

## A WARM WELCOME TO ALL!!

29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, A2  
World Mission Day  
18<sup>th</sup> October 2026

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL PARISH  
Catholic Diocese of Bunbury  
Bunbury, Western Australia



“WANDJU, NIDJA NOONGAR BOODJA.”

### 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.



### POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

**“Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.”**

**Mass Intention(s):** Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Maricel Cardeno.

**General Intentions:** Let us pray for peace in our world. Let us pray for the homeless, the underprivileged, those suffering in silence due to domestic violence, for migrants, refugees, asylum seekers and seasonal workers.

**Cathedral Parish:** Let us pray for our young people who have just received Holy Communion for the first time last Sunday. Let us pray for those discerning to join the Catholic Church – RCIA 2027.

**Prayer Requests:** Max McGee, Val Nanut, Lynette Amonini, Fr Roy Pereira, Mervyn Hustler, Brenda Finlayson DSG, Kevin Verghese, Silvio Maiolo, John Kukulka, Margaret Reid, Maria Ricili Villanueva, Renato and Maria Fe Repuyan, Patrick Moran, Claire Kelly, Bridget Collins, Helen Whitcombe, Luke Scanlon, Angele Haydar, Noah Forster and Jake Palandri, Amie & Joy Dealino and Adrian Seale.

**Diocese:** Let us pray that the fruits of the Diocesan General Assembly be well-received by parish communities across the Diocese of Bunbury.

*We invite you to request prayers from our parish community for any of your family members, relations and friends and we will include them on our prayer list. Their consent, however, is required for publication.*



## “SERVING GOD THROUGH CIVIL SOCIETY”

The kingdom of God is already present in our world. It is here that we practise the kingdom values of justice, honesty, love and compassion. It is here that we show our faith in action, work for love and persevere in hope. When we contribute to the well-being of civil society we are promoting the kingdom of God.

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 16: 6, 8

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God;  
turn your ear to me; hear my words.  
Guard me as the apple of your eye;  
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

### First Reading

Isaiah 45:1,4-6

#### *A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whom he has taken by his right hand  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip the loins of kings,  
to force gateways before him

that their gates be closed no more:

‘It is for the sake of my servant Jacob,  
of Israel my chosen one,  
that I have called you by your name,  
conferring a title though you do not know me.  
I am the Lord, unrivalled;  
there is no other God besides me.  
Though you do not know me, I arm you  
that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun  
that, apart from me, all is nothing.’

The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Responsorial Psalm*

Psalm 95(96):1,3-5,7-10

**R. Give the Lord glory and honour.**

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| 1. O sing a new song to the Lord,<br>sing to the Lord all the earth.<br>Tell among the nations his glory<br>and his wonders among all the<br>peoples. <b>R.</b>             | 3. Give the Lord, you families of<br>peoples,<br>give the Lord glory and power;<br>give the Lord the glory of his name.<br>Bring an offering and enter his<br>courts. <b>R.</b> |
| 2. The Lord is great and worthy of<br>praise,<br>to be feared above all gods;<br>the gods of the heathens are naught.<br>It was the Lord who made the<br>heavens. <b>R.</b> | 4. Worship the Lord in his temple.<br>O earth, tremble before him.<br>Proclaim to the nations: ‘God is king.’<br>He will judge the peoples in<br>fairness. <b>R.</b>            |

*Second Reading*

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

*A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians*

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Shine on the world like bright stars;  
you are offering it the word of life.  
Alleluia!

Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:15-21

Priest: The Lord be with you.  
**People: And with your Spirit.**  
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.  
**People: Glory to you, Lord.**

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 32: 18-19

Behold, the eyes of the Lord  
are on those who fear him,  
who hope in his merciful love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine.



## An Alliance in Christ

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)



The Tribute Money by Titian, 1560-8

*The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap him in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone’s opinion, for you do not regard a person’s status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?” Matthew 22:15–17*

The Herodians were a political group who supported the rule of Herod Antipas and his dynasty. They favoured collaboration with the Roman Empire and upheld the Herodian line as the legitimate rulers over Judea. For the sake of national stability, they promoted political compromise.

The Pharisees, on the other hand, were a religious sect devoted to the Law of Moses and the strict observance of Jewish customs, though often corrupted by legalism. They viewed Gentile rule as a threat to the sanctity of God's covenant and wielded great influence over the people due to their outward piety and perceived religious authority.

Given their stark political and theological differences, the alliance formed between the Pharisees and the Herodians in their plot against Jesus is both startling and revealing. Despite their longstanding enmity, they found common ground in their mutual hatred of Jesus. The Pharisees sought to undermine His credibility among the people, while the Herodians hoped to present Him as a threat to Roman authority. Together, they constructed a trap, hoping Jesus would either speak against the Law or against Caesar—either of which would serve their purposes.

