

ALL SOULS' DAY, C1

2nd of November 2025

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BUNBURY

BUNBURY, W.A.



WANDJU, NIDJA NOONGAR BOODJA.*

READINGS AT MASS

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. 1 Th 4: 14; 1 Cor 15: 22

Just as Jesus died and has risen again,
so through Jesus God will bring with him
those who have fallen asleep;
and as in Adam all die,
so also in Christ will all be brought to life.

First Reading

Wis 3:1-9

A reading from the book of Wisdom

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God,
no torment shall ever touch them.
In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die,
their going looked like a disaster,
their leaving us, like annihilation;
but they are in peace.
If they experienced punishment as men see it,
their hope was rich with immortality;
slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be.
God has put them to the test
and proved them worthy to be with him;
he has tested them like gold in a furnace,
and accepted them as a holocaust.
When the time comes for his visitation they will shine out;
as sparks run through the stubble, so will they.
They shall judge nations, rule over peoples,
and the Lord will be their king for ever.
They who trust in him will understand the truth,
those who are faithful will live with him in love;
for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.
□ The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22. R. v.1

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. 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,
to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. **R.**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R.**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **R.**

Second Reading

Romans 5:5-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given to us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die - but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

□ The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 6:39

Alleluia, alleluia!
This is the will of my Father, says the Lord,
that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me,
and that I should raise it up on the last day.
Alleluia!

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St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish acknowledges the traditional owners of the land, the Noongar Wardandi people and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of the Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders past, present and emerging.



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MASS TIMES

Weekdays: 7.00am | **Saturday:** 8.00am, 6.00pm Vigil Mass | **Sunday:** 8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm

Gelorup Carmelite Monastery: 8.30am Sunday; 9.00am Monday - Saturday

Dalyellup Catholic Community: 10am every Sunday - St. John of God Bunbury Hospital Chapel

Filipino Mass: 12.00 noon every 1st Sunday of the month | **Syro-Malabar Mass:** 12.30pm every 4th Sunday of the month

Monthly Healing Mass: 10.30am every 1st Tuesday of the month

St John of God Hospital Chapel Mass: 11am every Thursday

Reconciliation: Saturdays 5.00pm to 5.40pm prior to the 6.00pm Vigil Mass; or by appointment

Baptism, Wedding, Funeral: By arrangement - please phone the Parish Office

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POPE LEO XIV'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR 2025

NOVEMBER: FOR THE PREVENTION OF SUICIDE.

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.



✠ PRAYER INTENTIONS: "OREMUS" ✠

Personal Intentions: Mervyn Hustler, Brenda Finlayson DSG, Kevin Verghese, Frances Gianfrancesco, Silvio Maiolo, John Kukulka, Margaret Reid, Maria Ricili Vilanueva, Renato & Maria Fe Repuyan, Patrick Moran, Claire Kelly, Bridget Collins, Helen Whitcomde, Luke Scanlon, Neil Young, Angele Haydar, Noah Forster & Jake Palandri and Sophie Phelan.

Eternal repose of the soul of Beverley Dillon whose funeral will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Friday 7th November at 11am. May her soul rest in peace.

Mass Intention: There will be no individual Mass Intentions for the whole month of November. Instead, there is a Mass Offering Envelope (to write the names of your departed loved ones) in the Cathedral Cloister and which can then be placed in the November Mass Intention Basket on the Altar steps.

General Intentions: Let us pray for the homeless, the lonely, the underprivileged in our community, and those suffering in silence due to domestic violence. Let us pray for peace in our world.



2025 JUBILEE YEAR PRAYER

As Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.
Amen.



OUR PARISH MISSION:

Our Mission is to continue growing as a community where people can meet Jesus Christ and grow in his life and mission in the Catholic Faith.

OUR PARISH VISION:

To be a Parish that is open and transparent, nurturing, united and inclusive.

To be a Community that is welcoming, embracing and caring for families, youth, and valuing cultural diversity.



Note: Please find someone to replace you if you are unable to do your roster. Please notify the Parish Office of the change. Thank you.

