

**OUR LADY OF THE WAYSIDE
MARYVALE**

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[http:// maryvale.co.za](http://maryvale.co.za) **for updates!**

Holy Mass
Monday to Friday: 6am and 6pm
Saturday morning: 8am

Sunday Masses
Saturday evening vigil Mass 6pm
Sunday: 8am, 10.30am, 6pm

Benediction
Every Friday 5.45pm

Eucharistic Adoration
Every day from 6am to 6pm: swipe
card access to chapel

Confessions
Monday to Thurs 5.30pm–5.50pm
Friday 5pm–5.45pm
Saturday 10.30am–12pm
Saturday 4.30pm–5.30pm

Requirements:
Baptism - Notice of 3
months
Marriage - Notice of 6
months

Banking Details for Maryvale:
Bank: Standard Bank
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 31 December

18h00 - Intentions of Kevin Eales & family;

Midnight Mass: *Missa Pro Populo* – For the People.

Sunday 1 January: Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

08h00 - Antonio, Maria & Amelia de Canha RIP.
10h30 - *Missa Pro Populo* – For the People.
06h00 - Joseph Pearton RIP.

Monday 2 January: Sts Basil the Great & Gregory Nazanzien

09h00 - Intentions of the Descroizilles family;

Tuesday 3 January: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

06h00 - Serafim Fernandes, Norman, Romeo & Flora

Tavira RIP.

18h00 - Intentions of Kelvin & Sandra Quarsingh.

Wednesday 4 January

06h00 - Eugene Donnelly RIP.
18h00 - Dick Descroizilles RIP and for the Intentions
of the Descroizilles family.

Thursday 5 January

06h00 - Irene, Flora, Willie & Denkie Watkinson RIP.
18h00 - Margaret Da Silva RIP.

Friday 6 January

06h00 - Eugene Donnelly RIP.
08h00 - Juan Jaime Fernandes RIP.
18h00 - Intentions of Susan Littler.

Saturday 7 January

08h00 - In thanksgiving.

PRAY FOR THE CHRONICALLY ILL:

George Nizetich, Gaetano Carleo, Barbara McLaren,
Terry Stavrinis, Dougie Khoury, Mrs McLennan,
Sheila Hartin, Giacomo Cusano, Jose Adelino
Mendonca, Tony Duarte, Itumeleng Mkalipi, Arnaldo
Ansermino, Rob van Schalkwyk, Tony Schamotta,
Delia Torrente, Antonietta Merolla, Cameron Campbell,

For the attention of adults who wish Baptism and/or

Confirmation: Registration for **R.C.I.A. classes** for
2012 is on Wednesday 11 January at 18h15 in the parish
centre. All are welcome. Phone Ivor on 082-497-5776.

Catholic Adults wishing to update their understanding of
Catechism & Sacred Scripture are invited to attend the
2012 **Adult Enquiry Group**. Registration is as above:
same date, same place, same time, with Ivor.

WEEKLY PROGRAMME

The Meditation, Bible Discussion, Charismatic
and Adult Enquiry Groups will recommence in the
second week of 2012.

New Year 2012

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

The year of grace 2011 has drawn to a close.
The new year of grace 2012 is beginning, a
time of new hope for every Christian heart.
Our year began in Advent; now we join that
spiritual new year to the common new year
as we cross another threshold of hope. Let us
take up this new year “with both hands”! In
2012, let us not miss *any* chances to grow in
the life of virtue: in faith, in hope, in true
love.

In order to begin afresh, we must also take
stock of what has been. How did I spend
2011? What resolutions did I make back then,
and have I been able to keep them? In the
midst of all hardships, all uncertainty,
perhaps fear and anxiety, even loss, even
death, was I able to discern the outline of a
divine plan – God’s loving fatherly presence
in my life, even in moments of sadness and
despair? What is there that I should have
done differently? Or should not have done at
all? Let me decide, HERE and NOW, that in
2012, this will be different. If I was more of a
hindrance to God’s will being done in my life
than actually being a faithful servant, well,
then I’m going to change that in this year that
starts today.

In 2012, I am going to live a *fully*
sacramental life – not just coping with the
bare minimum (once a year confession, once
a year Communion), but I will go to frequent
confession, so that I can also live fully the
life of grace offered to me in the Eucharist. I
will receive the Body and Blood of the Lord
full of awe and respect and love, so that I will
LIVE a Eucharistic life: united to my family,
united to the holy People of God, united to
the Pope and the Bishops. This will be my
path to happiness, my road to freedom, to
true peace, and to eternal life. On this World
Day of Peace, let us start with peace in our

own hearts, and peace in our families.

Here are a few words of wisdom to accompany
us into the New Year, from one of the greatest
Catholic writers of all time, GK Chesterton:
“The object of a New Year is not that we
should have a new year. It is that we should
have a new soul and a new nose; new feet, a
new backbone, new ears, and new eyes. Unless
a particular man made New Year resolutions,
he would make no resolutions. Unless a man
starts afresh about things, he will certainly do
nothing effective. Unless a man starts on the
strange assumption that he has never existed
before, it is quite certain that he will never exist
afterwards. Unless a man be born again, he
shall by no means enter into the Kingdom of
Heaven”.

Let us in 2012 remember the powerful and
motherly intercession of Our Lady of the
Wayside, our pilgrim mother who accompanies
us every step of our journey. She is the key to
her Son, the faithful witness who leads us back
to Him: “Do what He tells you”, she says to the
servants at the wedding feast at Cana, and she
says this to us too.

Fiat, Lord! Let your will be done in our lives in
2012! **Amen! Happy New Year 2012!**

Wow! You have done it again. The ladies who
arrange the flowers were overwhelmed by your
generosity of poinsettia and cash, which
enabled us to decorate the Sanctuary for
Christmas. **Thank you very, very much.**

The **Retrouvaille Ministry** of Johannesburg
wishes all Parishioners a very Happy and
Prosperous New Year and we thank you all for
praying for all the hurting couples that have
experienced healing in their marriages during
the past year. We ask you to remember in your
prayers, all the volunteers that have helped
make our Ministry in South Africa such a great
success. Our next weekend program starts with
a weekend on the 17th to 19th February 2012.
For confidential information about or to register
for the program, email retrouvaille@lantic.net
or call 083 339 7692.