Our Sunday Liturgy:

**Introduction:**
We are all called to be of service to one another as disciples of Jesus. This means being prepared to cast aside our comforts and security.

**Entrance Antiphon (or Hymn):**
Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

**1st Reading:**
A reading from the prophet Jeremiah: 31: 7-9
I shall lead them back in mercy – both the blind and the lame.

**Responsorial Psalm:**
The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

**2nd Reading:**
A reading from the letter to the Hebrews: 5: 1-6
You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

**Gospel Acclamation:**
Alleluia, Alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

**Gospel:**
A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark: 10: 46-52
Master, grant that I may see.

**Mystery of Faith:**
When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim Your Death, O Lord, until You come again.

**Communion Antiphon:**
We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

**Message to take home:**
St. Therese of Lisieux felt terribly inadequate, did not consider herself to have much to offer God, in a time when people associated holiness with heroic enterprises and extraordinary graces. We can be tempted to discouragement in a world in which the Faith is treated as being increasingly irrelevant and people are falling away. What can we do? St. Therese did an extraordinary amount for God with very little gifts. St. Therese did not become depressed with her feelings of inadequacy, she said: “I have to accept myself as I am, with all my faults.” Despair is the ruination of souls, it is a lack of the hope we are called to have. Jesus said that we are to call him “Abba” Father, that we are to approach him as little children. St. Therese who had a great love for Scripture did not find in the Bible the words: You need to improve. I’m not happy with you-what you’re doing isn’t enough.” Instead she found: “All you who labour, who are bent under the weight of your burden, who find the demands of the Law too heavy, come to me, for I am gentle and humble of heart, and you will find rest for your souls.” We can have no real influence for good if we are not people of peace, and we cannot have the peace which only God can give if we do not trust in Him.

**CONGRATULATIONS:**
To the Children receiving their First Holy Communion this weekend our thoughts and prayers are with you always and especially on this special day.
WEEKEND MASSES:

Rosary before Mass:

MAFFRA: Sunday 9.00am
HEYFIELD: Saturday 6.00pm
COWWARR: 1st & 3rd Sunday 11.00am
NEWRY: 2nd & 4th Sunday 11.00am
DARGO: 5th Sunday 12 noon - 29th Nov

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Maffra:
** MONDAYS: availability will be announced at Masses the Sunday prior. **
28th Oct: Wed 5.00pm followed by ½ hour Adoration & Reconciliation
29th Oct: Thur. 9.30am
30th Oct: Fri. 10.15am Whole School Mass with St Vinnies for Deceased Souls
31st Oct: Sat. 9.30am followed by ½ Reconciliation

Heyfield:
27th Oct: Tues. 9.30am

RECONCILIATION:

Maffra: Saturday – For Half Hour after 9.30am Mass
Heyfield: 5.20pm-5.45pm prior to Saturday evening Mass

RECITATION OF HOLY ROSARY:

Maffra: Before Masses in May and October
Heyfield: Tuesdays at 9.15am (Except on 2nd Tuesday - at Laurina Lodge 10am)
Newry: Thursday at 7.30pm
Cowwarr: Wednesday at 9.45am

MAFFRA: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Wednesdays 5pm
Mass & Adoration in Church until 6pm
1st Friday of the month - 10.15 Mass (Healing and Anointing)
COWWARR: 1st Friday of the month – night

HOLY ROSARY: Before Saturday Masses at Heyfield
Maffra: 1st Thursday – 9am before Mass (for Mothers and unborn babies)
Newry: Every Thursday – 7.30pm (No Rosary during January)

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED:

Anniversaries: Francis Morgan, Marie Traynor, James Bourke, Catherine Harkin, Aileen Smith, Margaret Mahony, Ian Weatherley, Austin Gannon, Irene Michalak, Joe Debono.
Frs. Peter Curran, Patrick Francis Sterling.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Pat McMahon, Leo Dwyer, Mons Bill Caffrey, Evelyn Bourke, Chas Bagguley, Geraldine, Monika Dyblik, Ann Martin, Fr. Bernie O’Brien, Rosa Pappas, Jack Cullen, Lee Allman, Gerry Gray, Judith Shaw, Tao Pham, Father Frank, Helen Garrigan, Maree Welsh, Laura Mowat, Xavier Mills, Helen Bokulic, and all those who seek our prayers.