THIS WEEKEND Sat 1st; Sun 2nd November	Acolyte	Greeters	Commentary & Prayer of the Faithful	Reader	Ext. Min. of Holy Communion	Children's Liturgy	Altar Servers	Music	Morning Tea
Vigil Mass	Alfred L Terance O	Shirley D Ester L	Reader Required	Pat G	EMHC Required			Laudate Choir	
8am	Mick D	Cherylynne F Kath F	Sr Pauline	Daria S	Cheryl N Carmel F Margaret C			Joseline K	
10am	John I	Irene R Wally C	Deric D	Helen B	Marilou C Liz L Cathy R	Tricia Ward Ronelle L	Sophie D R Elijah D Abel R Abigail R	Parish Choir	
6pm	Mark J	David M	Reader Required	Reader Required	Terri P		Dean S	Music Required	

OCEAN STAR AGED CARE / SUNDAY 2PM	Pastoral Care Volunteers:	Elaine G	Readers:	Volunteer
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NEXT WEEKEND Sat 8th; Sun 9th November	Acolyte	Greeters	Commentary & Prayer of the Faithful	Reader	Ext. Min. of Holy Communion	Children's Liturgy	Altar Servers	Music	Morning Tea
Vigil Mass	Alfred L Terance O	Shirley D	Reader Required	Brad S	EMHC Required			Laudate Choir	
8am	Peter C	Kerry H Margaret C	Kerry H	Charlotte S	Robin W Cora C Lesley S			Joseline K	Cathy & Friends
10am	Acolyte Required	Joe DÉS Lynette A Verna H	Elaine T	Norrie P	Joe DÉS Nilda C Rosina I	Ronelle L Kendall L	Sophie D R Caleb S Shelby C Dionne L Declan K	Parish Choir	Southwest Filipino Australian Assoc Inc.
6pm	Joel G	David M	Reader Required	Nan M	Terri P		Matthew G Evan B	Melanie N	

OCEAN STAR AGED CARE / SUNDAY 2PM	Pastoral Care Volunteers:	Lesley S	Readers:	Chris L, Ethel N
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Lectio Divina		
3 November Monday	St Martin de Porres, religious	Rom 11:19-36: Ps 68:30-31, 33-34, 36-37: Lk 14:12-14:
4 November Tuesday	St Charles Borromeo, bishop ANGLICAN-ROMAN CATHOLIC RECONCILIATION	Rom 12:5-16: Ps 130: Lk 14:15-24:
5 November Wednesday	Weekday, Ordinary Time 31	Rom 13:8-10: Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9: Lk 14:25-33:
6 November Thursday	Weekday, Ordinary Time 31	Rom 14:7-12: Ps 26:1, 4, 13-14: Lk 15:1-10:
7 November Friday	Weekday, Ordinary Time 31	Rom 15:14-21: Ps 97:1-4: Lk 16:1-8:
8 November Saturday	Saturday Mass of Virgin Mary	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22- 27: Ps 144:2-5, 10-11: Lk 16:9-15:
9 November Sunday	THE DEDICATION of the LATERAN BASILICA Prison Sunday	Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9, 12: Ps 45:2-3, 5-6, 8-9: 1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17: Jn 2:13-22:

"God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7 MASS COLLECTIONS 26th October 2025 - Week 17 First Collection: \$ 2,117.70 Sacrificial Giving: \$ 3,296.15 THANK YOU		
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our parish life this coming week	
3 November Monday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery
4 November Tuesday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 10:30am: Healing Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 6pm: Rosary, St. Patrick's Cathedral
5 November Wednesday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 9am: Mass, Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Dardanup
6 November Thursday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 10am: Yr 1 Liturgy, St. Joseph's Catholic PS 11am: Mass, St. John of God Hospital Chapel 5pm: RCIA 2026
7 November Friday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 7:45am: Mass, Bunbury Catholic College 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 11am: Funeral, St. Patrick's Cathedral 11am: Mass, Regis Forrest Gardens 12:41pm: 'Chat with the Chap', Bunbury Catholic College 9am-9pm: Adoration, Blessed Sacrament Chapel
8 November Saturday	8am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 11am: Bell Ringers, St. Patrick's Cathedral 5pm: Reconciliation, St. Patrick's Cathedral 6pm: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 6pm: Mass, Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Dardanup
9 November Sunday	8am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 8.30am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 9am: Mass, Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Dardanup 10am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 10am: Mass, SJOGH Bunbury 1pm: Baptism, St. Patrick's Cathedral 2pm: Mass, Ocean Star 6pm: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral

