Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

The Feast of Christ the King | Year A Cycle II | 22 November 2026



More Like Christ

Today's Gospel is often heard as a warning – about the consequences of not living a good life, about eternal punishment. And while fear can change behaviour for a time, it rarely changes the heart. It is this deeper change of heart that lies at the centre of Jesus' parable.

Jesus is speaking to his disciples – those who have already chosen to follow him – to live like him, to love like him, slowly to become more like him. This isn't simply about avoiding punishment, it is about transformation. It is about becoming the kind of people who see as Jesus sees and love as Jesus loves.

When we recognise that all creation comes into being through Jesus, the Word of God, we begin to see that he is present in every part of creation and in every person. No one is outside his presence. No one is beyond his love. This parable, then, is not just instruction, it is revelation. It reveals where Christ can be found: in those who are hungry, strangers, forgotten. It invites us to relate to others differently – more deeply, more attentively, more like Christ.

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Welcome Seminarian Matthew French



This week we welcome Seminarian Matthew French who is on placement in our parish for one month. Matthew, the younger brother of Fr Sam French, began seminary formation in 2021 after working as a lawyer. On 14 March this year Matthew was admitted to Candidacy for Sacred Orders.

The French Family hail from the Central Coast, so Matthew will be familiar with our area. Please make Matthew welcome when you see him, as he gains experience in ministry in local parishes.

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The First Step

This Gospel is a first step in our response to the love Jesus has already shown us. We are invited – perhaps even challenged – to love those in need, especially those who at first glance seem to have nothing to offer us in return. Jesus knows that when we begin to serve others, when we allow ourselves to truly encounter people in their reality – not at a distance, but up close – we are changed. Our assumptions soften. Our fears lessen. Our hearts expand. We become more like him. We become who we were created to be – part of the Body of Christ, living and active in the world. In giving ourselves to others, we begin to recognise more deeply the selfless love God has for us. We realise that we have nothing with which to repay him – only the invitation to receive his love and to pass it on.

When we move beyond seeing people as strangers and begin to truly know them, something shifts. The kingdom grows – not in dramatic moments but in quiet, human encounters.

And this must be held alongside one of Jesus' most challenging teachings – to love your enemy. When we begin to see those who hurt us not simply as enemies, but as people acting from places of brokenness or need, it changes how we respond. It doesn't excuse their behaviour – but it opens the possibility of love, of patience, of mercy. And when we recognise that Christ is present in them too, our desire for retribution begins to give way to a desire for restoration. In that moment, the kingdom comes a little closer.

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Thank You from Our Seminarians

The Vocations Team and Seminarians would like to thank The Entrance Parish for its generous support of the Seminarians' Gala Benefit Dinner. Fr Rosan attended this vital fundraiser.



Congratulations Alfia!

Alfia Sanchez was awarded a Papal Blessing for 20 Years of Service as a Catechist (SRE Teacher) to Catholic children in our State Schools.

This fantastic achievement was recognised by the Diocese, our parish and all our parishioners. Thank you Alfia and keep up the good work!



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
Rosary: Monday-Thursday 8:35am | Friday 11:20am | Saturday 9:30am
Holy Souls Crusade Prayer Group: Tuesday 9:30am **Cenacle Prayer Group:** Wednesday 9:30am
Christian Meditation Group: Friday 10:30am -11:30am Reynolds Room

A Beacon of Faith, Hope & Love

Pastoral Works Broken Bay Appeal

Thank you for your generous support of Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB). Through your prayers and giving, PWBB continues to support vital ministries that bring care, hope and practical assistance to people across our Diocese. Your past support has helped make a real difference in our communities – supporting pastoral care, outreach chaplaincy, faith formation and assistance for those most in need.

Every gift, large or small, helps continue the good works made possible through PWBB. Our Parish quota for this financial year is $50,406. Please give generously using the parish donation QR code or the envelopes provided. Donations over $2 are tax-deductible.

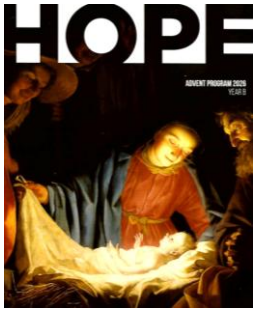
Formation/Education on Understanding the Mass

All Volunteers and parishioners are invited to an evening of Education and Formation on Understanding the Mass Thursday 26 November at 6pm (finishing 7:30pm) in the Church, presented by Fr Rosan. The Mass is the central act of worship in our Church and is the source and summit of Christian life. All are welcome! Please RSVP to the parish office 4332 2216.

