

### THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

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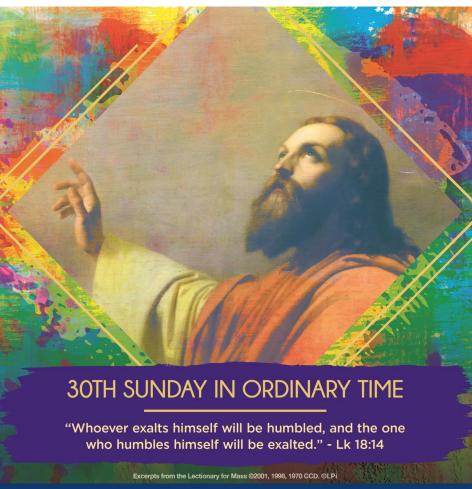
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Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay



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#### FIRST READING

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
The Lord judges justly with no favourites.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

#### SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Paul concludes his writing, is ready for the Day of the Lord.

### **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
Those who humble themselves will be exalted.

#### **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. Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.

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

#### **GET IN TOUCH**

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#### WHY DO WE DO THAT?

#### **Catholic Life Explained**

#### **Ouestion:**

Why do we kneel at Mass?

#### **Answer:**

Since the beginnings of the Church, kneeling has been a key posture of prayer. We see Sts. Peter and Paul in the Acts of the Apostles kneeling in prayer. Early in the 4th century, the Council of Nicea prohibited kneeling on Sundays and special feasts. Kneeling began more as a posture of penance for our sins, but in the history of the Church, it has become more a posture or reverence and solemn prayer.

You will notice that the times we kneel at Mass are tied to the consecration of the holy Eucharist. We kneel in both anticipation of what will occur and then in awe of what has taken place: Jesus Christ becomes truly present to us under the guise of bread and wine. The profoundness of this event has over time led the Church to mandate in the current General Instruction of the Roman Missal that kneeling is the only posture allowed during this time. The sheer awesomeness of the holy Eucharist leads us to fall to our knees in wonder and thanksgiving.

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#### **BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL**

Tax collectors were considered cheats and frauds—Jewish turncoats who worked for the enemy. The Pharisees were well-respected people of learning who were called to keep the people true to their faith and heritage. In the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector, the Pharisee looks at the tax collector at the back of the temple and thanks God he is not like him. Whenever I hear this reading, I think of the supposedly Christian proverb: "There, but for the grace of God, go I."

I have heard folks quote this phrase when they see someone who is homeless or destitute or storm-ravaged, as if it is God's lack of grace that caused their situation or problem. I have heard others use it when they hear about some convicted felon or murderer. They forget that they undoubtedly have also refused God's grace and failed in some areas of their own lives.

Only someone who can honestly confess no sin could say, "There, but for the grace of God, go I," without exemplifying the pride of the Pharisee. Quite frankly the only proverb truly worthy of a Christian when observing another person is: "There go I."

Christ is in each person I encounter, whatever his faith or lack of faith. Christ is in all creation both on this earth and in this universe. We are all brothers and sisters, all one with God in the family of God. It is only when we can truly see our connection, this oneness that is God's plan, that God's kingdom will come.

#### **FAMILY RESPONSE:**

Go through newspapers or magazines and cut out pictures of people's faces. Put together a collage for the refrigerator and title it, "We are all God's family."

#### **PERSONAL RESPONSE:**

What person or types of persons in our society do you find it difficult to accept? How can you overcome this lack of love?

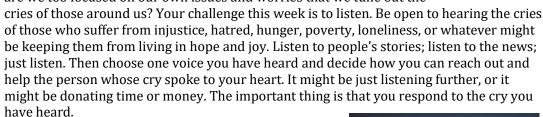
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#### **WEEKLY SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGES**

Sunday's Responsorial Psalm proclaims that "The Lord hears the cry of the poor." The question is: Do WE hear the cry of those in need—in our families, in our communities, in our country, and even in the world? Or are we too focused on our own issues and worries that we tune out the



#### **CARE FOR CREATION TIPS**

Today we celebrate World Mission Sunday, and this week we celebrate the feast of Saint Anthony of Claret, a Spanish missionary and founder of the religious institute of missionaries known as the Claretians. As the head of the Archdiocese of Santiago in Cuba, Anthony advocated for family-owned farms for the poor of Cuba, believing that if they produced a variety of foods they could feed their families and sell the rest on the market to become

self-sufficient. Your challenge this week is to visit a farmer's market or make a point to buy something from a small, local, family-owned farm rather than buying the supermarket chain store version produced by farms owned by multi-national corporations. If you want to learn more about this issue, check out Barbara Kingsolver's book *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle* or Michael Pollan's *Omnivore's Dilemma* or *In Defense of Food*.

