

St Mary's West Wyalong
Our Lady of Lourdes, Lake Cargelligo
St Joseph's, Ungarie
St Isidore's, Tullibigeal
Christ the King Chapel, Bolo
St Kevin's, Rankin Springs

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31st Sunday - All Saints, 1st November 2026

Masses This Coming Week:
9am - Mon, All Souls Day Mass @ St Mary's, West Wyalong

8am - Wed, Thurs @ St Mary's, West Wyalong

5:30pm - Fri @ Tully

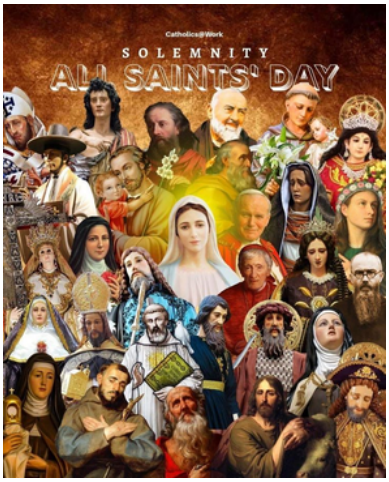
11am - Sat @ Bolo
6pm - Sat Vigil @ OLOL, Lake Cargelligo

8am - Sunday @ St Joseph's, Ungarie

9:30am Sunday @ St Mary's, West Wyalong

This Week's Feast Days:

Mon - All Souls Day
Tues - St Martin de Porres
Wed - St Charles Borromeo



Gospel Reflection by Greg Sunter

Saints are sometimes regarded as 'Catholic superheroes'. Stories of miraculous and remarkable deeds abound, though more in the vein of conversions and cures than speeding bullets and tall buildings. But to get caught up on the Saints of the stained glass windows is to overlook the vast majority of saints. You see, a saint is anybody whose soul is in heaven. The Church celebrates a certain number of Saints whose lives provide a glimpse of God for the rest of the Church. But there are many, many more saints whose glimpse of God was only ever experienced by their family, friends and those with whom they worked. The feast of ALL Saints is an opportunity to remember and reflect on the lives of those saints who've been known and loved by just a few and whose sphere of influence was such that they will never be recognised as Saints by the universal Church.

Today's gospel, the Beatitudes, from the Sermon on the Mount describes perfectly those 'lower case s' saints we celebrate on this feast day. The Beatitudes are sometimes referred to in parallel with the Ten Commandments. However, the Beatitudes are not 'rules' or 'instructions' for life as the Commandments are. They are more in line with a strategy that today we would call 'positive reinforcement'. They celebrate those who respond to God's call through particular attitudes towards life and towards others. Jesus presents them to the disciples and the crowd as images to inspire imitation. They're not hard and fast rules for life, but attitudes for life; the Be-Attitudes, so to speak. Those who live with these attitudes in this life are to be celebrated – 'Happy are you' – for they will be saints. They will be welcomed into communion with God in heaven.

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We acknowledge the Wiradjuri peoples who are the traditional owners of the land where we gather today. We pay respects to their elders past and present and to the memory of their ancestors. We acknowledge that they have occupied and cared for this land over countless generations and we celebrate their continuing contribution to the life of our region. We also extend our respect to all Aboriginal peoples living in our community.

Pray for our sick: Peter Campbell, Clare Devaney, Fr Paul Kumasaka, Colleen Goodwin, Gwenda McConnachie, Paddy Doughan, Noel Pettit, Pat Mason, Fiona Frame, Liz Jones, Greg Withers, Marie McKenzie, Mary Turner, Sarah Pettit, Brian Lynch and Shirley Sullivan. ***Jesus, grant spiritual comfort and healing to the sick.***

Recent Deaths & Anniversaries: Judith Ryan, Gary Peterson, Cecilia Irvine, Fr Troy Bobbin, Sr Marie Jean RSM, Patricia Smith, Joanne Cairns, Neale Daniher OAM, Ray Connellan, Irene Schmidt, Norma O'Neill, Maurice Doughan and Greg Brereton. ***Mary, Helper of Souls pray for them.***

Prayer of the Faithful

Introduction: As we celebrate the communion of all the saints who now rejoice in the presence of God, let us join them in prayer and bring our needs before our God as we pray:

For the leaders of our Church. That they continue to bring renewal to the Church and, through their example and empowered by the Holy Spirit, lead the faithful into the ways of the Beatitudes. Lord hear us.

For peace among nations and in our communities. That leaders in our world work to be peacemakers especially in the many places where hatred and conflict are deepseated. Lord hear us.

