



## MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH PARISH

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**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: TO BE A LIGHT UNTO THE WORLD**

**Parish Priest: Fr. Bosco Sangbok Son SVD**

**Parish Secretary: Veena Miranda**

**Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm**

**Acknowledgement of Country :** We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians, Elders and communities and the spirit that binds us in our dreams and aspirations on Dharawal country. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

### *30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Year C - 25th & 26th October 2025*

#### **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

##### **Entrance Antiphon**

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

##### **FIRST READING**

A reading from the book of Sirach

(35:12-14, 16-19)

*(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.

##### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**(Ps 32)**

**All: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**

**Reader:** 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.

**All: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**

**Reader:** 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.

**All: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**

**Reader:** 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.

**All: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**

##### **SECOND READING**

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy  
(4:6-8, 16-18)

*(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,

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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.

The Word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**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**

*(The publican returned to his home justified; the Pharisee did not).*

## Communion Antiphon

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

**Mass Count :** The Diocesan-wide Mass Count will occur over four weeks, commencing in our parish weekend on 18th / 19th October, concluding on 8th / 9th November.

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday : 6:00 pm.** (Vigil Mass)

**Sunday : 8:00 am & 10:00 am.**

### Weekday Masses :

**Mon- Fridays at 9:00 am**

**Saturday : 8.30am**

### RECONCILIATION:

**Saturday :** 5:15pm – 5:45pm

**Every Wednesday : NOVENA to our Mother Mary,**  
5:00pm Rosary followed by Novena Prayers

**Bible Study : Resume in 2026**

**Sunday School :** Every Sundays during 10am Mass in the Logos Centre. (during the School Term)

## **BAPTISMS are open. For Baptism**

**Preparation** please contact Maria D'souza through email : maria197114@gmail.com or Contact the parish office.

**BAPTISMS on 2nd & 4th Saturdays at 11:30 am**

**The Promise: Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections 2025** - Embark on a spiritual journey of hope this Advent and Christmas with this beautifully presented 88-page book of daily reflections, designed to guide you from the beginning of Advent (30 November 2025) through to the Baptism of the Lord (11 January 2026). **Limited copies available now in the Church Foyer. Please see Lina for your copy. \$3.00 / Book**



**Migrant Jubilee Cross:** We are excited to announce that the Migrant Jubilee Cross containing **sacred relics of the Holy Family** and **St Mary MacKillop**, currently on pilgrimage around Australia, will be visiting Mary Mother of the church **at our 9:00am Mass on Tuesday 18th November.** You will have the opportunity to pray before the Cross before it continues its pilgrimage. It's a special occasion — we warmly invite you to come and join us for Mass on that day.

The *Pilgrimage of the Migrant Jubilee Cross* is an initiative of the Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office. It is an exciting opportunity for the Catholic Church in Australia to mark the Jubilee of Migrants October 2025, and to continue to acknowledge and celebrate the faith, gifts, contributions, and resilience that migrant communities bring to our local Church.

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## Catholic Mission

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. If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at [catholicmission.org.au/mission](http://catholicmission.org.au/mission). Your action will make a profound change on people's lives.

## Volunteer Thanksgiving Mass & Luncheon : 15th November 2025 at 10am

If you are an active volunteer in any of our parish ministries - whether you assist with church cleaning, reading, serve as a minister etc and haven't received an invitation from your ministry leader, please consider this as Fr Bosco's personal invite to join us for the event. **Kindly RSVP to the parish office by 7th Nov.** Thankyou.

## All Saints & All Souls Day

### November 1: Saturday - All Saints Day

The Solemnity of All Saints is celebrated at Mass on **Saturday morning at 8:30am**

### November 2 : Sunday - All Souls Day

Saturday evening **6pm Vigil Mass** and Sunday Masses at **8am & 10am** are of The Commemoration of All The Faithful Departed.

### November Masses:

November is a special time to pray for the dead. If you would like Masses offered for your deceased relatives and friends, please write their name(s) on November Mass envelopes clearly. Please note that only Family Names will be published in the bulletin. Mass will be offered for your intentions during November and ongoing. We will also remember those whose names are inscribed in our memorial plaque and recorded in our Book of Remembrance.

## Parish Cuppa Weekend

WELCOME AND HOSPITALITY MINISTRY will be holding the monthly Parish Weekend Cuppa next weekend on 1st /2nd November. **Please join us for the cuppa and bring a plate to share.**

## Reflection :

## Sins versus sinfulness

The pharisee was completely unaware of his own sinfulness. He didn't think he had any sins at all. He wasn't a sinner like the rest of human kind. No. He was different. Therefore, instead of examining his own conscience and confessing his own sins, he examine the conscience of others and confessed their sins - greed, injustice, adultery, and so on.

Yet he had sins. In fact, he had very serious sins. His chief sin was that of pride. But he was also vain and self-righteous, and he despised others. His sins were not so much bad deed as bad attitudes. He had an attitude problem - as people say in America.

The tax-collector might well have confessed the sins of the Pharisee. But he didn't do so. He concentrated on himself, and left the sins of others between them and God. With radical honesty he laid bare his heart before God. He made no attempt to hide anything. He stood before God and, in all humility, said, 'Lord be merciful to me for I am a sinner.' As a result he went home at rights with God. 'The humble person's prayer pierces the clouds'

We can learn from both of them. Firstly from the Pharisee. In fact, there is Pharisee lurking in each of us. Like him we may be very conscious of the sins of others but blind to our own. It's easy to get into the habit of confessing the sins of others. But this is dangerous because it prevents us from looking at our own sin. Besides, it's impossible to weigh the sins of others without putting our own finger on the scales.

