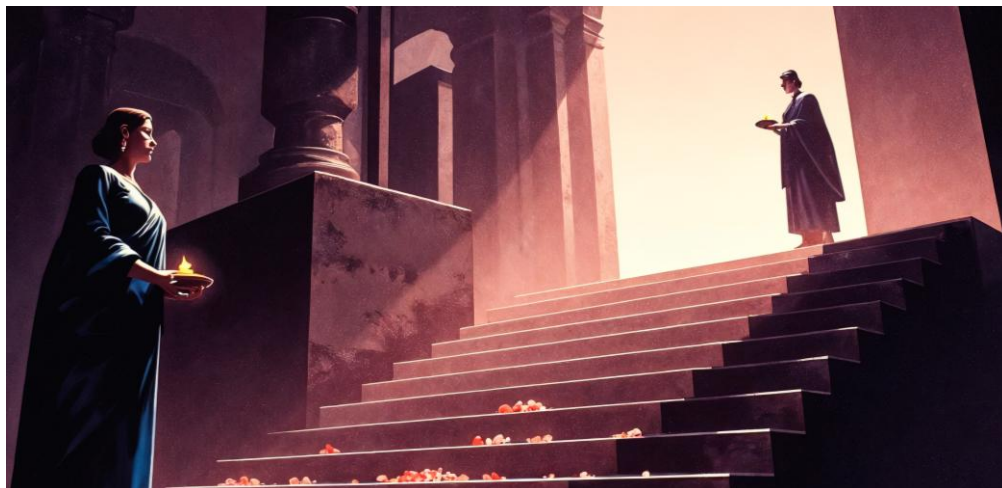




Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year C Cycle 1 | 10 August 2025



The Truly Rich

Who is the one that is rich towards God? Clearly it is the one who loves virtue instead of wealth, for whom a few things are sufficient. It is the one whose hand is open to the needs of the poor, comforting the sorrows of those in poverty as fully as he is able. It is the one who gathers in the storehouses above, and lays up his treasures in heaven. Such a person will find that his investments have gained interest, a reward for his upright and blameless life.

The Word on Fire Bible St Cyril of Alexandria

Purses That Don't Wear Out

Faith, in a scriptural context, means ultimate trust. To pose the question about faith is to wonder where we finally anchor our lives; where we, in the last analysis, "stand"; where we, at the end of the day, orient our lives. When the ego's works are shaken, turned upside down, we tend to lose "faith" in them, and this, from a biblical standpoint, is all to the good, for we are not designed to root ourselves in something as vacillating and tiny as the ego. We are meant to put our final trust in that strange, awesome, and enticing power that infinitely transcends who we are and what we can do.

Jesus says: "Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys." Any "purse" or treasure of this world - any ideal, movement, institution, or person here below - will wear out, will prove unworthy of our final confidence. Rejoice that in God's providence you are not liable to succumb to the subtlest of temptations: faith in this world.

The Word on Fire Bible Bishop Robert Barron

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CatholicCare Homelessness Appeal this Weekend

CatholicCare is the social care agency of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Broken Bay. They deliver a wide range of services to improve individual, family and community well-being. This Appeal aims to raise funds for various programmes that assist people experiencing homelessness or housing instability, including a women's refuge, transitional housing, and support for young parents. CatholicCare also provides practical, emotional, and financial support to help individuals and families maintain their tenancies. Donations can be made through envelopes available at Masses or online at <https://catholiccaredbb.org.au/donate/>

The Feast of the Assumption – Holy Day of Obligation

Friday 15 August Masses 9:30am at OLR School, 11:45am and 6:00pm in our Church. This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God.

KidsClub Celebrates the Assumption of Mary

All are invited to KidsClub on Saturday 16 August 3-4:45pm in the Reynolds Room. KidsClub is a parish social group for children aged 5-12 years who want to make new friends, have fun, and learn more about Jesus! Free entry, games, craft and activities as well as snacks provided. Parents and siblings are welcome to stay - parents must stay for children under 5 years. Our leaders have WWCC. We invite all to join us at 5pm Mass after KidsClub. Enquiries: 4332 2216.



Ministry Refresher Training Date Claimers

Acolytes / Senior Servers and those interested in becoming Servers at Mass are asked to attend a Refresher Training afternoon with Fr Rosan and Dcn Paul on Saturday 30 August from 3:30pm-5pm.

Readers who are rostered for the Masses are asked to attend a Refresher Training morning with Fr Rosan and Dcn Paul on Saturday 13 September after 9am Mass.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2025

The Sacrament of Confirmation ceremony for our parish will be held at 6pm on Thursday 13 November 2025. This important event marks a milestone in your child's faith journey and their commitment to the Church. Confirmation is available to children in Year 3 and above who have been Baptised Catholic. If you would like your child to receive this Sacrament you will need to attend the final Information and Enrolment session: **Monday 11 August at 9:30am** in the parish centre. (Children are not required to attend.) For more information about our Sacraments and Sacramental Programme, visit our parish website www.ourladyoftherosary.org.au If you have any questions, please contact the parish office on 4332 2216.