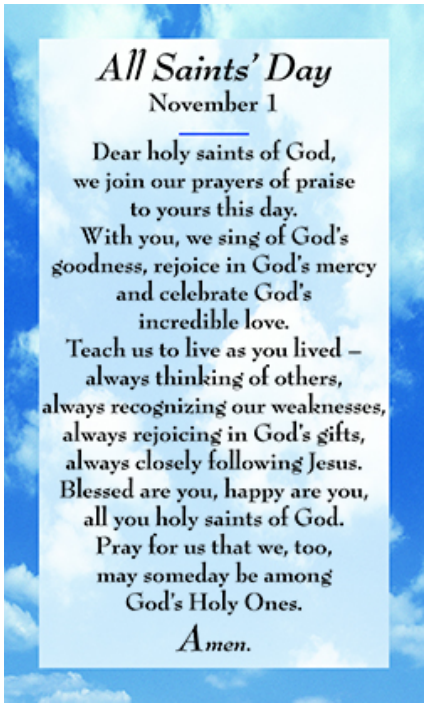
For the Church throughout the world. That all Christians may be inspired by the witness of the saints to live the Beatitudes with courage and joy. Lord hear us.

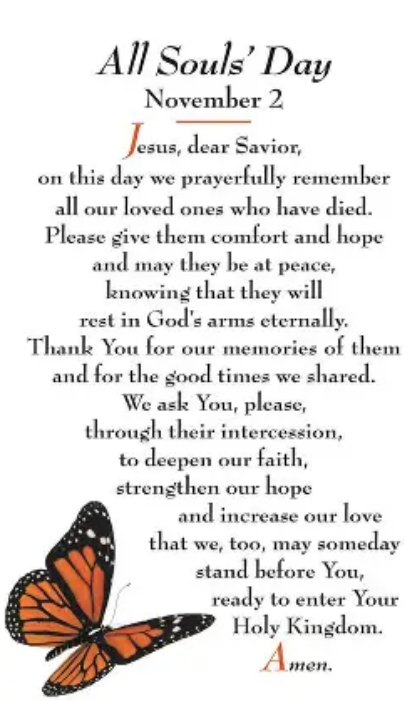
For all those who mourn and are persecuted, especially those who suffer on account of their dedication to righteousness. May they experience the comfort promised by Jesus. Lord hear us.

For our community gathered here today. Inspired by the lives of the Saints, may we taste the eternal joy found in thirsting for God's ways. Lord hear us.

For all our loved ones who have died. Through the mercy of God and the prayers of the Saints, may they too experience the great reward offered by Christ. Lord hear us.

Conclusion: God of holiness and love, hear the prayers we offer today and help us to follow faithfully in the footsteps of the saints who have gone before us, in the name of Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.





Morning Tea after Mass today in St Mary's Parish Centre



9am - Monday 2nd November, All Souls Day Mass @ St Mary's, West Wyalong

Parish Safeguarding Commitment

The Western Mission is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to, and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all our thinking and action. If you have any concerns, please contact; Parish Safeguarding Officers: Sue Buttenshaw & Louise Daniher. Email: wyalongwest.safeguarding@cg.org.au or The Manager for the Archdiocese's Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding, Maria Hicks, can be contacted at ipss@cg.org.au.



First Reading: Revelation 7:2-4. 9-14
A reading from the book of the Apocalypse
I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.
After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.'
One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my Lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'
The Word of the Lord ***Thanks be to God***

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 23:1-6. R. see v.6
(R.) Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.
1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm. (R.)
2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things. (R.)
3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob. (R.)

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3
A reading from the first letter of St John
Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed
we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.
Surely everyone who entertains this hope
must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.
The Word of the Lord ***Thanks be to God***

Gospel Acclamation
Matthew 11:28
Alleluia, alleluia!
Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:
'How happy are the poor in spirit:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Happy the gentle:
they shall have the earth for their heritage.
Happy those who mourn:
they shall be comforted.
Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:
they shall be satisfied.
Happy the merciful:
they shall have mercy shown them.
Happy the pure in heart:
they shall see God.
Happy the peacemakers:
they shall be called sons of God.
Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'
The Gospel of the Lord ***Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ***

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All Saints Year A
Processional - Glory and Praise To Our God
Dan Schutte

Glory and praise to our God
Who alone gives light to our days
Many are the blessings He bears
To those who trust in His ways

We the daughters and sons of Him
Who built the valleys and plains
Praise the wonders our God has done
In every heart that sings

In His wisdom He strengthens us
Like gold that's tested in fire
Though the power of sin prevails
Our God is there to save

Offertory - Come To The Table *John Burland*

We come to the table of the Lord
As one body formed in your love
We come to the table of the Lord
As one body formed in your love

Bread broken and shared to nourish us
Bread broken and shared to nourish us
At the table of the Lord
At the table of the Lord

Cup poured out so we will never thirst
Cup poured out so we will never thirst
At the table of the Lord
At the table of the Lord

Come, come share with me
Come, come to my feast



Reflection – Beatitudes
Blessed are the poor in spirit
Theirs is the kingdom of heaven
Blessed are those who mourn
They will be comforted
Blessed are the meek
For they will inherit the earth
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful
They will find grace and mercy
Blessed are the pure in heart
They shall see God
Blessed are the peacemakers
They will be called the children of God
Blessed are the persecuted for the sake of righteousness, theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, they will be filled.

Recessional – Go Now in Peace *Kevin Keil*

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
May the spirit of Christ embrace your life
Go now in peace my friends

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
As you journey each day,
may God guide your way
Go now in peace my friends

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
May you witness to Christ
through deeds that you do
Go now in peace my friends

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
Now break open God's word,
good news ever heard
Go now in peace my friends
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