Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year A Cycle 11 | 8 November 2026



Do You Find Yourself Lacking?

Are you one of those people who over-prepare for a camping trip and take much more than you need, or do you under-prepare and find yourself lacking a can opener when you need it or a pump for the air mattress! I'm an over-preparer. I take everything we need and much more. I don't ever want to be caught short. But is it the same when it comes to my faith life? Today's parable of the ten bridesmaids highlights the importance of being ready when God moves in our life. The foolish bridesmaids thought they knew exactly when the groom would show up. They weren't prepared for his late arrival and didn't have enough oil in their lamps. As a consequence, they missed the bridegroom when he did show up. *Lord, help me to build up stores of spiritual oil, through prayer, sacraments and service. Help me to wait patiently on your timing in my life and be prepared to receive your movement and grace at exactly the time it appears. Amen.*

God's Word Debra Vermeer

National Church Life Survey

Thank you to all for completing the Church Life surveys. If anyone has a survey to return this weekend there will be a box on the church tables for you to do so, or you may drop it in at the parish office during the week. If anyone is still to complete the survey you may do so online by scanning the QR Code or going to https://mysurveys.ncls.org.au/start/attender. You will need to add the church code for the church you attend in the parish, either Our Lady of the Rosary, The Entrance or Holy Spirit Chapel, Bateau Bay (Reynolds Court).

- Our Lady of the Rosary, The Entrance **TA228401**
- Holy Spirit Chapel, Bateau Bay (Reynolds Court) **TA228402**

Our prayer is that, with God's blessing, this survey will serve to strengthen the health and vitality of our church. Thank you!

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Judged on Love

There is a strange paradox in Christian revelation. The coming of the Son of God in Jesus and in his life, death and resurrection reveals the overwhelming love of God for humankind, yet Jesus repeatedly demands that we make this love real in our lives. Jesus is warning us that we cannot take God's love for granted. All the bridesmaids, whether sensible or stupid, were caught asleep when the bridegroom arrived but only five were ready with oil. This oil has traditionally been interpreted as love – both of God and of neighbour. The women with oil had prepared for the coming of the bridegroom by the quality of their lives. They had been loving and so could respond to the coming of the bridegroom. St John of the Cross has said, 'In the evening of life we will be judged on love.' Yes, we will be judged in the love of God but we will also be judged according the how we have loved. We have to practice love in the ordinary circumstances of life so that when the great revelation of love comes at our death, we can respond with love.

God's Word Sr Kym Harris OSB

Remembrance Day 11 November

On this day we honour those who have served in War. November 11 marks the anniversary of the 1918 armistice ending World War I. Catholic dioceses and schools, join in the traditional 11:00am minute of silence. On this day we focus on praying for peace, mourning the casualties of war on all sides, honouring the injured and traumatised, and asking God for the wisdom to be peacemakers.

Night of Light Pics

Once again the children celebrated All Hallow's Eve with a Night of Light. The children dressed up in their best costumes of Saints or wore white and played games and activities followed by a delicious BBQ dinner!

Thank you to Alison Meilak and her son Joshua for organizing this great event and to Alison for all her work with Kids Club over the years. Alison will be handing the baton on to Jenny Grindall-Kruf in the near future. Welcome Jenny!





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.

As we begin the PWBB 2026/27 Appeal, we invite parishioners to continue supporting this important mission. Our parish Appeal will be held next weekend 14/15 November.

Every gift, large or small, helps continue the good works made possible through PWBB. Please give generously using the parish donation QR code or the envelopes provided. Donations over $2 are tax-deductible. Together, we can continue bringing care, hope and dignity to those who need it most.

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 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.

Faith in Action - Catechists

Make a difference in a child's life without leaving your community. Become a volunteer Catechist (Scripture Teacher) in our local parish public schools. Teach values, share faith and inspire young minds for just one hour a week. No prior teaching experience is required as full training and approved lesson materials are provided. A Working With Children Check number is required, free for volunteers. Just fill out a 'Faith in Action' brochure which you will find on the Church tables or contact Leanne in the parish office on 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.

Seaside Youth Group

We have new dates for the rest of the year. We will meet again on Saturdays 14 and 28 November and 12 December (for our Christmas Party). Our youth group is made by youth, for youth, making a space for young people to connect with friends and faith. We welcome youth in school years 6-12 and meet after the 5pm Mass from 5:45-7:45pm in the Upper Room. New youth always welcome!

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Entrance Antiphon: Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.
Responsorial Psalm: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!
Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

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Please Note

Welcome!
This week we welcome the Adams and Ridge Families for the Reception of their child for Baptism in the near future.

Feast Days this Week
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 9 November, St Leo the Great – Pope 10 November, St Martin of Tours 11 November, St Josaphat 12 November.

Catechist Award Presentation & Parish Morning Tea
At the 9:30am Mass on Sunday 15 November Catechist Alfia Sanchez will be presented with a Papal Award for 20 Years of Service to our children in the State Schools. Well done Alfia! The Catechists will then host our Morning Tea afterwards in the parish centre. All are welcome!

Attention All Who Can Sew
If you would like to assist in making Christmas Nativity costumes for the children please speak to Colleen in the parish office. Simple work – no great skill necessary – all welcome!

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

Scam Alert!
If anyone is contacted asking for gift cards for Fr Rosan's Birthday – please ignore. It is a scam.

A Communtiy Announcement onCybercrime – Are You ClickFit?
We are hearing many stories of people being scammed online and feel that it is important to share some information with our parishioners. Cybercrime and online scams are increasingly common and affect Australians of all ages. The Australian Federal Police's "Are You ClickFit?" campaign helps people recognise warning signs such as phishing emails, scam text messages, fake websites and requests for personal information. The campaign encourages simple habits like using strong passwords, enabling multi-factor authentication, and thinking carefully before clicking links. Visit their website and learn how to better protect yourself, your family, and your finances online at: www.afp.gov.au/news-centre/feature/are-you-clickfit or click on the QR code. We hope in the New Year to have people from the AFP and NSW Police come and speak to our parish community about this important topic.

Keep Us in Your Prayers

Remembrances: In November we especially pray for all the Holy Souls. The Mass intentions are placed on the Altar during the Masses. Please place your envelopes in the November Mass Offering box on the Sanctuary railing.

Sick: Julee Slater, 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, Pat McCudden, Rod Slater, Patrick Yeo, Stjepan Tuka, John McClement, Emma Horton, Kelly Will.



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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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