personnel**  
**Yarram** - Eugene Benc  
**Foster** - Julia Aldons

**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



**20TH OCTOBER 2024 - YEAR B**  
**29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**REFLECTION**

When we set out to follow Jesus, faithful to the promises that we made at baptism to renounce sin and live lives directed by the Spirit, we normally do so with generosity of heart. However, after we have borne the burdens of this decision and realise some of the implications of our commitment, we begin to wonder if it was worth it. We believe that God will generously bless us. Still, would it be so wrong to hope for a little more, especially if we have made significant sacrifices along the way?

Of those to whom much has been given, much will be required in return. The closer we are to Jesus, the more we will be expected to mirror him. The great ones in the reign of God, the ones who exercise authority over others, must be the servants of the rest. Parents, teachers, civil authorities, managers of every kind, pastoral leaders must all be servants, as Jesus was a servant. We will also have to drink from his cup of suffering and be baptised into his death. As we draw close to the one who gave his life as an offering for sin, we will find that the same self-sacrifice is being asked of us. When we struggle with the misfortunes that we face because of our commitment to Jesus, we will have him as an inspiration and a model to follow. He can sympathise with our weaknesses, identify with our suffering. We can draw strength from his example and hope from his kindness.

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**Weekday Mass Times - from Mon 21st Oct.**

Monday:	No Mass	
Tuesday:	Yarram	11.00am
Wednesday:	Foster- Bishop Greg	11.00am
Thursday:	Yarram	10.00am
Friday:	Yarram	10.00am

**SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

Saturday:	Toora: (Vigil)	4.30pm
	Fish Creek: (Vigil)	6.00pm
Sunday	Foster:	9.00am
	Yarram:	11.00am

**CATHOLIC MISSION**  
**WORLD MISSION DAY APPEAL**  
**SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER**  
Please give generously  
Envelopes available

**GO AND INVITE**  
**EVERYONE**  
to the banquet

**OCTOBER, MONTH OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY**

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - YARRAM

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

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - FOSTER

Fr. Confidence Masvosva, Ben Worsteling (Chairperson), Sandra Stefani (Deputy Chairperson), Julia Aldons (Secretary), Leanne Denbrok, John Denbrok (Youth Representative), Mary Gobel (Youth Representative), Duilio Stefani, Wilemena Low

### PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK YARRAM

**Sick:** Mary Willis, Therese Morris, Sr Anne Tuck, Pauline Kimber, Loretta Clark, Zena Purtic, Chanel Bassett, and all those we keep in our hearts. That they will be sustained by the care of our community.

**Recently Deceased:**

**Anniversaries:** Stanley Thornton, Margaret Turnbull, Fred Hughson, Richard Marshall, Ron Hunter, Maureen Were, Sr. Winifred Mahoney

**May they rest in peace.**

### PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK FOSTER

**Sick:** Margaret Bertram, Monica Midwinter, Mary Mason, Mary Slater, John Box, Dawn and Ashton Farrell, Jim Vuillermin, Colin Smith, Tracy van Kuyk and all those we keep in our hearts. That they will be sustained by the care of our community.

**Recently Deceased:**

**Anniversaries:** Tom Taylor, Patricia Turner, Wand Piorka, Bryan Dempsey

**May they rest in peace.**

**CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SALE**

*A day with the Spirit*

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL, SALE DIOCESE

MASS, PRAISE AND WORSHIP, TEACHING

**SATURDAY THE 26<sup>TH</sup> OF OCTOBER 2024**

**9:30AM - 4PM**

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, COMMERCIAL RD YARRAM

FR. CONFIDENCE, FR. FRANCIS, FR. MARK

TESTIMONY: MANDY EMANUEL

MUSICIANS: JULIE, VALDO & SHERIZE

Enquiries: Terry Harrington - 0456 116 061  
Jan Allgood - 0408 842 568

Theme: Fire of the Holy Spirit.  
"God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." Romans 5:5

Please bring a plate of finger food to share.

### FOSTER PARISH

#### Phase 2, Sale Diocese Consultation

**Wednesday 6th November @ 11.30am**

**St Joseph's Church, Foster**

Topic: "The Church Priorities for the next 5 Years"  
All parishioners are welcome!

