



# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF NORTH HARBOUR

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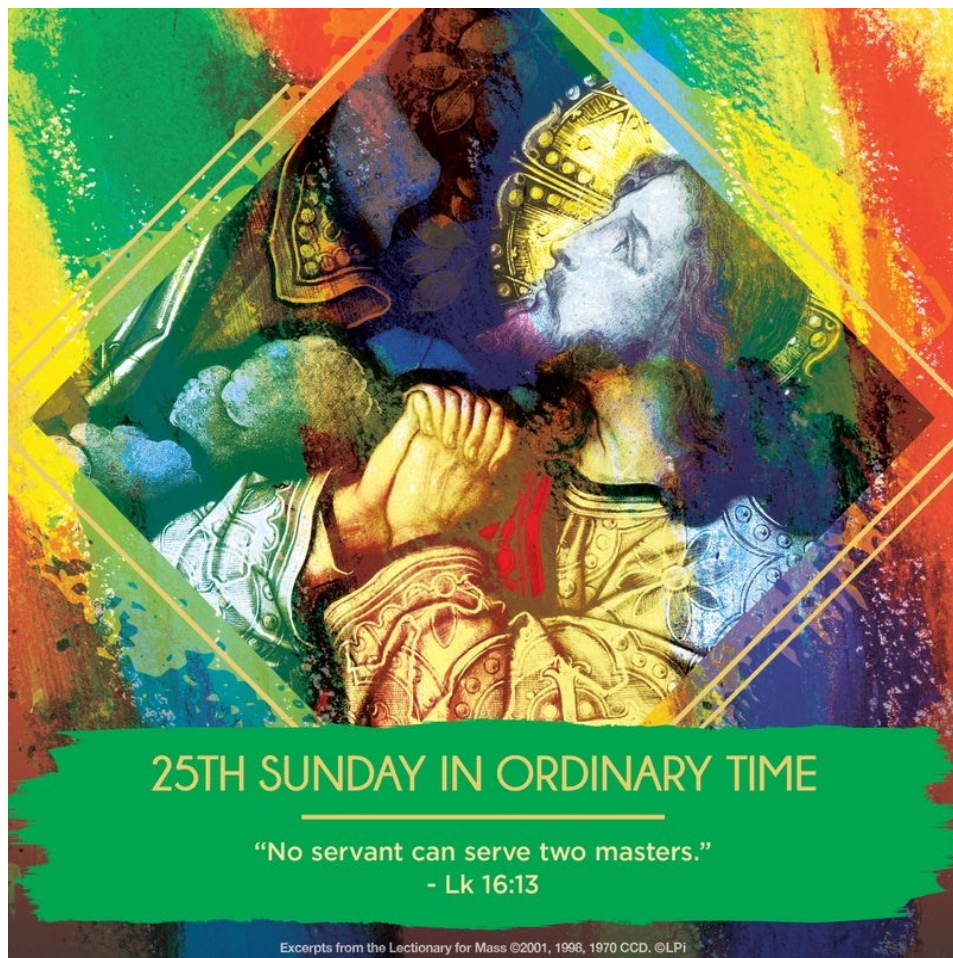


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Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay

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## 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"No servant can serve two masters."  
- Lk 16:13**

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### **First Reading**

Amos 8:4-7

*The Lord will forget nothing that the wicked do.*

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R. see vv.1. 7

*(R.) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor. OR  
(R.) Alleluia!*

### **Second Reading**

1 Timothy 2:1-8

*Pray often, free of anger and dissension.*

### **Gospel Acclamation**

2 Corinthians 8:9

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!*

### **Gospel**

Luke 16:1-13 Parable of the wise manager  
OR

Luke 16:10-13

*You cannot serve God and money.*

## MASS & LITURGY TIMES

### **CHURCH OF ST. CECILIA**

Wanganella St and White St, Balgowlah 2093

#### **MASS:**

Wednesday, 9am  
Sunday, 9am

#### **BAPTISM:**

Sunday, 10.30am

1st Sundays of the month (within the 9am Mass)

*Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.  
Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.*

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday, 5.00 to 5.45pm  
Church of St. Kieran

#### **YOUTH MASS:**

2nd Sundays of the month  
during the school term.

#### **WEDDING:**

Require six months notice and  
include Pre-Marriage Course as  
part of the preparation.