Hatred, envy, jealousy, pride, and self-righteousness can forge what appears to be unity—even among rivals—but it is a unity rooted in darkness, a counterfeit communion built on shared agendas rather than truth. It is the kind of alliance in which Satan himself rejoices. Such false unity always unravels. Anything built on pride and sin cannot stand. Unity can only endure where truth, humility, and love prevail.

As we look around us, we see many such counterfeit alliances formed not by shared conviction in what is good and true, but by convenience in opposing what threatens personal influence or power. Individuals and groups unite to silence voices that speak uncomfortable truths. This is frequently seen in politics and culture, but is also tragically found even within the Church. In every case, truth is twisted, motives are disguised, and God's pure and holy will becomes the object of attack. When such unholy alliances take root within the Church, they do grave damage to our common mission to proclaim the Gospel in truth.

True Christian unity is not grounded in shared ambitions or human agendas, but in the Person of Jesus Christ. It is expressed through charity, humility, and fidelity to God's will. It is not built on calculation or convenience but on the self-emptying love of Christ, who calls us to die to self and live for Him. Our only agenda must be that God be glorified and His children drawn into His glory and sanctification. As members of His Body, the Church, our unity must reflect the communion of the Most Holy Trinity, rooted in divine love, not in political expediency or pride.

Reflect today on the unity to which you are called. Do you form alliances based on personal ambition or on wholehearted worship of God? Reflect especially upon your involvement within the Church and consider whether, even unintentionally, you act more like a politician or lobbyist than a true disciple of Christ. Commit yourself not to an agenda, but to Jesus. Worship Him, surrender your life to Him, and allow Him to unite you with other members of His Body, the Church. Such unity is the only unity that endures all things and bears lasting fruit.

*My Jesus and Head of Your Church, You call all Christians to form a spiritual bond that is forged through union with You. Grant me the grace of humility and charity, so that I may work within Your Church not with a personal agenda, but with mercy and truth. May I seek Your will alone and set aside my own ideas and preferences, choosing only You and Your eternal glory. Jesus, I trust in You.*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,

*At the words that follow, up to and including  
'the Virgin Mary', all bow.*

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again  
from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.  
Amen.



**ST. FRANCIS, PRAY FOR US.**

## PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

**Celebrant:** We are called to share in Christ's mission, and trusting in God's love for all people, we bring our prayers before God:

1. We pray for the Church: may we be a missionary people, recognising Christ in all and sharing the Gospel through lives of faith, hope, and love. We pray to the Lord.

2. We pray for the of the world: may all people come to know God's presence and be drawn into justice, peace, and unity. We pray to the Lord.

3. We pray for missionaries and those who serve: may all who proclaim the Gospel in word and action, be guided by the Holy Spirit. We pray to the Lord.

4. We pray for those in need: may the poor, the vulnerable, and the forgotten be upheld in dignity, and supported through the generosity of others. We pray to the Lord.

5. We pray for community: may we recognise the image of God in one another and respond with compassion, generosity, and openness. We pray to the Lord.

6. We pray for those who mourn: may they be comforted in hope. We pray to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** God of all nations, you call us to share in your mission of love. Hear these prayers and guide us in your way. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

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

| THIS WEEKEND<br>17 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup> October | Vigil Mass               | 8am                                               | 10am                                   | 6pm                         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Acolyte                                                     | Sem Chris/Miles M        | Kim H                                             | Ryan M                                 | Mark J                      |
| Greeters                                                    | Ester L                  | Kath F<br>Kerry H                                 | Wally C                                | David M<br>Peta T           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading/<br>Responsorial Psalm              | <i>Reader Needed</i>     | Malena C                                          | Deric D                                | Nan M                       |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading/<br>Prayer of the Faithful          | <i>Reader Needed</i>     | Charlotte S                                       | Sonia B                                | Joan T                      |
| Extraordinary<br>Minister of Holy<br>Communion              | Linda L<br>Teresa H      | Cora C, Lesley S<br>Robin W<br><i>EMHC Needed</i> | Cathy R, Helen B<br>Sophie L, Norrie P | Stephen H, Terri P<br>Nan M |
| Children's Liturgy                                          |                          |                                                   | Ralou M<br>Ollen M                     |                             |
| Altar Servers                                               | Earl T                   |                                                   | Leonce L<br>Alfonsa Maria J            | Matthew G<br>Evan B         |
| Music                                                       | <i>Recorded Music</i>    | J&M Group                                         | Trinity Choir                          | Laudate Choir               |
| Morning Tea                                                 |                          |                                                   |                                        |                             |
| OCEAN STAR / SUNDAY 2PM                                     | Pastoral Care Volunteers | Max &<br>Margaret M                               | Readers                                | Volunteer                   |