### ST MARY'S CHURCH, YARRAM

This SUNDAY  
20th OCTOBER 2.00pm



### LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE IN LOVE...

**Marriage Encounter is coming to Trafalgar on  
November 16-17, 2024**

Every married couple deserves this very special weekend. Time-out to nurture your most precious relationship away from daily distractions. The two of you will come away from your weekend feeling more deeply connected and with tools to help keep the passion alive.

No group sharing required. The weekend is based around Catholic values. Couples of all faiths are welcome. Many married couples who experience this weekend regularly say they should have done it years ago!

**Please check our website for more details and to book your special weekend:** Starts Saturday morning at 07.30am and finishes Sunday afternoon around 4.30pm.

**Information/Bookings:** Please phone **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or Email: **vicbookings@wwme.org.au**

Website: **wwme.org.au**

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

#### For a shared mission

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.



Thank you to those making donations  
God bless your generosity

6.10.24 Planned Giving - \$274.50    Presbytery Collection - \$243.75

#### 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

13.10.24 Planned Giving - \$285.90    Presbytery Collection - \$83.40

#### 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 - OCTOBER**

**CHRSMTC. PRAYER GRP:** 1st & 3rd Tuesday of Month - 9.30am  
**MORNING TEA AFTER MASS:** 8th September, Finance comm.

**FOSTER PARISH DIARY - OCTOBER**

**FOSTER ROSARY:** Every Monday, 8.30am followed by Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

**FOSTER ROSARY:** Every Wednesday before 11am Mass

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

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

**Social stigma, poor access to services, and the harsh Mongolian winter mean that the most vulnerable people will often struggle to access the support they need to help them get back on their feet.**

Recognising this need, the Church has begun work on the House of Mercy. When completed, the House of Mercy will provide shelter to many in need, including people experiencing homelessness, domestic violence, or those in need of first aid services.

**As Pope Francis said during his 2023 visit to Mongolia, "This House of Mercy is meant to be the point of reference for a variety of charitable works, hands outstretched towards our brothers and sisters, struggling to navigate life's problems. A safe haven, in other words, where people can find a listening ear and an understanding heart".**

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to "Invite everyone to the Banquet" (Matthew 22:9), and we invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our brothers and sisters who need it most in Mongolia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, or going online at [catholicmission.org.au/Mongolia](http://catholicmission.org.au/Mongolia). Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.



**Freecall: 1800 257 296**  
**[Catholicmission.org.au/mongolia](http://Catholicmission.org.au/mongolia)**

**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.

**PARISH ROSTER—YARRAM**

**20th October**

**Commentator** S Telling  
**Reader** A M Robb  
**Offertory** Prisca & Noah  
**Special Minister** P McAninly  
**Counting** M Giliberto, Volunteer

**27th October**

**Commentator** L Giliberto  
**Reader** J Allgood  
**Offertory** J & B Kemp  
**Special Minister** J Purgar  
**Counting** P McAninly, J Papworth

**PARISH ROSTER—FOSTER**

**20th October**

**Counting** Ben & Roger  
**Commentator** D Pollard  
**Reader** M Gobel  
**Special Minister** F Vuillermin  
**Cleaners**

**27th October**

**Counting** Carmel & Tricia  
**Commentator** D Pollard  
**Reader** Des  
**Special Minister** C Van Kuyk  
**Cleaners** Greg & David

**FISH CREEK**

**19th October - 6.00pm MASS**

**Reader** Mary Scott

**26th October - 6.00pm MASS**

**Reader** Sandra Stefani

**TOORA**

**19th October - 4.30pm MASS**

(on rotation) J Moysey & W Lowe

**26th October - 4.30pm MASS**

(on rotation) J Moysey & W Lowe

## First Reading

Isaiah 53:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over

he shall see the light and be content.

By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

**The Word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

**(R.)** Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **(R.)**
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love. to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

## Second Reading

Hebrews 4:14-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

**The Word of the Lord**

## Gospel Acclamation

Mark 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.

Alleluia!

## Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

**The Gospel of the Lord**



*Next Weeks Readings - 27th Oct  
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

<i>First Reading</i>	<i>Jer 31:7-9</i>
<i>Responsorial Psalm</i>	<i>125</i>
<i>Second Reading</i>	<i>Heb 5:1-6</i>
<i>Gospel Acclamation</i>	<i>(Cf 2 Tim 1:10)</i>
<i>Gospel</i>	<i>Mk 10:46-52</i>