### **CHURCH OF ST. KIERAN**

2 King Street, Manly Vale 2093

#### **MASS:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday\*, Saturday,  
8.30am

Saturday (Vigil), 5.30pm

Sunday, 7.30am, 9.30am, 5pm

*\* Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament after Mass  
on Fridays.*

#### **BAPTISM:**

Sunday, 11.30am

1st Sundays of the month (within the 9.30am Mass)

*Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.  
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In the spirit of reconciliation the Catholic Community of North Harbour acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of these lands on which we gather.  
We recognise their continuing connection to the lands and waterways and pay our respect to their elders past and present  
and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.





# WELCOME TO NORTH HARBOUR

- YOU ARE INVITED
- JOIN US IN OUR VARIED CELEBRATIONS & ACTIVITIES
- CONSIDER SHARING YOUR GIFTS TO US

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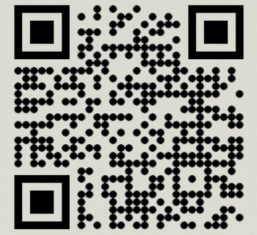


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## DEVOTIONS, EXPLAINED Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why do Catholics eat fish on Friday?

Answer:

For centuries, meatless Fridays were the norm for Catholics throughout the world. Friday was chosen because that was the day on which Jesus died, and Christians wanted to find a way to honor that day with special prayers and acts of penance and self-denial.

The practice of abstaining from meat on Fridays — under pain of sin — grew out of that desire, and it became an official part of Church teaching until the time of the Second Vatican Council.

Today, Catholics throughout the world are still instructed to abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent. The bishops of some countries, such as in England and Wales, ask Catholics to abstain from meat every Friday, continuing the older tradition.

Regardless of what we choose to do, the real value in all of this is to see a reflection of Good Friday in each Friday, to remember the self-giving love of Jesus, and to honor that love through some sort of sacrifice or act of mercy.

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## BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

It is such a simple statement of truth, “We cannot serve both God and money.” But if we rephrase the question and ask, “How important is money to you?” the issue gets a little cloudier. Money is an important part of our lives.

There is no question that we need money to put food on the family table, clothes on our bodies and a roof over our heads. Earning money to provide these things is definitely in the service of God. Even providing luxuries for ourselves and our families is okay, as long as we are also providing for people in need. But when money becomes an end in itself, buying becomes a way of life or having this year’s model becomes a necessity, we are in trouble.

It is so easy to get caught up in the false notion that things can make us happy, even though we know that the pleasure they offer is temporary. Forever happiness is found in God’s love and in our relationships with family and friends.

Every once in a while it’s important to check out our priorities, and reevaluate our life style. There are at least two ways of doing this: taking a good look around our homes and paying attention to what we find ourselves talking about. Both can tell us a great deal about what is important to us and who we are really serving.

### FAMILY RESPONSE:

Talk about people you most admire. Why did you choose them? Is their worth dependent on the amount of money or the number of things they have?

### PERSONAL RESPONSE:

What do you and your friends talk most about? What does this tell you about yourself?



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## WEEKLY SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGES

The Responsorial Psalm this Sunday is: "Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor" (Psalm 113). Numerous psalms praise God for caring for the poorest and most vulnerable in our world. They also invite us to be part of God's plan for bringing justice to all. Your challenge this week is to peruse the psalms until you find one which speaks to your family of God's compassion for the poor. (You can also use Psalm 113.) Every day this week, pray at least part of your chosen psalm as a family or household on behalf of a person or community struggling with poverty, hunger, or lack of shelter. Start on Sunday with someone in your neighborhood or local community. Each day stretch your prayer further afield so that you are praying for global needs by the end of the week.



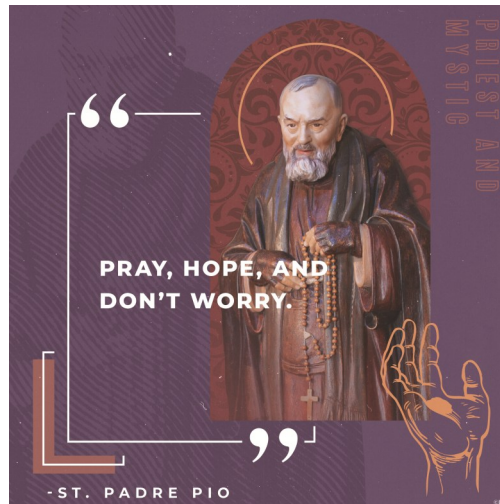
## PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to parishioners who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving the sacraments, contact Parish Office.

