



St Patrick's Parish Cooma

St Columbkille's Parish Jindabyne



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

19 October 2025

First Reading Ex 17:8-13

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 120. R. v.2

**(R.) *Our help is from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.***

1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains:
from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth. (R.)
2. May he never allow you to stumble!
Let him sleep not, your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard. (R.)
3. The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands.
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night. (R.)

4. The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.
The Lord will guard your going and
coming
both now and for ever. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Tm 3:14-4:2

This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

Gospel Acclamation Heb 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

***The word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives
of our heart.***

Alleluia!



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WEEKEND MASS & LW&HC TIMES

Adaminaby

No Mass until further notice

Berridale

2nd & 4th Sunday

Vigil Mass Saturday 3.30pm

All other Sundays

LW&HC 10am Sunday

Cooma

Mass Sunday 10am

Mass Tue, Thu & Fri 10am

Except 3rd Friday

Mass Yallambee Lodge 9.30am

Mass Hudson House Respect 11am

Jindabyne

Vigil Mass Saturday 5pm

Except 5th Sunday

LW&HC 5pm Saturday

Nimmitabel

5th Sunday

Vigil Mass Saturday 5pm

All other Sundays

LW&HC 5pm Saturday

Numeralla

2nd Sunday LW&HC 5pm

4th Sunday Mass 5pm



PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION OCTOBER

**For collaboration between
different religious traditions**



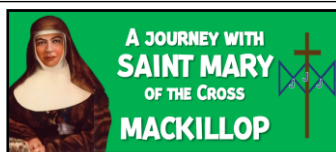
Let us pray that believers in
different religious traditions
might work together to
defend and promote peace,
justice, and human fraternity.

We pray for judges, lawyers, police and all
who work in the justice system, that they will
fulfil their duty with unfailing integrity,
impartiality and wisdom.

We pray for advocates of nature, that their
tireless efforts to care for the earth will bear
fruit for the wellbeing of the world.

We pray for rural dioceses and country
parishes, including our own, that they may be
strengthened by the Holy Spirit, finding
creative ways to build a vibrant community
and proclaim the Gospel with renewed faith
and hope.

We pray for the children of Australia, that this
year's National Children's Week (18-26
October) will help everyone know and uphold
children's rights.



Out of every cross God wishes us to merit by
making it an occasion of pleasing Him.
(29.10.1895)



PARISH CALENDAR

Week 20th October 2025

TUE Mass Cooma 10am
WED Mass Bombala 12.30pm
Saint John Paul II



THU Mass Cooma 10am
Saint John of Capistrano
FRI Mass Cooma 10am
Saint Anthony Claret
SAT Mass Berridale 3.30pm
Mass Jindabyne 5pm
LW&HC Nimmitabel 5pm
SUN Mass Cooma 10am
Mass Numeralla 5pm



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Rod Caldwell, Angela Blyton
Joan Cahill, George Karooz
Brian Standen, Barbara Schofield
James Sullivan, Adela Roach

Anniversaries & Intentions

Sue Byrne, Patricia Hain



*"We have loved them in Life:
Let us not forget them in death."*

TODAY IS MISSION SUNDAY APPEAL

MISSIONARIES OF

HOPE

among all peoples



This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Zambia to help
women overcome poverty and mothers give birth safely.

**The Women's Cooperative, led by Sr Jane will provide women with the
training and support required to break the cycle of scarcity, and the
Chilonga Mission Hospital is determined to ensure every woman and
baby receives a safe and dignified start to life.**

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to be 'Missionaries of hope
among all peoples', and we invite you to extend Christ's love to those in
need in Zambia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope,
going online at catholicmission.org.au/mission, or scanning the QR code.
Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/mission



October, The month of the Holy Rosary



OCTOBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The Catholic Church traditionally dedicates each month to a specific devotion, with October dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The month includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7, commemorating the 1571 victory of Catholic naval forces over the Turkish fleet at the Battle of Lepanto. This victory, attributed to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Rosary, marked a turning point in preventing the Islamic invasion of Europe. Celebrating October by praying the Rosary honours this devotion.

FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

Anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant.

Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.

Daily Prayer Intention - We pray for those who are working in good faith for peace, justice and humanity throughout Palestine and Israel, that the seeds they sow for a new future will bear a swift harvest.

Weekly Prayer Intention - We pray for world leaders, that they will work together to formulate and implement a global migration policy based on respect for human dignity.



Prayer of the Faithful

Response: (R)
Lord, hear our prayer



CELEBRANT/LEADER: Dear friends, Jesus asks us to pray continually and never lose heart. Trusting in his word, let us place our needs and hopes in God's sure hands.

