

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
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Priests' Residence:
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Parish Office: 5182 5028
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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:
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



14TH JULY 2024 - YEAR B
15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The Big Picture sets you free © Fr Michael Tate

As St Paul would have put it in terms of modern science, before the cosmos was big-banged into existence, before human creatures evolved over the aeons, before you were loved into existence through your parents, *God conceived of you*, 'God chose you in Christ'.

The universe was erupted into existence by Divine Ecstasy so that creatures might be drawn to evolve into human beings so that you, personally, might enjoy a wonderful destiny.

That destiny is to be an ensouled body totally transfigured by Divine Light, made radiant by Divine Energy, living through love in God's presence.

That is the Big Picture, the 'Very Big Picture'. Grasp that, or rather be grasped by that, and it will enable you to do things you would otherwise not risk doing. One way could be that portrayed in today's Gospel. Jesus could say to his missionary followers: "take no purse, no haversack" because they had an interior freedom from anxiety about the future, a freedom generated from knowing that they had been divinely loved even before time began.



You might take a moment to pray for the courage to make a generous response to the truth spoken directly to you by St Paul. 'Before the world was made, He chose you, chose you in Christ.'

NO WEEKDAY MASSES (will resume July 30)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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

St Bonaventure
Feast Day 15 July



"Men do not fear a powerful hostile army as the powers of hell fear the name and protection of Mary."



JULY, MONTH OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - YARRAM

Fr. Confidence Masvosva, Anne-Marie Robb (Chairperson) Maria Moore (Principal, Deputy Chairperson) Leonore Gilberto (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 Denbrosk, John Denbrosk (Youth Representative), Mary Gobel (Youth Representative), Duilio Stefani, Wilemena Low

PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK YARRAM

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

Recently Deceased: Lindsay Kemsley

Anniversaries: Kathleen Rice, Annie Moore, David Ritchie, Corry Kooloos, Ellen Brickle, Frank Nippard, Arthur Collins, Patricia Geiger, Marjory O'Connor, Silvia Filmer, Dan Kirk, Sebastian Gienfriddo

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: Kevin Matthews, Corry Kooloos, Jean Welford, Ellen Brickle, Brendan Ryan, Jacoba Van Lith

May they rest in peace.

CONFIRMATION

On July 28th, Bishop Greg will be joining us at St Mary's 11.00am Mass to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.



Everyone is invited to stay back after Mass to enjoy a light luncheon with the Bishop and the newly Confirmed, and to welcome back Fr Confidence.

A plate to share would be most appreciated.

RCIA Diocesan Workshop

'Rejuvenating your Parish RCIA'

Invitation to: Clergy, RCIA Coordinators, RCIA teams and interested parishioners.

Date: Saturday 3rd August

Start: 9.30am for a 10.00am start

Venue: Sion House, 6 Witton St Warragul

Finish: 1.00pm Lunch and Fellowship

Presenter: Fr Elio Capra

Lunch and morning tea will be provided.

You will need to enter door from Connor Street.

Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/CTDHA>

Joan Robertson: St Joseph's Parish Office: 5623 1642

JUNE-JULY: Parish Diocesan Consultation meeting: Phase 1 - Review



Thank you to all who attended one of our First Phase of the Diocesan Consultation meetings. Many stories were shared and listened to.

Many thanks to Anne-Marie Robb who facilitated the meetings and also to Maureen Harkin for her many hours of organization behind the scenes.

St Mary's Church Cleaning

Volunteers are needed to help Clean our church. Please let the office know if you can get a group together or would like to be a part of one.



Many hands make light work!

Consultation Process 2024

TIMELINE



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7.7.24 Planned Giving - \$	Presbytery Collection - \$
Foster Church Account	Foster Presbytery Account
NAB—BSB 083-879	NAB—BSB 083-879
Account No—527413354	Account No—296638619

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7.7.24 Planned Giving - \$416.05	Presbytery Collection - \$80.00
Yarram Church Account	Yarram Presbytery Account
NAB—BSB 083-879	NAB—BSB 083-879
Account No—527668496	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**

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 - JULY
CONFIRMATION: Sunday 28th July –St Mary’s Yarram
CHRSMTC. PRAYER GRP: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of Month - 9.30am
MORNING TEA AFTER MASS: 28th July, Liturgy Group

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

TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION  **THE SEASON OF CREATION** is fast approaching. It’s a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together. During the Season of Creation, we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home. As you’re no doubt aware, the season starts 1 September, World Day of Prayer for Creation, and ends 4 October, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology beloved by many Christian denominations. Throughout the month-long celebration, the world’s 2.2 billion Christians come together to care for our common home. It’s a wonderful opportunity for Earthcare Parishes to promote and celebrate their Earthcare journey with their wider community - a great opportunity for moving forward, particularly on the Goal of Ecological Education and Ecological Spirituality. The Season of Creation Celebration Guide has just been launched. You can download it at:
EN_Celebration_Guide_Season of Creation.pdf - Google Drive

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD

*We stand before You Holy Spirit
as we gather together in Your name.*

*With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.*

*We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.*

*Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey
together to eternal life and not stray
from the of truth and what is right.*

*All this we ask of You who are at work
in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son
forever and ever.*

AMEN

SEASONS OF CREATION CONVOCATION INVITATION

 **SEASON OF CREATION CONVOCATION 2024**
wonder · weave · heal

Catholic Earth care a part of Caritas Australia, is inviting you to join the Season of Creation Convocation! **Date: Thursday, Sept 12th - Saturday, 14th September**
Cost: \$100 for 3 days. Groups of 4 or more receive a 50% discount!

You can also register for 1 or 2 days with the same group discount.
 The Diocesan Hub experience includes morning tea and lunch.
 For more information and to register, visit <https://www.caritas.org.au/soc-convocation>).

PARISH ROSTER—YARRAM

14th July	
Commentator	S Telling
Reader	J Allgood
Offertory	Sampson family
Special Minister	K Foat
Counting	J Papworth, P McAninly
21st July	
Commentator	L Giliberto
Reader	E Benc
Offertory	J & J Papworth
Special Minister	S Telling
Counting	A & J Sampson

PARISH ROSTER—FOSTER

14th July	
Counting	Carmel & Tricia
Commentator	D Pollard
Reader	F Vuillermin
Special Minister	G Gibson
Cleaners	
21st July	
Counting	Des & Leon
Commentator	D Pollard
Reader	Des
Special Minister	L Denbroke
Cleaners	D & S Conroy

FISH CREEK

13th July -	6.00pm MASS
Reader	Nadia Stefani
20th July -	6.00pm MASS
Reader	Mary Scott
TOORA	
13th July -	4.30pm LITURGY
(on rotation)	J Moysey & W Lowe
20th July -	4.30pm LITURGY
(on rotation)	J Moysey & W Lowe

First Reading

Amos 7:12-15

A reading from the prophet Amos

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."' "

The Word of the Lord**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven. (R.)
3. The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.

Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight.

He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end:

that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came.

Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it:

and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance

which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

The Word of the Lord**Gospel Acclamation**

See Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our hearts
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:7-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord

Next Weeks Readings - 21st July
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<i>First Reading</i>	<i>Jer 231-6</i>
<i>Responsorial Psalm</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>Second Reading</i>	<i>Eph 2:13-18</i>
<i>Gospel Acclamation</i>	<i>(Jn 10:27)</i>
<i>Gospel</i>	<i>Mk 30-34</i>