| NEXT WEEKEND<br>24 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup> October | Vigil Mass               | 8am                                                | 10am                                    | 6pm                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Acolyte                                                     | Alfred L                 | John L                                             | <i>Acolyte Needed</i>                   | Joel G              |
| Greeters                                                    | Ester L                  | Cherylynne F<br><i>Greeter Needed</i>              | Verna L H                               | David M             |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading/<br>Responsorial Psalm              | Pat G                    | Greg D                                             | Maia R                                  | Terri P             |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading/<br>Prayer of the Faithful          | Pat G                    | Cathy Y                                            | Elaine T                                | Gobi M              |
| Extraordinary<br>Minister of Holy<br>Communion              | Linda L                  | Daria S, Cheryl N<br>David N<br><i>EMHC Needed</i> | Marilou C, Nilda C<br>Liz L, Cathy R    | Pauline H<br>Gobi M |
| Children's Liturgy                                          |                          |                                                    | Carla K<br>Tricia W                     |                     |
| Altar Servers                                               | Earl T                   |                                                    | Abel R, Abigail R<br>Elijah D, Leonce L |                     |
| Music                                                       | Sim R                    | Craig F                                            | Couples for Christ                      | Mark J              |
| Morning Tea                                                 |                          | Margaret C<br>& Connie B                           | Couples for Christ                      |                     |
| OCEAN STAR / SUNDAY 2PM                                     | Pastoral Care Volunteers | Jan B                                              | Readers                                 | Anne M              |

| CLEANERS  | 1 <sup>st</sup> week                                                       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> week | 3 <sup>rd</sup> week                                       | 4 <sup>th</sup> week | 5 <sup>th</sup> week |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Toilets   | A Parishioner                                                              | A Parishioner        | Julie K                                                    | Jan G                | Shirley D            |
| Cathedral | Group 1: 1 <sup>st</sup> week, Fri 5pm<br>Leaders: Bruddie P./Jhoemarie B. |                      | Group 2: 3 <sup>rd</sup> week, Thu 6pm<br>Leaders: John J. |                      | Thank you!           |



### SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT STATEMENT

We hold zero-tolerance to all forms of abuse to ensure the safety and protection of children and vulnerable people. Grounded in our faith, we are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in our activities, legal and ethical standards in creating a community where harm is neither ignored nor tolerated.

The Eucharistic sacrifice “is the fount and apex of the whole Christian life....”

Lumen gentium 11

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| <b>19 October</b><br>Monday<br>Sts John de Brebeuf &<br>Isaac Jogues<br>St Paul of the Cross | 7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>20 October</b><br>Tuesday                                                                 | 7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery<br>6pm: Rosary, Blessed Sacrament Chapel                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>21 October</b><br>Wednesday                                                               | 7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery<br>6pm: BCC Graduation Mass                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>22 October</b><br>Thursday<br>St John Paul II                                             | 7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery<br>9am: Year 2 Class Visit, St. Mary's Catholic Primary School<br>10am: School Visit, St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School<br>11am: Mass, St. John of God Hospital<br>6pm: RCIA 2027                                                                                  |
| <b>23 October</b><br>Friday<br>St John of Capistrano                                         | 7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>7:45am: Mass, Bunbury Catholic College<br>9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery<br>9am-9pm: Adoration, Blessed Sacrament Chapel<br>10:45am: Mass, Opal Bunbury Gardens<br>12:41pm: Bunbury Catholic College – ‘Chat with the Chap’                                                                          |
| <b>24 October</b><br>Saturday<br>Mass of the Virgin Mary<br>St Anthony Claret                | 8am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery<br>2pm: Baptism, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>5pm: Reconciliation, St Patrick's Cathedral<br>6pm: Vigil Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>25 October</b><br>Sunday<br>30 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in<br>ORDINARY TIME                   | 8am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>8.30am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery<br>10am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>10am: Mass, St. John of God Hospital<br>12:30pm: Syro Malabar Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral ( <i>Cancelled</i> )<br>2pm: Mass, Ocean Star<br>4pm: Baptism, St. Patrick's Cathedral<br>6pm: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral |

“Each of you must give as you have made up  
your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion,  
for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:7

Thank you for your generosity.

**MASS COLLECTIONS**  
**11<sup>th</sup> October 2026 – Week 15**

First Collection: \$ 2,458.90  
Sacrificial Giving: \$ 2,987.25



## LITURGIES & DEVOTIONS

**HOLY ROSARY.** You are all welcome to join the weekly praying of the Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Tuesday at 6pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Fellowship in the Parish Hall afterwards. All welcome to attend. For more information contact Rosemary 0402 459 678.



**OUR PARISH OBSERVES THIS OCTOBER, THE MONTH OF HOLY ROSARY.** Join us in praying the Holy Rosary every Tuesday. Please feel free to visit the Cathedral and pray the Holy Rosary at Mary's Chapel.