THE DEDICATION of
the LATERAN
BASILICA
Prison Sunday

LITURGIES & DEVOTIONS AROUND THE PARISH

HOLY HOUR: All are invited to join us to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Cathedral every Tuesday at 6pm. Fellowship in the Parish Hall afterwards. All are welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: is held in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel every Friday from 9am to 9pm. All are welcome. For more information contact Rosemary 0402 459 678 or Barbara 0409 585 889.

PARISH NEWS

ALL SAINTS' & ALL SOULS' DAY: This weekend, in celebration of All Souls' Day, we will gather at Bunbury Cemetery on **Friday, 31st October at 5.30pm**, to prayerfully remember our faithful departed. The traditional blessing of the columbarium and memorial wall will take place on **Sunday, 2 November**, immediately after the **8am Mass**. Please note: The Solemnity of All Saints' will be celebrated on **1st November** at the **Saturday 8am Mass**. The Saturday Vigil Mass will be offered for All Souls' Day.

MONTH OF HOLY SOULS: During the month of November there are no individual Mass Intentions. All Masses celebrated during the month are offered collectively for the repose of the souls of all the faithfully departed. You will find November Mass Offering envelopes (to write the names of your departed loved ones) in the Cathedral Cloister, which can then be placed in the November Mass Intention basket on the altar steps.

CHRISTMAS CARDS & 2026 CALENDARS: The Parish Piety Store, located in the Parish Office, now has a selection of Christmas Cards (available in English & Italian). Also available are the much loved Columban Art Calendars (\$10) & Josephite Calendars (\$12). *Please note: the 2026 Edition will be the final release of the Josephite Calendar.* The Piety Store offers a variety of **books, rosaries, small ornaments and thoughtful gifts** and is regularly restocked with new items. Open during Parish Office Hours Monday - Friday, 9am - 3pm.

GENERAL NEWS

BELL RINGING AT ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL: A band of bell ringers visiting from the UK will be at the Cathedral on **Saturday 8th November**, ringing the bells from **11am - 12pm**. Everyone is invited to come along and enjoy the rich, resonant sounds of the Cathedral bells as they joyfully ring out into the community. Please note the bell tower is not accessible to the public during this time. For enquiries, please contact 0408 236 310.

THE SCALLAN CUP 2025 - PLAY WITH HEART, GIVE WITH HOPE: The Scallan Cup is an annual 5 a-side soccer charity tournament held at **Albert Oval, Bunbury** over the weekend of **29th & 30th November**. Now in it's 6th year, the tournament features junior, women's and men's divisions, with all proceeds supporting the **St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal**. For more information and registration details, please visit *The Scallan Cup* Facebook page, check out the

poster in the Cathedral cloister community folder, or email scallancup@gmail.com.

BUNBURY REGIONAL YOUTH CARE COUNCIL - HIGH TEA SUNDOWNER: Bunbury YouthCARE Council 2025 invite you to celebrate another year of YouthCARE Chaplaincy in the Bunbury region. All are welcome to join us for a delightful time of good food and conversation, accompanied by a glass of sparkling wine, music and stories of the year's achievements. **Date: Friday 28th November 4pm, Place: St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall.** Tickets are \$20 pp and available at the Parish Office. Please contact Rita 0493 620 718 or Carol 0427 217 107 for more information.

