

MASSES THIS WEEK
Monday 25th—Sunday 31st August
Monday 25th: NO MASS
Tuesday 26th: Mass 5pm
Wednesday 27th: Mass 9am
Thursday 28th: Mass 9am
Friday 29th: Mass 9am
Saturday 30th: Mass 5pm
Reconciliation 3.30-4.30
Sunday 31st: Mass 9am

ROSTERS <u>23/24AUGUST</u> Church Cleaning 25-29 Favetta/ O’Neill/ Nugent	<u>30/31 AUGUST</u> Church Cleaning 1-5 Sept D & L May
<u>5.00PM MASS</u> Welcomer B Oerder: Commentator M Weatherall Reader J Mackay Eucharistic Ministers K Lovering Computer Screen M O’Neill	<u>5.00PM MASS</u> Welcomer: C Brownlie Commentator J O’Sullivan Reader P O’Kelly Eucharistic Ministers N Buick Computer Screen K Conway
<u>9.00 AM MASS:</u> Welcomer L May Commentator A Skinner. Reader: N Beatty Eucharistic Ministers N & L Page Computer Screen D May	<u>9.00 AM MASS:</u> Welcomer L Page Commentator A Skinner. Reader: D Herring Eucharistic Ministers J Whiteford, A Scicluna Computer Screen T Jones
<u>MORNING TEA</u> M & C Lowe	<u>MORNING TEA</u> N Beatty & M deSmet
<u>COUNTERS</u> M & C Lowe	<u>COUNTERS</u> G Norris/J O’Sullivan

MASSES in AGED CARE FACILITIES

- ◆ **THE GLEN**
◆ Second Wednesday of each month
◆ 10.30AM
- ◆ **THE MANOR**
◆ Third Wednesday of each month
◆ 2pm
- ◆ **MARANATHA**
◆ Fourth Wednesday of each month
◆ 2pm

BOOKS FOR SALE
Who Am I In God? Discovering Our Christian Identity -
Fr. Michael Lim & Dr. Sunny Hong (Paperback)
A Compilation of Catholic Teachings & True-Life
Conversion Testimonies. Discovering our Christian
Identity?
Provides answers to this defining question by drawing
upon the fundamental teachings of the Catholic Church.
\$30.00
Books are in church foyer. See Fr Joshy to purchase.

STAND FOR LIFE
Wednesday 27th August, 2025
11.30am -1.30pm
Parliament House, Canberra

Stand with the Australian Christian Lobby at the Babies Booties
Event.

This event highlights the issue of abortion (now for any reason up
to birth in Australia).

Supporting pro-life MPs and Senators who will speak at the event.

We are praying that abortion legislation in Australia changes to
protect the most vulnerable—babies in the womb.

To read more information and/or attend this event, please register
your attendance - <https://www.acl.org.au/babybooties/>

Contact for the event is Sarah at ACL - volunteer@acl.org.au

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Bay Theatre Players—
Fundraiser for Maranatha

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Saturday 18th October
2pm.. Tickets \$30
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with Heather Powell
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REFLECTION by Fr Michael
Tate
Can the Dalai Lama be saved?
‘[People] from east and west, north
and south . . . will feast in the King-
dom of God.’ Amongst those people,
will there be Buddhists, Muslims,
Hindus, atheists?
The surprising answer of Catholic
Christianity is: ‘Yes, but always
through the working of the Holy Spir-
it of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who can
prompt the heart of any person any-
where at any time with divine grace
so that that person strives to lead a
life of compassion and justice and not
harming innocent creatures.’ Obvi-
ously, this work of the Holy Spirit
could encompass millions if not bil-
lions of people who have never heard
the Gospel. If the slogan: ‘No salva-
tion outside the Church’ is taken to
mean no-one can be saved unless he/
she is a baptised member of the Cath-
olic Church then it is a heresy explic-
itly condemned by Popes. Neverthe-
less, we must pray and work for the
conversion of all people so that they
might have the advantage of all the
aids of Word and Sacrament which
we draw on as direction and strength
on our journey towards the destiny
which God desires for each one of us.
We could pause for a moment to
acknowledge the boundless mercy of
God, but also praying that all peoples
might share our privilege of partici-
pating in that Holy Communion
which is the foretaste of the banquet
prophesied by Jesus in today’s Gos-
pel.
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Remembering the Sick:
Nan Reidy, J ohn Hyland, Ken Evenden, Sr Maria Goretti, Travis Roth, Piper Roth, Maya
Roth, Kristy Crosby, Jeanette Clarke, Chris Bowditch, Sheree Jackson, Brendan Blyton,
Wendy & Pat Roberts, Mark O’Neill, Karen Nixon, Kevin Totterell, Dawn Robinson, Maria de
Rocco, Myrna Glenn, Norma Dean, Ann Marie McLoughlin, Antionette Doyle, Christine
Norman, Anne Gatehouse , Tony Vogel, Suzanne Hughes, Sr Marie McAlister, Peter O’Neill,
Fr John Walter, Fr Kevin Murphy, Allan Rogers, Rita Condon, Ben Copland, Vince Burns,
Patrick Burns, Carolyn Burns, John Dillon, James Lee, Trish Hamilton, Jim Banks, Dennis
Sheather, Mary Henderson, Diane Lanzon, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Allan Odlum, Luke
Ward, Andrew Morton, Judy Betts, Anica Bautovic, Angela Mylott, those in hospital and
nursing homes.