Parish Volunteers' Thank YOU!

Fr Brian and Fr Rosan would like to thank all of our Parish Volunteers, from Readers to Cleaners, Choir to Floral Team, and all in between. Your hard work is appreciated and all you do to make this a great parish community. Come along on Friday 27 November at 5pm to the parish centre for drinks and nibblies. Please RSVP by 20 November to the sheets on the Church tables or call the parish office on 4332 2216.

Hope – Advent Reflection Mornings



All are invited to journey prayerfully through the Sunday Gospel Readings of Advent, opening the stable of our hearts to the hope and wonder of Jesus' coming into the world, led by Deacon Paul. Starting Thursday 26 November in preparation for the 1st Sunday of Advent, at 9:30am in the Reynolds Room. Refreshments provided. No RSVP necessary – just turn up. Enquiries 4332 2216.

World Youth Day Registrations OPEN!

We are delighted to confirm that WYD applications for young people aged 16-35 and potential leaders aged 21 and over are now open! The best place to get information about the Broken Bay pilgrimage is to visit our website www.bbwyd27.org.au Anyone interested can sign up for 'Baylee's Bulletin' and find out how to apply for WYD27 travelling with Broken Bay. On Thursday 26 November 7pm-8pm, we are hosting an online promotional session designed for any young person (along with their parents) and potential leaders who would like to learn more about WYD before applying: Microsoft Teams meeting: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/492063450079231?p=GAUKeZJMMvg4oKH6MT Meeting ID: 492 063 450 079 231 Passcode: nQ2hd6vW First-round applications close 17 December.

Feast of Christ the King **Ez 34:11-12, 15-17 | 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 | Matt 25:31-46**

Entrance Antiphon: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!
Communion Antiphon: The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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Please Note

Welcome!
This weekend we welcome the Fuller/Sounantha, Gooch, Halwagy & Tucker Families for the Reception of their children for Baptism in the near future.

Feast Days this Week
Sts Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions 24 November.

Niche Blessing for Joy Delandre
There will be a niche blessing for Joy Delandre on Friday 27 November after 11:45am Mass. All are welcome to attend.

***God's Word* Orders In**
Those who pre-ordered *God's Word 2027* may now pick them up from the parish office during business hours. Cost is $22.

Seaside Youth Group Christmas Party – Save the Date!
Next and final youth group for the year will be on Saturday 5 December – a Christmas Party! Time and place are to be confirmed and will be announced this weekend and in the next week's bulletin.

Sisters of the Immaculata Vocations Retreat
If you are a young woman from 17-35 years old and are interested in discerning religious life, we would like to invite you to a Vocations Retreat from Friday 27-Sunday 29 November in Armidale NSW. Spend some time with us to adore the Lord, listen to his voice and experience the life and charism of our community. For more information and to register, please email us at vocations@immaculata.org.au

Christmas Service & Carols
St Andrew's Presbyterian Women's Association invite all to celebrate a Christmas Service and Carols at St Andrew's Church The Entrance on Wednesday 2 December at 10am. Morning tea will follow. RSVP Fran Beek 0401 302 517.

Crossroads Conversations Bereavement Group
Join our Bereavement Group for a time to remember, reflect and connect. Following the Anointing Mass on Friday 4 December, enjoy a lovely cuppa and refreshments in the parish centre at the First Friday Cuppa and then feel free to stay and spend some time with the CatholicCare team in a relaxed and unhurried setting. For more info call: 1800 324 924 or email: info@catholiccaredbb.org.au

Keep Us in Your Prayers

Recently Deceased: Paul Langmack.

Remembrances: In November we especially pray for all the Holy Souls. The Mass intentions are placed on the Altar during the Masses. Please hand your envelopes in at the Sacristy or the Office.

Sick: Pat McCudden, Lorraine Laing, Pam Elliott, David Bowers, John, Jennifer, Walter and Anne Knoke, Tully Jones, Linda Read, Michael & Julie Trussell, Linda Ho, Angela & Tony Fowler, Lynette Falken, Rod Slater, Patrick Yeo, Stjepan Tuka, John McClement, Emma Horton, Kelly Will.

Welcome Newly Baptised: Sonny Ridge, Dawson Adams.

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Sacred Gifts

Welcome!

The Gift Centre opens 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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