DIOCESAN NEWS

BISHOP GEORGE'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR CATHOLICCARE: Next weekend, the 8th & 9th of November, the Annual Christmas Appeal for Catholic-Care will take place. Appeal envelopes will be available at Mass from next week. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

CATECHIST MASS WITH BISHOP GEORGE: The Most Rev. Bishop George Kolodziej, SDS, DD, warmly invites all Catechists to attend a special **Catechists Mass at 11.00am on Wednesday, 10th December**. This celebration is an opportunity to come together in gratitude for the ministry and dedication of our catechists throughout the Diocese. All past and present catechists are invited to attend, including RCIA and Children's Liturgy catechists. Please RSVP as soon as possible to Sr Pauline at pauline.dundon@bunburycatholic.org.au.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATES

WORSHIP PILLAR

MINISTRY OF PROCLAIMING THE WORD AND COMMENTATING WORKSHOPS. We are grateful for the immediate feedback we've been receiving regarding the introduction of a few liturgical initiatives in our Sunday worship. Feedback, both positive and negative, is welcome. Please email your feedback to: feedback@bunburyparish.org or ppc.chair@bunburyparish.org

CENTRALITY OF THE EUCHARIST. The Worship Pillar Committee commits to finding ways for our parish life to be Eucharistic-centred.

HOSPITALITY PILLAR

IDENTIFYING AND EMPOWERING THE SPIRITUAL CHARACTER OF HOSPITALITY. The hospitality committee will focus on renewing the greeting ministry in the parish. The primary task at this stage is forming a hospitality committee. For this to be realised, a community campaign will be undertaken seeking parishioners who may be interested in being Mass greeters. Further, seeking membership on the hospitality committee is being prioritised.

EXPANDING AND STRUCTURING HOSPITALITY INITIATIVES. The hospitality ministry commits to establishing the St. Patrick's Care providing the following areas of hospitality: transportation, emergency meals (in conjunction with the out-

reach committee), gardening, home visitation (in conjunction with the Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist), and grief accompaniment.

OUTREACH PILLAR

FREE HOT LUNCH FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. Committee is looking forward to serving the wider community through the free lunch for the homeless which will now take place twice a month starting in September: 1st and 3rd Saturday.

ENHANCING COMMUNICATION AND PARISH-WIDE INVOLVEMENT IN OUTREACH. Please check out the new brochures in the cloister. Feel free to ring Anne and Ryan if you wish to volunteer or to know more about how you can help.

FORMATION PILLAR

• **EXPANDING FORMATION AND OUTREACH THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT.** Plan to update our parish website, which will be a medium for parish evangelisation

• **CREATIVE AND COMPASSIONATE EVANGELIZATION THROUGH LEADERSHIP FORMATION.** The formation committee will engage with our Bishop, Bishop George Kolodziej SDS DD, in considering a parish renewal.



NOVEMBER 2: Dressing up like a saint. This Sunday at the 10am Mass, we welcome our young children dressed up like their favourite saints. We sometimes loosely associate the Catholic tradition of dressing up like saints with the Halloween medieval tradition by dressing up characters of pagan origin. For us Catholics, questions arise whether this type of 'dressing up' aligns with our faith. Are our children unintentionally following a pagan practice?

There is however a link between 'Halloween' and the Catholic observances of All Souls' Day and All Saints' Day. The word 'hallow' means 'holy' in archaic English, the same manner in which we use the phrase, 'Hallowed be thy name' in the Lord's Prayer. Halloween is directly tied to the Catholic celebration of 'All Hallows' Eve' or the evening before 'All Saints' Day' when we, Catholics, honour all holy women and men who have gone before us. Halloween therefore refers to the fact that the day after the 1st of November is the 'Feast of All Saints,' a holy day honouring all of the holy ones.

Dressing up like saints is a creative way of honouring our saints. It gives not just our children but all of us the opportunity to gain insights into the lives of our saints and be inspired by the manner in which they lived their Christian faith.

Children who are dressed up like their favourite saints will join the entrance procession and will be presented to the parish community before the final blessing.

This initiative was proposed by our parish catechists: Ronelle Lewis, Melissa Mariasusay, Ralou Millan, Marina Schilling, Melanie Tan, and Tricia Ward.

"PARISH ENGAGED". Synodality means "walking together". Fr Pierre Repuyan, Dean of the Cathedral, would like to extend an invitation to parish and diocesan agencies operating in our parish to engage with the parish and share their plans for next year. This will help our parish, and our Parish Pastoral Council, work out how we can 'walk together' as a parish. We hope to listen to you on how we can serve you and how you can serve our parish too. On thing that we hope to happen is that our parish calendar next year will involve plans from the different parish and diocesan agencies and that activities can be planned out properly. We look forward to hearing from you.

