

Monday 27thOct —Sunday 2nd Nov

Monday 27th: NO MASS

Tuesday 28th: NO MASS

Wednesday 29th: NO MASS

Thursday 30th: NO MASS

Friday 31st: NO MASS

Saturday 1st: All Saints Day

Croatian Mass 11am Mass 5pm

Reconciliation 3.30-4.30

Sunday 2nd: All Souls Day Mass 9am

ROSTERS

25/26 OCTOBER

Cleaning
27-31 R & K Ison

5.00PM MASS
Welcomer K Conway
Commentator M Weatherall
Reader S Ebejer
Eucharistic Ministers N Buick
Computer Screen M O’Neill

9.00 AM MASS:
Welcomer L May
Commentator A Skinner
Reader: L Page
Eucharistic Ministers J Whiteford, L Stevens
Computer Screen D May

MORNING TEA:
M & C Lowe

COUNTERS
D & L May

1/2 NOVEMBER

Cleaning
3-7 Favetta/O’Neill/
Nugent

5.00PM MASS
Welcomer J Anderson
Commentator M O’Neill
Reader : J Mackay
Eucharistic Minister L Mylott
Computer Screen K Conway

9.00 AM MASS:
Welcomer M deSmet
Commentator M Lowe
Reader: C Lowe
Eucharistic Ministers D Herring, K Corbin
Computer Screen T Jones

MORNING TEA:
Filipino Community

COUNTERS:
T Priest/J Whiteford

MASSSES 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

Masses in Aged Care

While Fr Joshy is away Mass will not be celebrated at the Manor or Maranatha this month or the Glen in Nov as Fr. Joshy will be attending a Clergy Retreat that week.

Claim the date:

On November 18 at 10am we will be having our Annual Memorial Service for those who have died this year.

We have sent out invitations to families of Loved Ones who have died in 2025 but **we welcome all Parishioners to come** to this Memorial Service and remember a loved one who has died by lighting a candle during the Memorial Service.

After the Memorial Service we will have Morning Tea. If you are able to bring along a plate to assist us on the day please let Nola Beatty 0410 629 416 or Marie Weatherall 0405 028 057 know.

Cuppa with Mary MacKillop

Will be at the home of Lorraine and Neil Page on Tuesday November 4, 10am – 11 am.

All welcome.

Enquiries Marie W 0405 028 057 .

ON BEHALF OF CARITAS WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Thank you for your continued support of Caritas Australia’s Project Compassion 2025. As we reflect on this Jubilee Year, we are especially grateful for your continued support and leadership for Project Compassion within your diocese. This year, in a world marked by growing uncertainty and hardship, with your encouragement - schools, parishes and communities across the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn have responded with collective faith, compassion and hope.

Thank you for standing with us once again during Lent to Unite Against Poverty. We are especially pleased to acknowledge the generous contributions from within your diocese. We are so grateful to share that the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn has contributed: **\$312,405 . Thank you.**

ARCHBISHOP’S DAY OF TEACHING for the RENEWAL on

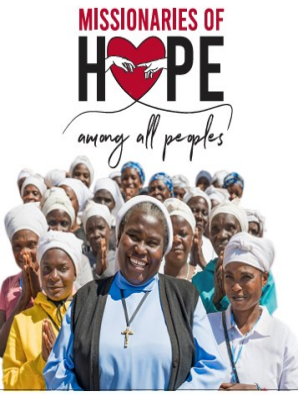
Saturday 8 November, 8:30am–4pm, at St Peter Chanel’s Catholic Church, Weston St, Yarralumla.

Archbishop Christopher Prowse invites you to a day of inspiring talks, praise and worship, Holy Mass, Reconciliation, healing prayer ministry, and fellowship – plus free morning tea and sau-sage sizzle lunch (a collection will be taken). Guest speaker:

Brother Lalith Perera from CRL

Colombo, Sri Lanka. call Maida 0423 658 326 or e: Canberra.ccr@gmail.com

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL



We would like to thank you for your generosity supporting the Church in Zambia and missionaries like Sr Jane and Kayula.

