

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year C Cycle 1 | 5 October 2025



Faithfulness

Faith plays a key role in the life of every Christian and every believer. A genuine faith is active and dynamic; it becomes faithfulness. "The upright will live through faithfulness" (Hab. 2:4). Realising the importance of faith and recognising that their faith was inadequate, the Apostles ask the Lord to increase their faith. Jesus assures them and all his followers that even a small amount of faith can do great things. We do believe, Lord; make our faith grow deeper, larger and firmer. Make it strong enough to sustain our loyalty to you in times of temptation and trouble, crisis and suffering.

God's Word Fr George Kaitholil SSP

Parish Morning Tea for 100th Anniversary of the First Church

Our parish morning tea will be held on Sunday 19 October to celebrate 100 Years since the first Church was built here on this site.

Hosted by the Simply the Best Family Group we invite all to come along after 9:30am Mass to the Parish Centre for this special celebration of our Church's history.



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All About Faith

Today's readings are all about faith, particularly the importance of being bold and never being ashamed of "witnessing to the Lord". Faith is persistence in reaching out to Jesus and trusting in God's power and authority. Faith is responding with love to forgiveness received, not letting fear get the upper hand, and being willing to take risks. Faith is giving praise to God, having confidence in God's desire for justice and being willing to ask Jesus for what we need.

Throughout Luke's Gospel, the closest followers of Jesus reveal their own mixed level of faith. They have left homes and jobs and families in order to follow Jesus. It has not been easy, as they have encountered hostility from many who oppose him. Still, they have stuck around, even for the final journey towards Jerusalem, even when they have received a warning of what is to come. In our own days of turmoil and fear, we can empathise with the disciples when faith wavers. It is easy to lose sight of God's Spirit at work in the world. Yet when we nurture faith we become aware of being part of something vast and intelligent and well intentioned that gives purpose to life, that leads us to seek beyond the horizons of our smallness to the hope that tomorrow, struggling and damaged as we may be today, we can all be better. Faith in God is the only ground we have for faith in ourselves, in humanity, in life. Then we may care enough about others, about the purpose of God for all human life.

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Our Efforts

We are all are called upon to witness to Christ and to use our God-given gifts to serve others and bring healing. We are called to bear witness to Jesus right where we live - in our families, at work, everywhere - even just by giving kindness and the light of a smile. This light reflects the light of Jesus. Faith inspires some to reach out to refugees in our communities, to campaign for the protection of the local environment and to build peace. It inspires people of faith to build the kingdom of God and spread the Good News to humanity and all creation. We can demonstrate the beauty of the Gospel by the way we live. We can weave dialogue where society is experiencing tension and hostility. We can bring hospitality and solidarity where personal and collective selfishness too often prevails.

When religious faith becomes the bridge that leads to God, it stretches us to live to the limits of human possibility. It requires us to be everything God has created us to be: kind, generous, honest, loving, compassionate, just. It defines the standards of the human condition. It provides the basis for the ethics that guide our human relationships. It enables us to be fully human.

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Franciscan Food Drive

Keep the food coming! We have had a great response to the Food Drive and intend to keep it going permanently. The Franciscans are collecting donations of non-perishable items and making them available for local distribution to the needy via the Benevolent Society Hub at The Entrance Community Centre. The following items can be left in the baskets at the doors of the Church: tinned soups, tinned baked beans and spaghetti, long-life milk, juice poppers, noodles and noodle cups, tea and coffee, shampoo, conditioner and body wash. Thank you for your support.

Masses: Saturday Vigil 5pm | Sunday 8am & 9:30am | Reynolds Court 11am | Maronite Mass 5pm **Weekday Masses:** Monday Communion Service 9am | Tuesday - Thursday 9am | Friday 11:45am

Saturday 9am | Reynolds Court Wednesday 10am

Reconciliations: Saturdays 9:30am - 10am | 4pm - 4:30pm

Liturgy of the Hours: Saturday 8:40am | Cenacle Prayer Group: Wednesday 9:30am

Rosary: Monday-Thursday 8:35am | Friday 11:20am | Saturday 9:30am **Christian Meditation Group:** Friday 10:30am-11:30am Reynolds Room



A Beacon of Faith, Hope & Love

Deacon Tân Nguyen Parish Visit

On the weekend of 18/19 October we will welcome back the newly ordained Deacon Tân Nguyen to our parish Masses! Deacon Tân spent a year with us while in formation as a Seminarian and is returning to join us for the weekend. We congratulate him on his Diaconate Ordination, along with fellow Deacons, Huy Trân and Shayne D'Cunha. Please find congratulatory cards on the information tables for all to sign and wish him well with his vocation.