SYNODAL EVANGELISATION TEAM. As reported previously, Bishop George Kolodziej, SDS, DD, formed the Synodal Evangelisation Team, for the implementation of synodality in parishes across our diocese. One of the aims is to organise a DIOCESAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY involving the many church leaders and parishioners across the diocese. Bishop George is very keen on realizing what is means for our diocese to be synodal as a way of life, as a way of being church. An indispensable element of this way of being church is 'listening'. There is a huge challenge in this form of listening since we often hear ourselves, our church in the pews; by synodality, if we are to walk together, we would need to include and listen to the voices of those beyond our pews such as the youth, the students, those who have left the church, other Christian Churches, the

homebound, the homeless, and many others.

The Synodal Evangelisation Team

Kerrie Merritt - Chairperson

Helen Brown - Deputy Chairperson

Aaron Faure - Treasurer

Vanessa Dickson - Member

Fr Archie Carampatan - Member

Fr Victor Lobo - Member

Fr Tony Chiera, Episcopal Vicar for Clergy - *ex officio*

Fr Pierre Repuyan, Vicar General - *ex officio*

Bishop George Kolodziej SDS DD - Bishop of Bunbury

There will be 'synodal' activities in leading up to the Diocesan General Assembly which is being planned for 6-8 August 2026.

ST. PAT'S CARE. The Hospitality Pillar will be launching St. Pat's Care during the weekend of 15-16 November. It will be launched by inviting parishioners to commit to a specific care area in which they are happy and willing to serve the community. St. Pat's Care is our parish's agency that intends to provide practical, emergency short term support for parishioners in need through the following care areas: emergency meals, home visitations, transportation, lawn mowing, and grief accompaniment. More details will be published in the coming weeks.

We would like to introduce our Care Area Coordinators:

EMERGENCY MEALS

Bruddie Paypon, Jhoe Tomas Bulala

HOME VISITATION

Grace Monka, Cathy Richichi

TRANSPORTATION

Joe D'Esposito

LAWN MOWING

Church Abrio

GRIEF ACCOMPANIMENT

Pat Greene

Please support our St. Pat's Care. "Charity really begins at home."

PARISH BULLETIN: new format. Our parish will be made available in A5 size (A4 folded as a booklet) commencing 7-8 of November. The digital version will still be in A4 size. The change in format will help reduce our printing costs.

PILGRIMAGE OF THE MIGRANT JUBILEE CROSS.

The Migrant Jubilee Cross is presently taking a pilgrimage to different dioceses and parishes around Australia. The Jubilee Cross will be visiting the Diocese of Bunbury on 4-17 May 2026. This initiative aims to offer our Catholic Church in Australia an opportunity to mark a dual celebration: the 111th World Day of Migrants and Refugees and the Jubilee of Migrants in October 2025. It also seeks to continue acknowledging and celebrating the faith, gifts, contributions, and resilience that migrant communities bring to our local Church and the wider world. Finally, it will serve as a preparation for the 8th ACMRO National Conference in 2026, which will focus on the role of migrant communities in a synodal Church.

PPC POST

by Helen Brown, Chairperson - Parish Pastoral Council

As we gather in prayer and reflection during this sacred time of All Saints and All Souls, the Parish Pastoral Council extends heartfelt blessings to each of you.

All Saints Day reminds us of the countless holy men and women—known and unknown—who have gone before us, living lives of faith, courage, and love. Their witness inspires us to walk our own path of holiness, grounded in the Gospel and strengthened by community. We honour their legacy and ask for their intercession as we strive to be Christ's light in the world.

On All Souls Day, we turn our hearts to those who have departed this life, especially our loved ones and members of our parish family. We remember them with love, pray for their eternal peace, and entrust them to God's infinite mercy. This day invites us to reflect on the gift of life, the hope of resurrection, and the promise that we are never truly separated from those we love in Christ.

Let us come together in prayer, liturgy, and quiet remembrance. May these days deepen our connection to the communion of saints and renew our hope in the life to come.

"WHY WE DO THE THINGS WE DO"

Source: teresapirola.net

Why do Catholics 'pray' to saints?