READER: For those who have devoted themselves to a life of prayer in community, that their example will encourage all the baptised to pray faithfully every day. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For our war-torn world, that this week's United Nations Day (24 October) will strengthen our resolve to be peace-makers in every sphere of our lives. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the victims of crime, that they will recover from their trauma, be granted justice, and be able to rebuild their lives. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For community leaders who promote harmony and respect across all sectors of Australian society, that their work will defuse the danger of hate speech and division. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the sick within our parish community and all who have asked for our prayers, may they be granted strength, comfort and healing. For those who have recently departed this life, and for those whose anniversaries we remember at this time, may they be welcomed into the glory of the Risen Lord and rest in eternal peace. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For Our Lady's intercession for all our needs and especially for the people in war torn places. We pray **Hail Mary...**

CELEBRANT/LEADER: Just and faithful God, your Son taught us to pray daily for the coming of your reign. Open our eyes to see your grace at work around us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **AMEN**



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time /Year C

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

ROSTERS: Available in the church foyer should you require a printed copy.

Children's Week 2025 18-26 October



"Lord, bless the children of Australia with love, joy, and protection this Children's Week and always."

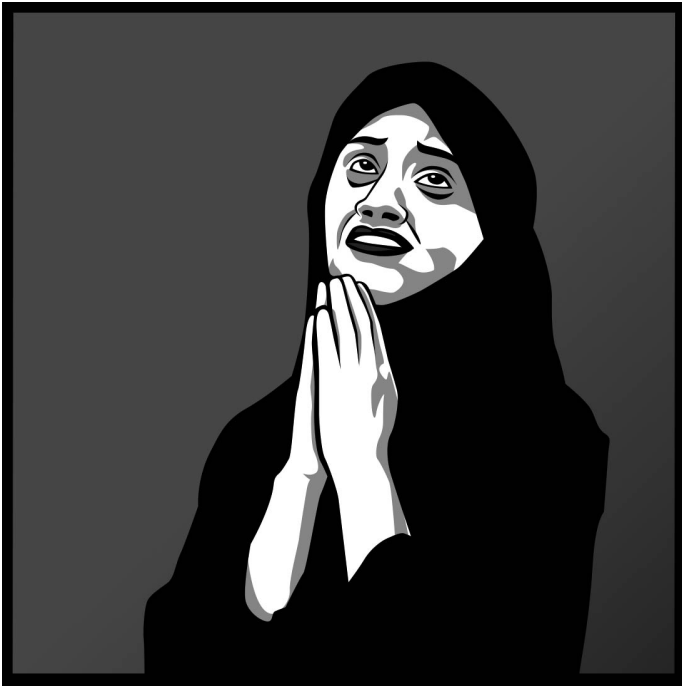


I had a blind date last night and was a little worried about what to do if he wasn't my type. A girlfriend told me about an app called "Mom, Are You Okay?" It schedules your phone to ring right after you meet your date. If you like them, ignore the call. If you don't, you answer: "Mom? What's the matter? Are you okay?" — the perfect excuse to leave.

Brilliant idea, right? Well, I show up and he's absolutely gorgeous. I'm thinking, lucky me! But just as I'm about to walk him into the restaurant, his phone rings. He answers and says... "Mom? What's the matter? Are you okay?"



Two slices of bread decided to get married. The ceremony was amazing, the reception was going so great until....someone decided to toast the bride & groom.....



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The readings today offer various aspects of prayer for our consideration. There is the spiritual discipline of prayer itself, which is essential to the life of the disciple: there is the communal dimension of prayer; and there is the ministerial commitment that is born of prayer. Our personal prayer must be persistent. Like Moses and the woman in the gospel reading, we must be ceaseless in our prayer, not discouraged by difficulties that we might have to face. Regardless of how strange the first reading may appear to be, it very strongly emphasises the communal dimension of prayer.

As minister of the word, Timothy is admonished to keep preaching the gospel, to keep spreading the good news, to allow the scriptures to continue to be a source of wisdom for himself and, through him, for all of the people who hear him. To have this kind of facility with Scripture requires that one enter into the deep meaning of the Scriptures and make them the basis of one's prayer. One must engage in what the monks call *lectio divina*, prayerful reflective reading of the scriptures. This practice, or spiritual discipline, gives us access to God and it also gives God access to us. It gives us the courage and the gentleness to teach, to refute, to correct. When our ministerial activity flows from prayer, it also flows from and strengthens right relationships with God and with the community. When this becomes a reality, the Son of Man will indeed find faith on earth.

Gospel Lk 18:1-8

God will see those who cry to him vindicated.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."'

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

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