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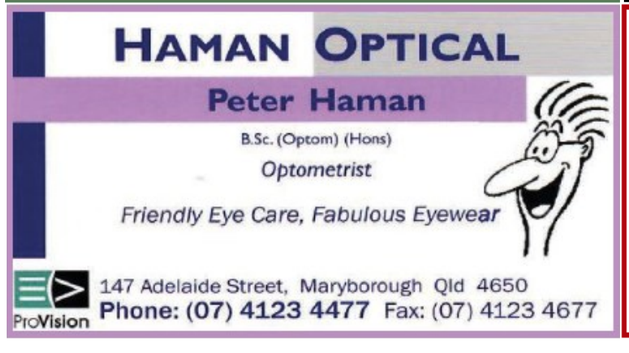
ROSTER	Sun 7 Feb.	Sun 8 Feb.	Sun 14 Feb.	Sun 15 Feb.
Welcomer	Warren	Anne	Beverley	Susan
1st Reader	Felicity	Gail	Mary	Gerard
2nd Reader:	Steve	Pat	Ron	Peter
Communion	Wayne Judy	Cris —————	Warren Beverley	Con Rebecca
Servers	Sophie Nicholas Charlotte Isabella	Xavier Rafel Felix	Han Chet	Elisse Pius
Musicians	Robyn	Justin	Rita	Amy
Singers	Janette	Theresa	Choir	College
Mass set up	Carmel	David Rebecca	Gerry	David Rebecca
Morning Tea		Perry		
Floral Arrgmt	Sue Flavel and Jennifer Williams			



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This Week's Mass Schedule

11/02/2025	**Wednesday**	**8:00am**
12/02/2026	**Thursday**	**12:00pm**
13/02/2026	**Friday**	**9:15am**
14/02/2026	**Saturday**	**6:00pm**
15/02/2026	**Sunday**	
	Maryborough	**8:00am**
	Tiaro	**10:00am**

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

READINGS

5th Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year A (p.375) in St Pauls Missal)
- **1st** - Isaiah 58:7-10
- **Psalm** - Ps 111 Resp. hymns page
- **2nd** - 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
- **Gospel Accl.** hymns page
- **Gospel** - Matthew 5:13-16

Next weekend: 6th Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year A (p.383).
- **1st** - Sirach 15:15-20
- **Psalm** - 118
- **2nd** - 1 Corinthians 2:6-10
- **Gospel** - Matthew 5:17-37

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 8th February 2026
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

"You are the light of the world."

Because of our Baptism, we are asked to live in a way that, through our actions, others are attracted to Jesus. In Baptism, Christ's disciples have clothed themselves with a new self, "created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness" (Ephesians 4:24).

In our Baptism, we receive a white garment symbolizing that we have put on Christ and, in doing so, have made a commitment to live in a way that is congruent with the Gospel. At Baptism, we receive a candle that is lit from the Easter candle to signify that the light of Christ has enlightened us, that we are the light of the world. Through Baptism, we become a part of the People of God.

The mission of the People of God, through their Baptism, is to be salt of the earth and light of the world, a source of hope, and salvation for all of humanity (see CCC, number 782). "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house" (5:14–15). By our Baptism, we are to give witness to the light of Christ that dwells within us by the good works we do. We often refer to these good works as works of mercy. Through these good works, we meet our neighbours' spiritual and bodily needs (see CCC, number 2447). This kind of charity, extended to everyone, is the hallmark of a disciple of Jesus.

Matthew wants the members of his community to be consciously aware of their roles as disciples of Jesus. A disciple of Jesus is called beyond simply expressing Jesus as Lord and Savior to putting that profession of faith into action. In comparing Jesus's followers to salt, Matthew is saying that a disciple of Jesus needs to improve the quality of human existence and preserve it from destruction. In addition, Matthew challenges his community members to let their light shine as a witness to their fidelity to Jesus in a time when one could be persecuted for the outward expression of faith.

Another property of salt is that it can be a catalyst in regard to fire. It makes the fire burn more brightly, thus giving off more light. In using this metaphor, we gain a new insight into discipleship. As catalysts, the disciples of Jesus are to give off light through their lifestyle—showing others the way to Jesus.

Jesus, as the salt of the earth, created light for others in darkness. This light gave sight to some, enabling them to understand who Jesus truly was—the Son of God. Others, experiencing this same light, got burned and responded by putting him to death.

How do we respond to the light of Christ? How do we imitate Jesus, the salt of the earth, in our lives today? © Copyright Liturgy Brisbane 2026

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Men's Group Barbecue

The Men's Group is pleased to announce a recurring barbecue event, scheduled for the first Saturday of every second month. Please see the dates below:

- Saturday, 7 March 2026
- Saturday, 2 May 2026
- Saturday, 4 July 2026
- Saturday, 5 September 2026
- Saturday, 7 November 2026

Location: Near Parish Hall

Time: 11:00 am.

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

Kindly RSVP by registering on the list near the Piety Stall at least two weeks prior to the event. We look forward to your participation.

Newsletter Sponsorship

Become a sponsor

We are currently seeking to renew our Newsletter Sponsorship. If you wish to advertise your business in the Parish Newsletter, please contact the Parish Office.

We extend our sincere thanks to those businesses that have already confirmed their ongoing financial support of the newsletter. Your continued contributions are greatly appreciated.

We also encourage parishioners to support these businesses in return and to consider them whenever you need services they provide.

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Safeguarding Commitment

We have zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in our activites, ministries and services.

The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.

Most Reverend Mark Coleridge
Archbishop of Brisbane

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Entrance:
Bring Forth the Kingdom

You are salt for the earth, O people:
Salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavour of life, O people:
Life in the Kingdom of God!

Refrain: ***Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,***
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
Bring forth the City of God!

You are a light on the hill, O people:
Light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
Shine for the Kingdom of God!

You are a seed of the Word, O people:
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
Grow in the Kingdom of God!

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Psalm Response:

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
the man who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Communion:
Unless a Grain of Wheat

Refrain: ***Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die,***
It remains but a single grain with no life.

If we have died with Him then we shall live with Him,
If we hold firm we shall reign with Him. R/.

If any one serves Me then they must follow Me;
Wherever I am My servants will be. R/.

Make your home in Me as I make Mine in you;
Those who remain in Me bear much fruit. R/.

If you remain in Me and My Word lives in you;
Then you will be My disciples. R/.

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Thanksgiving: Receive the Light

Receive the light of Christ,
May He shine within our heart,
May the Christ light fill us
With joy and peace. (Repeat)

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Recessional:
Lord, the Light of Your Love

Lord, the light of Your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth You now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain: ***Shine, Jesus, shine,***
Fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth Your Word, Lord,
And let there be light.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence,
From the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me. R./

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
So our faces display Your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story.
Shine on me, shine on me. R./

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Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Michael Dessousa, Trevor Spencer, Josephine Toriaga, Chona Hall, Ewa Danda, Christine Waerner, Agnes Martel, Christine Chu, Vince Dollisson, Leo G. Amar, Alfonso Diaz, Jenny Camilleri, Bohdan Pastuch, Janet Jackson, Joan Lucas, Betty Hove, Evelyn Keys and Ame Cox.

The Recently Deceased: Gloria Gray, Rita Sempf, Doris Fernandez and Sebastian Manjooran.

Anniversary of Death: Jerome Parker, John Charles Hunt and Edward James Rooney.