## CARE FOR CREATION TIPS

"No slave can serve two masters... You cannot serve God and wealth." —Luke 16:13

Many in our society serve the god of consumerism, perhaps unconsciously. They live as if there is an infinite supply of raw materials, but that belief is squeezing the planet dry and destroying our ecosystems. Make a commitment this week to refuse to make a purchase (except for groceries or other true essentials like healthcare supplies). Use your extra time, money, or the resources you save to do something positive that serves God instead.



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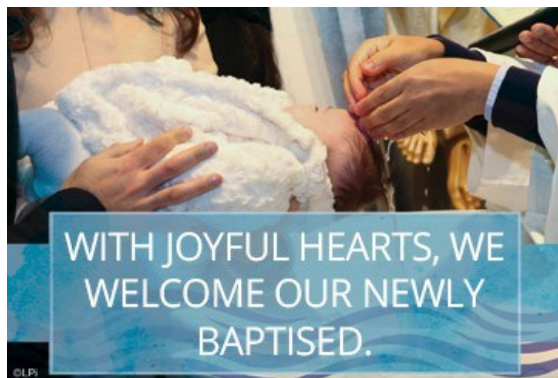
## SICK CALLS

## AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS

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**Josephine Eleni Burke**  
daughter of Thomas & Shannon

**Cillian Sean O'Neill**  
son of Phelim & Alice

## PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

### SICK:

Leslie Rana , Odette James, Greg Hyde, Joyce Arnold,  
Peter and Jan Van de Velde, Cecilia Yeung

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Caterina Lambooy, Rosina Benvenuto, Salvatore Calvi ,  
Adrienne Leonard, Brian Tierney, Paul Van der Veer

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Catherine Deveros, Frank Crott, Judith Allan, Wilfred Ronald Deck

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If you have an intention you would like to be included in this bulletin please e-mail  
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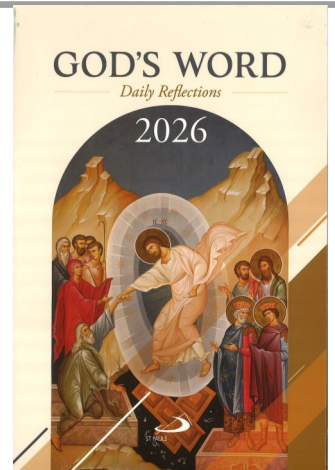
## A Mass of Anointing for the Sick and the Seniors

Everyone is invited for a mass of anointing for the sick and the seniors on **Wednesday, 24 September, at 10:00 AM** at St Kieran's church. This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in prayer, receive the Sacrament of Anointing, and experience God's healing grace. Following the Mass, we'll share **morning tea**—a chance to connect and enjoy



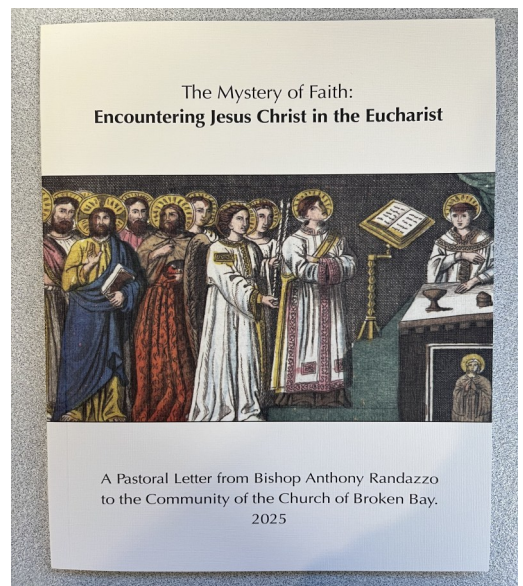
## God's Word 2026 Book

God's Word 2026 book can be purchased in the church foyer or at the parish office for \$22 per copy.



## Bishop Anthony's Pastoral Letter on the Eucharist

We encourage everyone to share and reflect upon Bishop Anthony's Pastoral Letter on the Eucharist. Bishop Anthony urges us to not let it simply remain a document to be read once and shelved, but for it to be a living invitation to growth and renewal in our parish. Please share your ideas and suggestions from our local contexts here in North Harbour. Copies are available at the foyer.



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## IS GOD CALLING YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN VOCATIONS MINISTRY?

### SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

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#### DATES:

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### AUGUSTINIAN FORMATION APPEAL

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Try to find these words:

disciples  
dishonest  
important  
little  
loyal  
masters  
money  
serve  
true  
trust  
wealth  
wicked

### Sharing the Gospel

You are God's special friend. He takes good care of you. He gives you food and water. He keeps you clean and safe from evils. God blesses you each and every day. He gives you friends with whom to play and watches over you. God wants you to walk in his ways. God trusts you to take care of your body and soul. He trusts you to help others, too.