Night of Light Invitation

All families are invited to celebrate the Night of Light on Friday 31 October at 6pm in the Church grounds. Celebrate the true Christian meaning of All Hallow's Eve (Halloween), before the feast of All Saints. Free entry, BBQ dinner, games, craft, activities, treats and prizes for best Saint costume.

Make this a memorable night for your children – encourage them to dress as their favourite Saint or in white. Everyone else attending please wear white as a reminder that this is a Night of Light! Please RSVP to 4332 2216 by 27 October.



Seaside Youth Group

Come along for games, fun and pizza with Seaside Youth Group. We get together on the second Saturday of each month – 11 October after the 5pm Mass - until 8pm. 12 to 17 years are all invited – bring a friend! Meet in the Upper Room (upstairs off the Church carpark). Contact us for more info: theentranceparish@bbcatholic.org.au or 4332 2216.



Annual Public Square Rosary

Join us in this nation-wide crusade. Religion is being banished from public life. Let people see that prayer is happening in public! This year our Public Square Rosary will be held on Saturday 18 October at 4pm at the Bayview Avenue fountain (next to the old Commonwealth Bank site.) Note that we finish well in time for the 5pm Vigil Mass.

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for October

For collaboration between different religious traditions. Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

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Entrance Antiphon: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist you will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven.

Responsorial Psalm: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord stands for ever: it is the word given to you, the

Good News. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.



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Please Note

Welcome!

This weekend we have the Reception of the Bruce, Mylne and Kinsela families whose children are being Baptised in the near future.

100th Congratulations Daphne Parsons!

Happy 100th Birthday to Daphne Parsons on 11 October 2025! Blessings to you Daphne!

Feast Days this Week

Our Lady of the Rosary 7 October.

Novena to Our Lady of the Rosary

The Novena in honour of Our Lady of the Rosary concludes on Tuesday 7 October. We gather in the Memorial Garden at the foot of the statue of Our Lady at 4:30pm each afternoon. All welcome!

Nursing Home Mass

Mass will be celebrated for residents at Killarney Court Killarney Vale on Tuesday at 11am.

Divine Retreat Centre

The Divine Retreat Centre offers a variety of programmes each month including One-Day Pilgrimages, One-Day Retreats and this month a Marian Weekend Retreat. The Centre is at 160 Hensons Road Somersby. For bookings and enquiries: 4372 1598 or drcsydney@gmail.com

Franciscan Meeting

The Central Coast Secular Franciscans will meet on Friday 10 October at 1pm in the Reynolds Room. All welcome! Enquiries: Gerard 0439 519 018.

Franciscan Family Day 2025

All are invited on Sunday 19 October to St Fiacre's Parish Hall, 96 Catherine Street Leichhardt for a Fraternity BBQ at 12pm and performance, "Good Morning Good People" presented by Peter Kearney at 2pm. Bring you family and friends! BBQ provided - please bring along a plate of food to share. Please RSVP to Tony by 12 October tonybozz.ofs@gmail.com

Keep Us in Your Prayers

Recently Deceased: Irene Buckley (Fr Paul Finnucane's mother), Neville Allen, Cesare Cescon, Neville Allen, Yvonne Bates, Beverley Burke, John Galloway.

Funerals: The funeral of Cesare Cescon will be held on Wednesday at 1pm. Please pray for Cesare and his family.

Anniversaries: Charles Magri, Holly Martin, Giacco Maria, Giuseppe Calvi.

Remembrances: Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Mario Cauchi, Delma Clarke, Joe Bond, Frank & George Grech, Carolyn Finch and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Families: Grech, Zahra, Grima, Cassar, Sciberras, Camilleri, Falzon & Patterson.

Sick: Julie Fletcher, Lynette Falken, Walter Knoke, Carl Sanchez Jnr, Teddy Williams, John Cox, Abigail Holt, Linda Read, Pat McCudden, Rod Slater, Pam Elliott, Janine Harpley, Rosanna Natali, Kitty Dowse, Patrick Yeo, Stjepan Tuka, Pauline Fowler, Anne Knoke, John McClement, Emma Horton, Kelly Will.



Welcome!

We are open on Saturdays before and after the 5pm Vigil Mass and Sundays before and after the 9:30am Mass. Also weekdays by appointment. You'll find us in the foyer of the Church.

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