CENACLE PRAYER GROUP CHANGES: Cenacles for the 29th October will be held at the Chapel in Maffra Motor Inn, 184 Johnson Street, Maffra till the end of the year. New Members Welcome!

MAFFRA ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE will join with the school at the 10-15am Mass on 30th October as the Conference Mass for deceased members. All family members and friends are welcome to attend as we remember those members who are no longer with us.

OCTOBER IS MISSION MONTH: THEME: LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR AS YOURSELF.
St Mary’s Parish contributes 2% of their Planned Giving, but for further donations there are envelopes available at the back of all Churches. Please help those less fortunate.

ST. MARY’S FLOWER ROSTER: We are calling for an additional 3 or 4 ladies to join St Mary’s flower roster. If you would like to be part of this important parish activity we would love to hear from you. For details of what is involved please contact Pat Gray on 51 471720.

MAFFRA FINANCE MEETING: will be held on Thursday 29th October in the Presbytery at 7.30pm.
MAFFRA:

LITURGY: Sun: 1st Nov Leanda Helmke
COUNTING TEAM: Sun. (tonight) 25th Barry & Judy Bennett

RECORDER: Sun: 1st Nov Chris Durrant & Val Johnstone

LECTOR: Sun: 1st Nov Terry Donohoe
COMMENTATOR: Sun: 1st Nov Leanda Helmke

COMPUTER OPERATOR: Sun: 1st Nov Kevin Christensen (Please be here to set up by 8.30)

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: Sun. 1st Nov Frank Hall, Sylvia Neaves +1

COLLECTORS: Sun: 1st Nov Jean Greenslade, Peter Smyth + helpers

COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Sun. 1st Nov Judie Roberts
FLOWERS: Sun. 1st Nov Sue Curry & Coral Justice
HOLY VESSELS: (Month Of Nov ) Angie Coleman
SACRISTY: Sun. 1st Nov Barb & Rob

HEYFIELD:

COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Sat. 31st Oct George Bogusz
READER: Sat. 31st Oct George Bogusz
OFFERTORY PROCESSION: Sat. 31st Oct Pittari Family
FLOWERS: Sat. 31st Oct Christine Donohue
LINEN: Month of Nov Maureen Coleman

COWWARR:

READER: Sun. 1st Nov John O’Brien
CLEANING: Month Of Nov Geraldine Morgan

PLANNED GIVING:

MAFFRA: Envelopes $ 227 Presbytery $ 260
Heyfield: Envelopes $ 399 Presbytery $ 136

PLEASE NOTE: we have changed our email address. marymaf@aussiebb.com.au Thank you!!

TO THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT: Heart Region Catholic Youth Invite you to join us for AFTERNOON TEA WITH BISHOP PAT, Chapter House, St. Mary’s Cathedral Sale, November 7th from 2pm.
Christa Dwyer 51451415, Aimee Hanratty 0400902834 Jennifer Fitzgerald 0421910448

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS MAFFRA: There will be a cuppa after 9am Mass today to help celebrate.

THANK YOU: to all those who helped and supported the garden day. It was a wonderful day with $1200 raised. It is much appreciated from the Heart Region Youth.
The raffle winners are:
1st Prize: Trailer of Mulch:- Marieta Spiers,
2nd Prize: Garden Supplies:- Mrs Little,
3rd Prize: 3 Pot Plants:- Marianne Pedersen

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES: Father will be Blessing graves at Toongabbie Cemetery at 2pm & Glenmaggie Cemetery at 4pm on Friday 30th October, Heyfield Cemetery at 2pm on 31st October and Maffra Cemetery at 2pm on 1st November.

MASSES FOR THE ALL SOULS DAY on Monday 2nd November will be Maffra 8.30am and Cowwarr 10am.