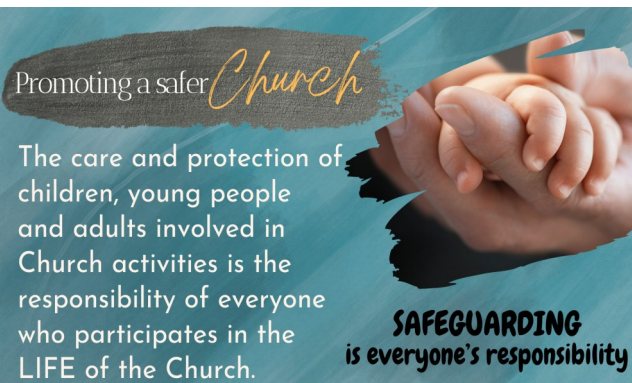
### Prayer

Lord, thank you for taking good care of me.

### Mission

I will take a prayer walk and thank God for taking care of me.

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## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.







*I want to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. In it lies something wonderful to see, the delight of the Lord Himself awaiting our contemplation.*

Commentary on Psalm 26 (2), 8  
- St. Augustine of Hippo

## NEXT WEEKEND (28 SEP 2025): 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<p><b>First Reading</b> Amos 6:1. 4-7 <i>Woe to the complacent.</i></p> <p><b>Responsorial Psalm</b> Ps 145:6-10. R. v.2 (R.) Praise the Lord, my soul! Or (R.) Alleluia!</p> <p><b>Second Reading</b> 1 Timothy 6:11-16 <i>Fight the good fight.</i></p> <p><b>Gospel Acclamation</b> 2 Corinthians 8:9 Alleluia, alleluia! <i>Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.</i> Alleluia!</p> <p><b>Gospel</b> Luke 16:19-31 <i>Parable of the rich man and Lazarus.</i></p>	<p><b>27 SEP, 5.30PM</b> <b>ST KIERAN'S</b></p> <p><b>Senior Server</b> Louise</p> <p><b>Readers</b> Ronda Leonie Val (R)</p> <p><b>Music</b> Parish Choir</p> <p><b>Communion Min</b> Volunteer needed</p> <p><b>Powerpoint</b> Volunteer needed</p> <p><b>Welcomers</b> Volunteers needed</p>	<p><b>28 SEP, 7.30AM</b> <b>ST KIERAN'S</b></p> <p><b>Senior Server</b> Anna</p> <p><b>Readers</b> Elsie Lea Tim (R)</p> <p><b>Music</b> none</p> <p><b>Communion Min</b> Volunteer needed</p> <p><b>Powerpoint</b> Olivier</p> <p><b>Welcomers</b> Volunteers needed</p>	<p><b>28 SEP, 9AM</b> <b>ST CECILIA'S</b></p> <p><b>Senior Server</b> Antoinette</p> <p><b>Readers</b> Amy Cathy Sacha</p> <p><b>Music</b> Love thy Ngbr</p> <p><b>Communion Min</b> Volunteer needed</p> <p><b>Powerpoint</b> Volunteer needed</p> <p><b>Welcomers</b> Volunteers needed</p>	<p><b>28 SEP, 9.30AM</b> <b>ST KIERAN'S</b></p> <p><b>Senior Server</b> Joseph</p> <p><b>Readers</b> Kaye Anne</p> <p><b>Music</b> tba</p> <p><b>Communion Min</b> Volunteer needed</p> <p><b>Powerpoint</b> Volunteer needed</p> <p><b>Welcomers</b> Volunteers needed</p>	<p><b>28 SEP, 5PM</b> <b>ST KIERAN'S</b></p> <p><b>Senior Server</b> Edelvine</p> <p><b>Readers</b> Geraldine Leanne Christine (R)</p> <p><b>Music</b> Emmanuel</p> <p><b>Communion Min</b> Volunteer needed</p> <p><b>Powerpoint</b> Volunteer needed</p> <p><b>Welcomers</b> Volunteers needed</p>
	<h3>OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 21 SEP</h3> <p><b>Mon 22 Sep:</b> Blessed Josephine of the Purification  <b>Tue 23 Sep:</b> St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)  <b>Wed 24 Sep:</b> Wednesday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1  <b>Thu 25 Sep:</b> Thursday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1</p>				

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