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This Week's Mass Schedule

06/05/2025	**Wednesday**	**8:00am**
07/05/2026	**Thursday**	**12:00pm**
08/05/2026	**Friday**	**9:15am**
09/05/2026	**Saturday**	**6:00pm**
10/05/2026	**Sunday**	
	Maryborough	**8:00am**
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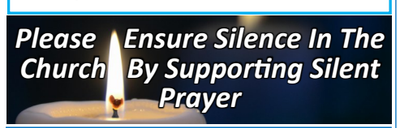
1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

READINGS

Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year A
(p.325- in St Pauls Missal)
- **1st** - Acts 6:1-7
- **Psalm** - Ps 32 Resp. hymns page
- **2nd** - 1 Peter 2:4-9
- **Gospel Accl.** hymns page
- **Gospel** - John 14:1-12

Next weekend: Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year A (p.329).
- **1st** - Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
- **Psalm** - 65
- **2nd** - 1 Peter 3:15-18
- **Gospel** - John 14:15-21



Our Parish Prayer

Heavenly Father, Maryborough's St Mary's Parish and School Family are Earnestly in need of Your Loving Care more than ever before. Through Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Grant that Your Holy Spirit may Enlighten the Eyes of our Minds. To guide us all to believe more and to Deepen our Faith, Hope and Trust in you. ***Amen***

ST MARY'S MARYBOROUGH

Newsletter 3rd May 2026
Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year A

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

I am the way, the truth and the life

The word of God today challenges us to revisit the reason of being a believing community – the church: (the body of Christ) to continue to experience God in Jesus, and to mediate that experience in the world. In the 2nd reading of today (1Pet 2:4-9), Peter addresses us as a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God…" Being a community of believers, therefore is a privilege and a challenge: privilege to experience God in His church; challenge, to be able to spread and share that experience.

In the Gospel Jesus declares, "I am the way, the truth, and the life (Jn 14:6)"; "Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father" (Jn 14:9)! This is the core of our Christian faith: to experience God in Jesus through our faith community and through the Eucharist. Thomas-a-Kempis wrote in the 15th century, "Without the Way, there is no going. Without the Truth, there is no knowing. Without the Life, there is no living." The world today, as ever, needs the Way, the Truth and the Life. Are we ready to set our priorities, right?

Finally, the way of Jesus is the way of the cross, it is the humble way of dying to oneself that others may live, it is the way of turning away from sin and being faithful to the gospel. We thank God for the living stone, who is Jesus; we thank God for ourselves as the living stones forming his body. We thank God that through baptism we are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, and a consecrated nation. In our eucharist now let us sing the praises of God, who has brought us light and life, the truth and way, through Him and in Him and with Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Peace be with you!
Fr Lucius

Mass Attendance Count

The annual mass attendance count happens in the month of May for the Parish church, other Churches in the parish or Mass centre. The mass attendance count is taken for four consecutive weekends starting from May 2nd. Usually, the counting happens along with collection.

Piety Stall: Please visit our piety stall if you wish to buy some religious articles. Piety stall is situated on the right side of the church as you enter through the main entrance.

Every first Thursday at St. Mary's Church from 11:15am to 11:45am followed by Holy Mass at 12:00 PM.

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Fundraising for Church Maintenance:

Should you feel you can help, the church account details for online donations are:

Account name: St. Mary's Parish
BSB: 064786
Account number: 100026161

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Fundraising Team Meeting:

We cordially invite all to attend the fundraising team meeting on 6th May at 4:30 pm in the Parish Hall Meeting Room. Your involvement is invaluable, and together we can make a meaningful impact — thank you for your commitment and presence.

Garage Sale

We will have Garage Sale on the last Thursday of each month.

Please continue to contribute quality materials for this event through the Parish Office from Tuesday to Friday.

If you are planning to deliver a large quantity of items, we recommend parking near the garage and kindly ask that you contact the Parish Office to arrange access.

Leading up to each monthly sale we would appreciate help with pricing and setting up. Enquiries to Glenda on 0401307110

Men's Group Barbecue

is scheduled for **Saturday, 9 May 2026**.

Location: Near Parish Hall

Time: 11:00 am.

(Participants are requested to BYO Drinks; soft drinks will be available at the venue).

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Sacrament of Confirmation 2026

For children in years 3 and above and they have been baptised Catholic and Parents wish for their child to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

All Sessions will be at St. Mary's Church Maryborough

- **1st Session and Parent Information Meeting**: Saturday 16th May - 5pm.
- **2nd Session**: Saturday 23rd May - 5pm.
- **3rd Session**: Saturday 30th May - 5pm.
- **4th Session**: Saturday 6th June - 5pm.
- **5th Session**: Saturday 13th June - 5pm.
- **6th Session**: Saturday 20th June - 5pm. (Practice night).
- **CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT**: Sunday 21st June 8am Mass - St. Mary's.

Entrance: Sing a New Song

Refrain:
Sing a new song unto the Lord;
Let your song be sung from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord,
Singing alleluia.

Shout with gladness, dance for joy.
O come before the Lord.
And play for him on glad tambourines,
and let your trumpet sound.

Rise, O children, from your sleep;
Your Saviour now has come.
He has turned your sorrow to joy,
And filled your soul with song.

Glad my soul for I have seen
The glory of the Lord.
The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised,
I know my Saviour lives.

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Psalm Response:

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

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Communion: Our Supper Invitation

Take of My Bread and eat, drink My new Wine.
Take of My life and live, branch of My vine.
Let Me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.
Don't be afraid to dream; love has its will.

Take up your burden now, walk 'til you find
Just what the journey means; walk while there's time.
Food for the journey will answer your need.
Don't be afraid to walk; love, My love will lead.

Take of My Bread and eat, drink My new Wine.
Be a sweet nourishment to good friends of Mine.
Let Me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.
Share with your people, that love has its will.

Take of My Bread and eat, drink My new Wine.
Take of My life and live, branch of My vine.

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Thanksgiving: A Trusting Psalm

Refrain:
Lord, let your mercy be on us
As we place our trust in you.

The word of the Lord is faithfulness and love.
His love can never be measured.
His beauty is like nothing we have ever seen,
So let us place our trust in him. R/.

The word of the Lord means a patient, gentle God.
His love can never grow weary.
His mercy is as though our sins have never been,
If we can place our trust in him. R/.

The word of the Lord is fire burning strong.
His love can never grow weary.
He will seek and save the lost until we all return,
So let us place our trust in him. R/.

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Recessional: This Day was Made by the Lord

Refrain:
This day was made by the Lord,
Let us rejoice, let us be glad!
This day was made by the Lord,
Let us rejoice in salvation.

I thank You, Your love is eternal.
You have given me life.
You have given me life.
I will proclaim the wonders You do. R./

Your Hand raised me up in triumph.
You have given me life.
You have given me life.
I will proclaim the wonders You do. R./

The stone which the builders rejected
Is the cornerstone.
Is the cornerstone.
I will proclaim the wonders You do. R./.

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Please remember in your prayers:

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The Recently Deceased:
Graham Neill and Glenda Cunningham.

Anniversary of Death: Steven Wroe, Kevin Schmidt, Agnes Mallet, Elwyn Baxter, Margaret Twomey and Michael Hogan.