WONNANGATTA/ LAKE COBBLER/ CRAIG’S HUT AND MORE! 4X4 Mountain top experience!
Thurs: Leaving St. Ita’s Church Newry 5.30pm sharp to Eaglevale via Waterford (Camping at Eaglevale).
Fri: Leave early with a possible visit to Harry Smith’s Hut. Travel through Wonnangatta to Lake Cobbler via Catherine Station and Cobbler’s track. Camp at Lake Cobbler next 2 nights.
Sat: Day trip to Mt. Speculation? Mt. Sterling & Craig’s Hut (From Man from Snowy River Movie).
Sun: Mass with Fr. Jeff Klenjans Sunday morning. Home via Woods Point and Aberfeldy.
Cost: $50 Donation per vehicle requested to help fund Cowwarr St. Joseph’s retreat centre. (Travellers from away may like to stay there). Donation for fuel if not travelling in own vehicle.
For any further information: Don Dwyer: 51451415 /0428556636 christadwyer@bigpond.com
DIARY
Thur 29th Oct – Cenacle Prayer Group – 10.30am
Thur 29th Oct – Maffra Finance Meeting – 7.30pm
Mon 2nd Nov – Parish Tea – Macalister Hotel – 6.30pm – All Welcome!
Sat 7th Nov – Vinnies Monster Sale – Jack Kelly Store Maffra – 9-10.30am
Sat 7th Nov – Afternoon Tea with Bishop Pat – 2pm – Chapter House (RSVP 5th Nov)
Tues 10th Nov – Maffra CWL Meeting – 1.30pm
Thur 12th – Sun 15th Nov 4x4 Experience – Wonnangatta, Lake Cobbler and beyond……

ORDINariate SERVICES:
Mass: Sunday: Heyfield: 10am
Mass & Adoration: Wednesday: Cowwarr: 10am
Evensong & Benediction: 4th Sunday of the month: Heyfield: 4pm
Mass: 2nd Saturday of the Month - 11am Mirboo North Catholic Church

This week on The Journey Fr Richard Healey reflects on the Gospel of Mark; Sr Hilda Scott OSB reminds us that the only thing that really matters is God’s Unconditional Love and Fr Dave Callaghan assures us that the hope of the Resurrection will change our life. The Pirolas in their Smart Loving segment remind us of “The Power of Ritual” in marriage. Tune into LIFE 103.9 FM Sun 10am or go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

GREENMOUNT CATHOLIC CEMETERY GATHERING: A Mass of All Souls will be celebrated by Bishop Patrick O’Regan at the Greenmount Catholic Cemetery, via Yarram, on Saturday, October 31st at 3:00pm. Greenmount, established in 1859, is one of the few Catholic cemeteries in Australia, and is an historic Gippsland site. Many of Gippsland’s Catholic pioneers are interred there, including Fr Philip Kavanagh, the first priest to die in Gippsland, in 1883. The Centenary of the laying of St Mary’s church foundation stone will be celebrated on the Sunday at 10:00am Mass. All are welcome. More information? Call St Mary’s parish on 5182 5028 or e-mail: stmarysyarram@bigpond.com

EMAILED COPY OF THE MASS BULLETIN
If you would like to receive an email copy of the Mass Bulletin every week, please contact Ed O’Brien on norathlon@gmail.com. The bulletin is sent as a pdf. Your email is BCC’d (blind copied). Or you could also contact the office on 51 47 1921 or email: marymaf@aussiebb.com.au

ACTION FOR LIFE
According to the 1980 declaration from the Vatican, Jura et Bona, euthanasia or “mercy killing” is defined as “an action or an omission which of itself or by intention causes death, in order that all suffering may in this way be eliminated”. Our country is on a collision course with euthanasia. Think about this issue now and work to change the course or else you may end up a victim of it.
Living the Gospel of Life
US Bishops 1998

Action for Life members seek your ongoing prayers for the Infant Viability Act which is due to be introduced into our state Parliament shortly. We will keep you posted as more details come to light.

Worried by a present or past pregnancy? We may be able to help with referrals.

Please contact Rosemary on 0412 365 377 Action for Life

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