And we can learn from the tax collector. He shows us how to confess our sins. Even though we may not be conscious of any specific sins, each of us can still say in all truth, 'I am a sinner.'

Many people approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation with a prepared list of sins. Most of the things that appear on that list are trivial matter and don't wary much from one confession to the next. No attempt is made to get down to the roots of their relationship with God and other people. Too much emphasis is place on the sins, not enough on the fact of being sinner.

We too must be prepared to stand before God as sinner, as much in need of God's mercy as the ground is in need of rain. What we have to face is not the fact that we commit sins, but that we are sinners. We are sinful, but a condition in which we live. This is the great truth which the Tax-Collector grasped.

'Better a sinner who know he's sinner than a saint who knows he's a saint'. (Yiddish saying)

## New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies



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## Thanksgiving & Special Intention Mass offered for:

**Thanksgiving** : Anishka / Alijah / Aisaach

**Birthday** : Aaron Pereira / Tess Valesini / Alana Beattie

## This week masses have been offered for the Sick and Special needs of :



- \* Dr Lydia de Jesus
- \* Dr Joycelyn de Jesus
- \* Jaypee Masangkay
- \* Aida Dayao
- \* Maria Vu
- \* Alan & Margaret Raisbeck
- \* Mick Jones
- \* Noelene Bartlet
- \* Wally Skoczylas
- \* Carmencita Palma
- \* Dr. Cyd Orosco
- \* Agatha Go Ay Nio
- \* Resty Perez
- \* Vivian Martin
- \* Andrea Tuazon
- \* Nelia Ambat
- \* Romulo Cabrera
- \* Arman Diola
- \* Antoinette Lie Njoek Djin
- \* Mary Hargreaves
- \* Francoise Catherine
- \* David Dempsey
- \* Tania Thomas
- \* Sheldon Crame
- \* Michel Fajardo
- \* Roberto Torres
- \* Joseph Choi
- \* Aidan Pereira

- \* Eva Silang
- \* Carole Dimayuga
- \* Selda Dimayuga
- \* Nancie
- \* Mason Dulalia
- \* Charo Doctor
- \* Elizabeth Messain
- \* Danica Kutle
- \* Jake Valte
- \* Monique Yongching
- \* John Unzillo
- \* Edward Webster
- \* Allan & Irma Torres
- \* Norm Cook
- \* Florentino San Miguel
- \* Lisapeta Kalasito
- \* Mike Enriquez
- \* Nestor Henriques
- \* Mary Bittar
- \* John Vukovic
- \* Fila Vukojevic
- \* Jacqueline Mcveay
- \* Anita Menezes
- \* Gerard Sullivan
- \* Iya Gozum
- \* Jovencio Gregorio



## THIS WEEK MASSES HAVE BEEN OFFERED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS & DEATH ANNIVERSARIES OF :

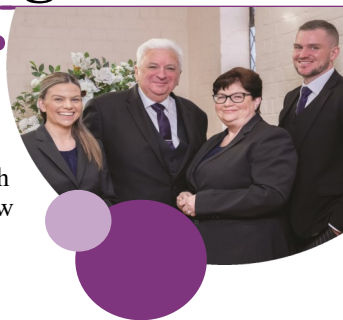


- ✠ David Hitchcock
- ✠ Antony Aruja
- ✠ Isabela Damicog
- ✠ Paneius Pereira
- ✠ Aurelio 'Jun' Doctor
- ✠ Thamrin Prajitno
- ✠ All Souls in Purgatory



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**SVD Prayer** : *"May the darkness of sin and night of unbelief vanish before the light of the Word and the spirit of grace, and may the heart of Jesus live in the hearts of all. Amen"* **Saint Arnold Janssen**

**Parish Prayer**: *Heavenly Father, we thank you for the loving and supportive environment in our Parish, where people of diverse backgrounds come together to encounter You in the Holy Eucharist and glorify Your name in prayer and song. We pray for all priests and parishioners who have given their time and service to You through ministries in the Parish and local community. We pray that through the wonderful gifts of the Holy Spirit we may continue to grow stronger in faith and spread your message of love and forgiveness. All of this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ through the intercession of His Mother Mary. Amen.*

## Roster for Next Week - 1st & 2nd November 2025

(1) First Reading (2) Second Reading  
(3) Ministers (4) Altar Servers

### 01/11 - 6:00 pm Vigil Mass

(1) Shamila D'Souza (2) Chloe Kreltszheim  
(3) Andres C / Irma G / Terry B / Teresa B  
(4) Neejay & Nerayo Santos

### 02/11 - 8:00 am

(1) Louise Phillips (2) Petasi Sua  
(3) Steve N / Lucy N / Emelia B / Mimi C  
(4) Emmanuel Sailiese / Cathy Bernard

### 02/11- 10.00 am

(1) Tina Pineda (2) Jeanette Sagana  
(3) Bennette S / John T / Tina P / Carmen A / Threlly C / Nancy K  
(4) Tomjo Rinson / Jayson Huynh

### Church Cleaners (02/11)

**Kings**

John Moors / Frank D'Souza / Philip Mendonca / Rudy / Babitha Constant