Death Anniversaries: are listed in the Memorial Book at the front of the Church and names can
be added to it if dates are provided.
We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community: Ena Noronha, Eva Cabardo
Arado, Sem Anthony Cabardo, Judy Spruce, Zora Domitrovic, Rod Sanders, Colin Platt, Indy
Roth,Pope Francis, Kelvin Jones, Margaret Priest, Linda Vogel, Geoffrey Bopping, Ivan Backo,
Jean McSmith, David Wick, Joe Quigley, Margaret Silversides, Patricia Totterdell, David
Cowley, Joanne Rogers, Gerald Lewis, Josephine Beckhaus, Cyril Noyeaux, Frank Simic, Sr
Paulinus Croker, Marion O’Grady, Patricia Suhl, Neil Leonard, Letitia Baz, Trent Fisk, Kevin
Carew, Margaret Kelly, Arthur Hurrell, Vicki Lukasik, Paul Skinner, Suzanne Melton, James
Quirk, Giovanni Menon, Tony Puconja, Hazel Nolan, Else McGahey, Richard Smart, Patrick
Dunn, Laurence Foran, Lynton Ryan, Jacki Harding, Keith Cooke, Sarah Good, Robert Mitchell,
Joyce Hurrell, Archbishop Francis Carroll, Ruth O’Malley, Julie Morgan, Suzanne Houssard,
Nancy Sykes, Lillian Burkinshaw, Lynette Arundel

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our
brother, and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your
Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the
Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both
humanity and the whole cosmos, in the sure
expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with
the powers of Evil
vanquished, your glory will shine
eternally.

May the grace of the
Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of
heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our
Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

Pope LEO
Monthly Prayer
Intentions

AUGUST

For mutual co-existence

Let us pray that societies
where coexistence seems
more difficult, might not
succumb to the temptation
of confrontation for ethnic,
political, religious, or
ideological reasons.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD
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First Reading *Isaiah 66:18-21*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

They will gather all of your people from all nations.

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 116. R. Mk 16:15

(R.) Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

1. O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples!

2. Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever.

(R.) Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Second Reading

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

The Lord disciplines those he loves.

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are ad-

ressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation *John 14:6*

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Gospel *Luke 13:22-30*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, ‘Sir, will there be only a few saved?’ He said to them, ‘Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed. ‘Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, “Lord, open to us” but he will answer, “I do not know where you come from.” Then you will find yourself saying, “We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets” but he will reply, “I do not know where

you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!” ‘Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. ‘Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.’

The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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Knocking at the Door

Artist: He, Qi 2001



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TWENTY FIRST
SUNDAY in
ORDINARY TIME
Year C



CHURCH EVENTS

Choir Practice
Second & Fourth Mondays 1pm

Cenacle Prayer 9.30 am Fridays after
Mass

"Good News" Wednesdays after
Mass to discuss reading for the
following Sunday. CMR

Mass with Anointing of the Sick
Saturday 6th September 9am

Parish Sacramental Program 2025
First Eucharist
Sacramental Retreat Day @ Carroll
College Thursday 28th August
9.30-2.00pm
Family Catch-Up Evening
Thursday 11th September 5pm CMR
Celebration Mass
Sunday 14th September 9am

Wrap with Love
Wednesday 27th August
1-3 pm CMR
Tuesday 9th September
10-11am BB Library

Craft Group 10am Thursdays Church
Meeting Room

ADORATION TUESDAYS @ 4pm

COFFEE CLUB Thursdays after 9am
Mass
Venue: Corrigans Cove

We acknowledge the
traditional custodians
of the land, the
Walbunja people of the
Yuin Nation.

We pay our respects to
their elders, past,
present and
emerging.

WHICH ROAD ARE YOU ON?

Over the last two weeks we have been told to 'stay awake' and 'there will be division'. This week we are told to take the narrow road. What is Jesus telling us? Are we not saved by Jesus death and resurrection? Heaven is open for business can we not just stream in as the people He saved?

He died to give us the gift of salvation but what good is a gift if it is not used? Children's favourite gifts are obvious: they are battered, colour and texture dulled by handling, perhaps bits are broken off! Similarly we do not get a new car to admire it in the garage. If these gifts are so obviously used should not the precious gift of salvation be even more treasured and worn?

If we leave the gift of salvation on the shelf, then certainly we will be turned away from heaven as unknown. We need to not only open this great gift but the map that comes with it – the instructions in the Bible. It isn't rocket science! Spread the word, be proud of what Jesus has done, follow His example.

How do I stand up to this challenge? Do I come to the sacrifice of the Mass as a spectator, or do I bring my own sacrifices with me to lay down on the Altar with Christ's Body and Blood? How often do I talk to Him **each day** – 30 minutes, 15 minutes, 5 minutes? Do I reach out when neighbours, known or unknown, need help? Do I stand for the dignity of human life from conception to natural death or accept society's view that it is all negotiable? Do I stand up for the sanctity of marriage or accept the world's view that anything goes in relationships? So many questions for us.

As I ponder this, I realise more and more how much I need the grace of reconciliation to keep me strong enough to travel on that narrow road, rather than walking with the herd on the wide one, which appears to be heading in the wrong direction.

I want to achieve heaven and spend eternity with God rather than face the heat!

Salvation is not one-sided, it is a partnership and I have to do my part. Let us all be seen to be at least trying to keep on that narrow road.

Deidre Herring



Der breite und der schmale
Weg -
The Narrow Path and the
Wide Path

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