It is a common and beautiful practice for Christians to turn to one another for support and encouragement as they journey through life. The Catholic way of 'praying' to the saints is simply an extension of this practice of drawing support from our faith family. Far from undermining adoration of God, devotion to the saints strengthens our love of God.

Awareness of the saints raises our sights, empowers us to aspire to gospel qualities and helps us to see our earthly lives from the perspective of the promise of eternal life.

Why do we bless things?

Quite apart from the blessing of people and the blessing of the eucharistic bread and wine at Mass, Catholics are renowned for blessing objects: houses, medals, statues, vestments, food...even computers!

As found in scripture, a blessing is an authoritative pronouncement of God's favor. We bless as a way of placing our lives under the power of Christ. When we bless objects we acknowledge the goodness of God's creation and our desire to use these gifts for the service and glory of God.

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FAITH EDUCATION CORNER

by Sr. Christine Clarke, PBVM

Australians at the Synodal Jubilee

A number of Australians were in Rome last weekend for the Church's Jubilee celebrations: for the **Jubilee of Synodal Teams and Participatory Bodies**. Hundreds gathered from around the world to be part of the Church's commitment to **walking together in hope and mission**. The pope welcomed members of synodal teams and participatory bodies in the Paul VI Audience Hall in the Vatican.

Pope Leo XIV said the pursuit of synodality should strengthen the Catholic Church's mission of proclaiming the Gospel and help all Catholics learn to **collaborate** to make the world a better place. Many times Pope Francis had said that the purpose of synodality "is to help the church to be **missionary**, to **announce the Gospel**, to give **witness to the person of Jesus Christ** in every part of the world, to the ends of the earth."

Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB, led a seminar about synodal decision-making processes, noting there needs to be "a style, an attitude that helps us to be Church by promoting authentic experiences of **participation and communion**". Essential elements are **fidelity to the gospel** and our fundamental **identity as disciples of Christ**.

The activities during the jubilee celebration included a pilgrimage and passage through the Holy Door at St Peter's Basilica, workshops, a Marian prayer vigil and a Mass presided by Pope Leo.

<https://mediablog.catholic.org.au/australian-contingent-in-rome-for-synod-jubilee/>

QUOTES FROM THE EARLY CHURCH FATHERS

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Daily Quote from the Early Church Fathers:

To see Christ, by Cyril of Alexandria (376-444 AD)

"Come and let us see what was the method of Zacchaeus's conversion. He desired to see Jesus and therefore climbed into a sycamore tree, and so a seed of salvation sprouted within him. Christ saw this with the eyes of deity. Looking up, he also saw Zacchaeus with the eyes of humanity, and since it was his purpose for all to be saved, he extends his gentleness to him. To encourage him, he says, 'Come down quickly.' Zacchaeus searched to see Christ, but the multitude prevented him, not so much that of the people but of his sins. He was short of stature, not merely in a bodily point of view but also spiritually. He could not see him unless he were raised up from the earth and climbed into the sycamore, by which Christ was about to pass. The story contains a puzzle. In no other way can a person see Christ and believe in him except by climbing up into the sycamore, by making foolish his earthly members of fornication, uncleanness, etc."

(excerpt from COMMENTARY ON LUKE, HOMILY 127)

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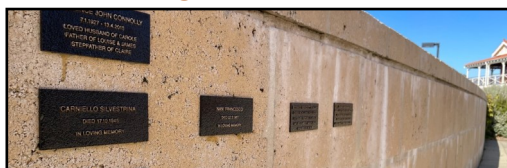


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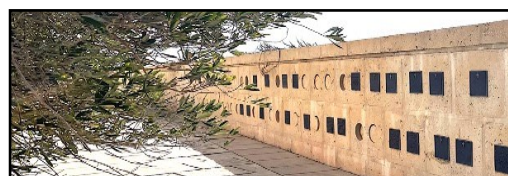
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Gospel