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Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the Eucharist, sacraments of 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.

# SICK CALLS AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS

If you need a priest urgently, please call the appropriate number:

**BUSINESS HOURS:** PARISH OFFICE—9949 4455

AFTER HOURS: (Evenings & Weekends) 0490 898 464



## **Emilio Paolo Loprieno** son of Pietro & Ashley

#### PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

#### SICK:

Remo Dellagiacoma , Harrison Foresto, Odette James, Greg Hyde, Joyce Arnold, Peter and Jan Van de Velde, Cecilia Yeung

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Lorna McMahon, Joseph Do, Antonuzza Nesci, Alan Burridge, Helen Barnett

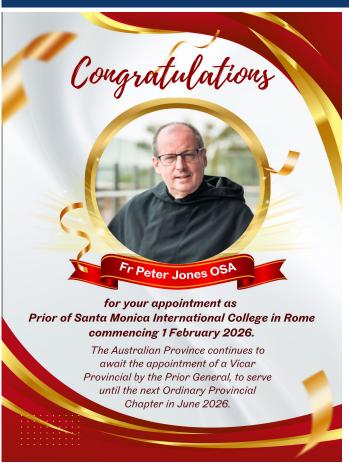
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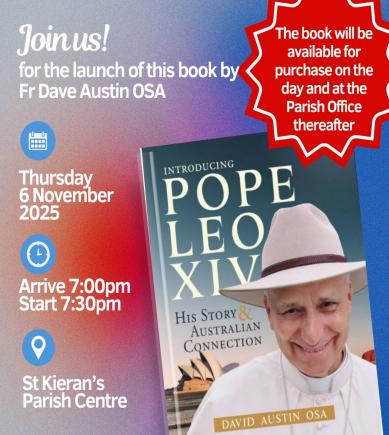
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Sid Riddington, Anthony Pace, Vincent Flett, Nikola, Ante & Kata Jovic

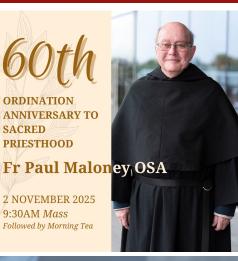
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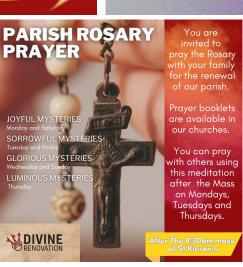
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#### **PARISH & DIOCESAN NEWS AND NOTICES**









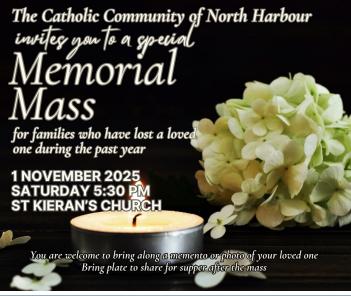




SUNDAY, 9 NOVEMBER, 2:30PM at the Parish Centre

Join us for light refreshments in the Parish
Centre and the opportunity to discover, perhaps
for the first time, the relevance St. Augustine
brings to the living out of our individual
journeys through life. Come and enjoy the
company of other kindred spirits who have
found Augustine to be their mentor and friend.





#### **PARISH & DIOCESAN NEWS AND NOTICES**

### **Diocesan** Formation Dav

for Clergy and Parish Senior Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The Mystery of Faith: Encountering Jesus Christ in the Eucharist

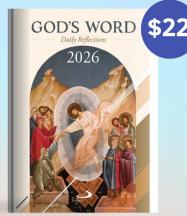
- Saturday, 1 November 2025
- ( 10am 1pm
- Caroline Chisholm Centre, Pennant Hills

**REGISTER NOW!** 



#### **GOD'S WORD 2026**

Available at the Church Foyers



You can drop your cash payments in the designated box or thru the Tap & Go machine for 2nd collection.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

"And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children." ISAIAH 54:13

#### SUNDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2025

ST CECILIA'S 9AM ST KIERAN'S 9:30AM

#### ST KIERAN'S 5:00PM

a Parish Family Mass (Children's Week Celebration)





RSVP & **Payment** by 16 Nov

AUGUSTINIAN FORMATION ASSOCIATION

a fundraising event

Live Music, Lucky Door & Raffle Prizes

NOV **29** 2025 - Balgowlah RSL Club -

#### \$60 PER PERSON

DIRECT DEPOSIT: BSB No: 032190 Acct No: 105386 Ref: (Your Surname) - AFA XmasDinner CASH PAYMENTS: only at the Parish Office or

call Honorine (0416 042 316)

Any donations for the raffle would be greatly appreciated. Drop donations at the Parish Office or call 0402 099 746) by 21 Nov

Unable to attend? Can you fund an Augustinian?