Thanks to your kindness, women like Sharon will have the skills to provide for their families, and mothers like Grace can give birth with dignity.

Your gift will also support a variety of Church programs around the world. To learn more about the impact your support is making, please visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work.

Here, you can also sign up to our regular newsletter to keep up to date with the latest news. If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at catholicmission.org.au/mission. Your action will make a profound change on people’s lives.

Freecall: 1800 257 296

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.

Remembering the Sick:

Gerry Ebbelaar, Diana Ebbelaar, Nan Reidy, John 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, 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, 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: Maria Mendes, Gregy Elchico, Bob Spruce, Bishop Pat Power, Rod Baz, Wido Melis, Suzanne Hughes, 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.

Pope LEO

Monthly Prayer Intentions

October

For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.



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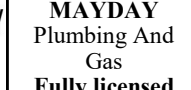
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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus
The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:2-3, 17-19, 23. R. v.7
(R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad.
 2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress.
 3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.
- (R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy
All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the

race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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Gospel Acclamation

2 Corinthians 5:19
Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 18:9-14
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
The publican returned to his home justified; the pharisee did not.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord
R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Standing in the Humus of Life
This parable begins 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray'. But only one of them actually prayed: 'God be merciful to me, a sinner'. The other informs God how well he is doing in the piety stakes. Notice that he strings together a whole lot of verbs, all in the first person singular! This means he is in mortal danger of staying in the first person singular after death, which is Hellish. The other is said to be 'humble'. I like the English companion word: 'humus'. He is well-grounded, knows where he is standing, sometimes in the manure of life. It takes courage and humility to admit to God exactly where we stand. We can do so in Confession, or less formally simply praying: 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner'. We could pause for a moment to humbly pray so that we may hope to hear Our Lord say: 'This woman, this man, this boy, this girl, went home at rights with God.'

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THIRTIETH 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

Croatian Mass
Saturday 1st November, 11am.

RCIA Thursdays 5.30pm
Church Meeting Room

Wrap with Love
Tuesday 11th November 10-11am BB Library
Wednesday 26th 1-3pm
CMR

Craft Group 10am Thursdays
Church Meeting Room

ADORATION TUESDAYS @ 4pm

COFFEE CLUB Thursdays after 9am Mass
Venue: Corrigan's 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.

The Pharisee and the Tax Collector - What is the Essence of Prayer?

In this parable told by Jesus, a Pharisee and a tax collector went to the temple to pray. The Pharisee prayed about how good he was, but the tax collector asked for God's mercy as he was a sinner. Jesus said that it was the tax collector who went home justified before God. He concluded, "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

I have always felt that prayer is a way for me to talk with God, a way for me to communicate with the divine. I know that God is always present and listening and that through prayer my heart and mind will be more open to receive His love and guidance. Whatever form of prayer you prefer, it is a way to strengthen your faith, find comfort in difficult times, and grow closer to God.

There are four main types of prayer which include:

- Prayers of Blessing and Adoration (we can praise God for all the good things we have been given and the wonder and beauty of our world)
- Prayers of Petition (we can pray about the ordinary experiences of life— for people who are sick, for someone who needs a job, for the marginalised or for peace in our families and in our world. We can also express our sorrow and contrition to God in our prayer.)
- Prayers of Intercession (we can pray for blessing upon others, the Church, and our world. Because we know that Our Lady and the saints intercede for us before God, we are encouraged to pray to them for what others need)
- Prayers of Thanksgiving (we can pray for what God has given and done. Reserving some time to praise and thank God for his gifts—the gift of life; the gift of our families and friends; the gift of food, clothing, and shelter; and the numerous other gifts we often take for granted— this helps us to form a true spirit of gratitude.)

From the time I was in Primary school I always had a deep connection with the liturgical prayers and rituals of the Mass. These prayers following prescribed texts and structures have always grounded my relationship with God. Although prayers of the mass are communal, they have always provided the foundation of a more personal and intimate connection for me. I have also witnessed the power of Meditative prayer with children. Meditation provides them with a special time to slow down and quieten their hearts and minds and listen to God's voice in the silence if only for minutes at a time.

Sharon Beashel