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

Ordinations to the Diaconate

Bishop Anthony Randazzo has announced he will be celebrating the Ordination to the Diaconate of Tân Nguyen, Huy Tran and Shayne D'Cunha on Friday 12 September at 7pm at Waitara Cathedral. We are very happy for these three Candidates and will keep them in our prayers, especially Tân, who was on placement with us for a year. Expressions of interest are being taken for those who would like to attend and will need transport on the night. Please let us know at the parish office 4332 2216.



Announcing the Ambrose Centre

You will have noticed a lot of activity across the carpark in recent weeks as stage one works were carried out to make ready for the Pastoral Formation Centre announced by Bishop Anthony in his 2024 Pastoral Letter to the People of God in the Central Coast.

We can now announce to you that Bishop Anthony has selected a Patron Saint for the new Centre – St Ambrose of Milan. The Centre will be named the Ambrose Centre after him.

St Ambrose was the Bishop who baptised St Augustine, accompanying him in the faith. St Ambrose was a great saint, who helped to evangelise another great saint. In our own unique ways, each one of us is called to be a future saint, who hopefully evangelises other future saints!

More updates on the Ambrose Centre coming soon!



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time **Wis 18:6-9 | Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 | Lk 12:32-48**

Entrance Antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Responsorial Psalm: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.



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Please Note

Congratulations

To Vali Coates who is making her First Eucharist this weekend. Blessings to you Vali!

Welcome!

This weekend we have the Reception of the Fletcher Family whose child is soon to be Baptised.

Feast Days this Week

St Clare 11 August, St Maximillian Kolbe 14 August, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin 15 August.

Nursing Home Mass

Mass will be celebrated for residents and family at Opal Killarney Vale on Tuesday at 11am.

Parish Morning Tea

The Pelican Blue Family Group will be hosting our Parish Morning Tea this Sunday 10 August after 9:30am Mass, in the Parish Centre. Come along for a nice hot cuppa and a chat!

Holy Souls Crusade Prayer Group

Please join in prayer with others around the world for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Tuesdays after 9am Mass in the Church. Enquiries: 0438 320 927.

Seminarians Benefit Gala Dinner

Answering the Call - a Celebration of Faith and Hope. Friday 22 August 7pm-11.30pm

The Epping Club, 45-47 Rawson Street Epping. Cost: \$120 per person or \$1,000 for table of 10 includes dinner & beverages. There will be an auction, prizes and music!

Bookings: see the QR code or www.trybooking.com/DDOPW



Festival of Our Lady's Assumption

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish Warnervale with Central Coast Santa Maria Committee will celebrate the Festival of the Mary's Assumption into Heaven next Sunday 17 August. Mass with Bishop Anthony at 3pm, followed by procession and Benediction. Entertainment by Tuggerah Lakes Show Band and fireworks at 6pm. Maltese food on sale. All are invited.

Keep Us in Your Prayers

Recently Deceased: Bishop Peter Elliott, Peter McCarten, Fr Chris Riley, Lachlan Christie, Beryl Owens, Pam Wilton, Domonic Bujea, Hilda Moffitt, Marie Craig, Margaret Killain, Kath Chesterton, David Falzon, Matthew Spackman, Tony Connolly, Don Richards.

Anniversaries: Irene Ruhl (1st), Anthony Ruhl, Barbara Stevens, Margaret Simmons, Phyllis Malone, Bartolo Lucchese.

Remembrances: Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Mario Cauchi, Delma Clarke, Nicola Iacovazzi, David Drinan, Win & Jerry Maher, Robert Fowler (birthday), Sam Marmara, Charlie Borg, Martin & Lela Borg, Violet & Joe Marmara and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Sick: Pat McCudden, Sharon McDonald, Rod Slater, Belinda Katalinic, Pam Elliott, Janine Harpley, Rosanna Natali, Lisa Rudd, Kitty Dowse, Patrick Yeo, Stjepan Tuka, Pauline Fowler, Anne Knoke, John McClement, Emma Horton, Linda Read, Kelly Will.

Welcome Newly Baptised: Amelia Healy, Nash Parry, Rome Moody.



Our Lady of the Rosary Sacred Gifts

God's Word 2026 Orders Taken Now

If you would like to order *God's Word 2026* please let us know now! We are open on Saturdays before and after the 5pm Vigil Mass and Sundays before and after the 9:30am Mass. You'll find us in the foyer of the Church.

Enquiries: 4332 2216