### **EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTER** OF HOLY COMMUNION

All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to register to receive training on Holy Communion from the chalice in early **NOVEMBER**.

If you are an existing minister or would like to become one, please register yourself via the forms in the church entrance or via the QR code.



23 NOVEMBER 2025, SUNDAY





Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God Endures Forever



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.

#### **Sharing the Gospel**

During Mass you will hear the priest and people say, "Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy." It means, "Lord, forgive me." You are human. You will make mistakes. God is proud when you are honest and admit that you did something wrong. He smiles when you forgive yourself and others. He frowns when you talk and act like you are better than others. God wants you to do right.

#### Prayer

Lord, please forgive me.

#### Mission

I will ask God for forgiveness morning, noon, and night.

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#### PARISH SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

"Faith in action - living the Gospel through justice and love"

#### WHAT WE DO

We are a group of parishioners committed to putting our Catholic faith into action by promoting justice. peace, and care of creation.

#### **OUR MISSION**

Grounded in the Gospel call to love our neighbour, our Parish Social Justice Group seeks to bring hope and dignity to those in need through practical action and compassionate outreach.

#### 2 KEY AREAS OF SERVICE AND ADVOCACY:

#### **VINNIES**

(St Vincent de Paul)

Providing local families and individuals facing hardship a hand up through friendship, material aid, and advocacy.

We will be working alongside our Manly Vale and Balgowlah Vinnies Conferences to raise awareness of issues affecting those doing it tough and offering a supporting hand where needed in their Christmas Appeal. More details to follow.

#### SHARE THE DIGNITY

Bringing awareness and support to national charity Share the Dignity to support women and girls experiencing homelessness, domestic violence, or financial distress.

To support the It's in the Bag Christmas Appeal follow the link: https://www.sharethedignity.org. au/itsinthebag

#### **JOIN US**

3 November 2025 Monday | 7:00pm St Kieran's Parish Centre 2 King Street, Manly Vale

#### **LAUDATO SI**

Inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si, we are deepening our understanding of how care for creation is central to social justice. Each meeting includes reflection and discussion on Laudato Si themes to help us grow spiritually and act more justly in our daily lives

## **IROUGH LIFE** AND DEATH

An All Soul's Day Experience

Reflection and Talk on Graceful Retirement Planning Your Catholic Funeral

with Morning Tea

#### 8 NOVEMBER 2025

Saturday | 9:00am to 11:00am St Kieran's Parish Centre





Lord, while I was still far away from You, You coaxed me in a great many ways to hear You from afar and be converted to You and call upon You.

> Confessions 13, 1 St Augustine of Hippo

#### **NEXT WEEKEND (2 NOVEMBER 2025): ALL SOULS' DAY**

First Reading

Job 19:1. 23-27 My Avenger lives.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22. R. v.1 or v.4 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading

Romans 5:5-11 Christ's dying for us is proof of God's love for us.

**Gospel Acclamation** 

See Matthew 11:25 Alleluia. alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12 The Beatitudes.

1 NOV, 5.30PM 2 NOV, 7.30AM ST KIERAN'S ST KIERAN'S Senior Server Senior Server David Io Readers Readers Cecilia Pauline Caterina **Jenny** Val (R) Joseph Music Music

Parish Choir none **Communion Min Communion Min** Volunteer needed Volunteer needed

Volunteer needed Welcomers Volunteers needed

**Powerpoint** 

2 NOV. 9AM ST CECILIA'S Senior Server Ilde Readers

Michael H Michael C Pauline Music

tba **Powerpoint Powerpoint** 

Welcomers Volunteers needed

Olivier

2 NOV, 9.30AM ST KIERAN'S

Michael Readers Kate

Music

**Communion Min** Volunteer needed Volunteer needed

Volunteer needed Welcomers Volunteers needed Senior Server

Tanya Brian (R)

Harvest **Communion Min** 

**Powerpoint** Volunteer needed

Welcomers Volunteers needed

2 NOV, 5PM ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server Kevin

> Readers Louise Linda

Music Ben

**Communion Min** Volunteer needed

**Powerpoint** Volunteer needed

Welcomers Volunteers needed

#### **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 26 OCTOBER**

**Mon 27 Oct:** Monday of the 30th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1

**Tue 28 Oct:** Saints Simon and Jude, apostles

Wed 29 Oct: Wednesday of the 30th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1 **Thu 30 Oct:** Thursday of the 30th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1 Fri 31 Oct: Friday of the 30th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1

Sat 1 Nov: All Saints Day

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