Luke 7:11-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Luke

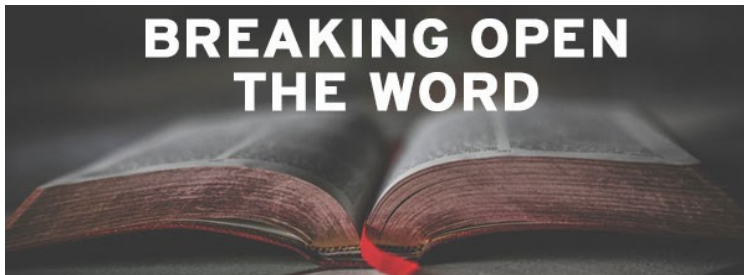
Jesus went to a town called Nain, accompanied by his disciples and a great number of people. When he was near the gate of the town it happened that a dead man was being carried out for burial, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a considerable number of the townspeople were with her. When the Lord saw her he felt sorry for her. 'Do not cry' he said. Then he went up and put his hand on the bier and the bearers stood still, and he said, 'Young man, I tell you to get up.' And the dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Everyone was filled with awe and praised God saying, 'A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.' And this opinion of him spread throughout Judaea and all over the countryside.

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 11: 25-26

I am the Resurrection and the Life, says the Lord.
Whoever believes in me, even though he dies, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever.



"Commemorating All Souls"

"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day." John 6:40

Yesterday's Solemnity of All Saints gave us an opportunity to celebrate and rejoice in the fact that there are countless people who have gone before us who are now enjoying the glories of Heaven. These faithful souls lived lives that were grounded in God's grace and have been fully purified of all sin. They now gaze at our good God face-to-face.

Today, we commemorate the fact that many who die in a state of grace are not immediately ready to stand before the glorious throne of God and see Him face-to-face. The only way this is possible is if every sin and every attachment to sin is purged from our souls. We must have nothing but pure charity alive within us if

we are to enter the eternal glories of Heaven. But how many people die in such a state?

The Church, in her wisdom and holiness, has taught clearly through the centuries that when a person passes from this world to the next while still attached to less serious sin, they need to be fully purified in order to enter Heaven. This is Purgatory. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned" (#1030–31a).

For some, Purgatory can be a frightening and even confusing thought. Why doesn't God, in His infinite mercy, simply take all our loved ones who followed Him straight to Heaven? The answer is simple. He does! And the path for them to Heaven is this incredible mercy of their final purification.

Purification of all attachment to sin within our soul is a mercy beyond what we can imagine. Through this final purification, God prepares the holy souls who have died for an eternity of joy. But this purification is necessary because God, in His love, does not want any soul to live eternally with even a minor attachment to sin. God wants us all free. The truth is that every sin on our soul, even the smallest one, is reason enough for us to be excluded from Heaven. So Purgatory must be seen as a final mercy from God by which He lifts every last burden that keeps us from perfect love, so that our eternity will be one of utmost freedom and ecstasy. God wants us to be filled only with the purity of love forever. Thus, upon our death, we are graced to enter into a final and intense purification of every minor sin, so that when we see God in all His glory, we will see Him with the perfection to which we are called. Purgatory is a gift, a grace, a mercy. It will be painful to go through in the same way that overcoming any sin is painful. But the good fruit of freedom from sin makes every final purification we must endure worth it a hundredfold and more.

Reflect, today, upon the spiritual truth that God wants you to be a saint. If you are among those few who die in a state in which you are purified from every sin, then be assured that you have already completed your purgatory on earth. But if you or your loved ones are among the many who still hold some minor attachment to sin at the time of death, then rejoice that God is not done with you yet. Anticipate with much gratitude the final purification that awaits and look forward to the freedom that ultimately comes from that purification.

My merciful Lord, You desire that my soul and the souls of all your faithful be purified of every sin, even the smallest imperfection. I thank You for the mercy of Purgatory and pray that I will continually work toward that purification here and now. I pray, also, for all those who have gone before me and are still in need of these purifying fires. Pour forth Your mercy upon them so that they may be counted among the saints in Heaven. Jesus, I trust in You.

MASS HYMNS	Gathering	Offertory	Communion	Reflection	Mission
6PM SAT	BB 61	BB 59	Chant	BB 4	AOV1 094
8AM SUN	AOV1 29	BB 338	AOV2 62	BB 430	AOV1 57
10AM SUN	AOV1 63	AOV1 146	AOV1 114	AOV1 26	AOV1 29
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