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** is held in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel every Friday from 9am to 9pm.

## PARISH NEWS

**BAPTISM.** We pray for Elleni Kahlia Gonzales who will receive the grace of the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY.** Celebrating 100 years of World Mission Sunday. World Mission Sunday was established by Pope Pius XI in 1926. This anniversary is an opportunity to celebrate with renewed missionary zeal. Last year, Pope Leo XIV appealed to us, "Please help me help missionaries everywhere." That's what World Mission Sunday is about: helping Pope Leo XIV care for the 1,130 missionary dioceses and territories under his supervision.

Our prayers and support will be a great help in bringing the Gospel of God's love to everyone. Your financial assistance we helps extend the Church's evangelizing work to missionary areas where the Gospel is being proclaimed for the first

time, as well as to places where the Church is too young, persecuted or poor to sustain herself. Thank you for responding to Pope Leo XIV's renewed call to help him support missionaries to the ends of the earth!

**SAVE THE DATE.** You are warmly invited to participate in our parish celebration of the Solemnity of the Christ the King on 22 November. The Sunday 10am Mass will involve the procession of the Blessed Sacrament around the Cathedral precinct and morning tea in the parish hall. On this Sunday, as we have done in the past, we give thanks to God for all our parish volunteers for their selfless generosity. More information will be published in the coming weeks.

**MONS. JOHN FINLAYSON.** We are sincerely grateful to Msgr. John for his availability and willingness to help with our parish Masses. We are certainly blessed to have Mons. John around whom we can call upon whenever he is available.

**ALL SAINTS' & ALL SOULS' DAY.** This year, our parish celebration of All Souls' Day will be held on **Monday, 2 November at 5.30pm** at the Bunbury Cemetery. On this day, we prayerfully remember our faithful departed. The traditional blessing of the columbarium and memorial wall will take place on **Sunday, 1 November**, after the 8am Mass.

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LAUDATO SI' ACTION GOALS.

Join in the annual Peace Walk for Climate Justice Tuesday 12 May 2026 8:30 – 11:30 from Wardandi Boodja, Koombana to St Augustine Worship and Community Centre, 119 Mangles Street. This year we are focusing on the positive effects of

peace on the world's climate. 8:30 Prayers for Climate Justice (Hindu, Bahai, Urantia) - Koombana. 8:40 – 9 Walk to Tara Meditation Centre (Buddhist)- Clifton Street Prayers for peace and climate justice. 9:10 – 9:30 Walk to St Patrick's Cathedral (Roman Catholic) - Money St Prayers for peace and climate justice, (toilets open). 9:45 – 9:55 Walk to St Boniface Cathedral (Anglican) - Cross Street Prayers for peace and climate justice (toilets open). 10:40 – 11 Walk to St Augustine (Uniting) – 119 Mangles Street. Prayers for peace and climate justice, morning tea. Approximate time for event is 3 hours. Approximate distance covered five and a half kilometres. (It's ok to drive if you can't walk that distance.) For catering purposes, please let us know if you will be joining us [office@bunburyuniting.church](mailto:office@bunburyuniting.church) Everyone is welcome to join us.

As we celebrate today 100 years of World Mission Sunday, we are reminded by Pope Leo XIV that we are 'One in Christ, United in Mission'. Join with us in celebration and action by supporting this work with a compassionate gift. Use the provided appeal envelope, scan the QR code, or visit [catholicmission.org.au/united](http://catholicmission.org.au/united) to make a difference today. To learn more, email Diocesan Director, Shendelle Mullane, at [bunbury.director@catholicmission.org.au](mailto:bunbury.director@catholicmission.org.au)

**ROSARY RALLY.** St Bernard's Parish, Kojonup warmly invites you to join us for the Historic 70th annual Rosary Rally, Sunday, 25th October St Bernard's Church 10am Mass and Benediction with Father Tony Chiera Followed by morning tea at St Bernard's School. Then the Rosary at the Grotto. All welcome.

## COMMUNITY NEWS



### BUNBURY REGIONAL YOUTH CARE COUNCIL - HIGH TEA SUNDOWNER.

Join to celebrate another great year of YouthCARE Chaplaincy in the Bunbury region with good food and conversation, accompanied by a glass of sparkling wine or grape juice plus tea, coffee or apple juice, background music and stories of the year's achievements. Be there for the Raffle Draw at the event finale! Make up a table of 10 or come as one. Date: Friday 20th November 4pm-6:30pm, Place: St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall. Tickets are \$25 pp and available via church contacts until 18<sup>th</sup> October. No door sales. For more information contact Marg Garrett 0439854887 and Church contact Rita 0493620718.



Free call: 1800 257 296  
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## WORLD MISSION

**MONTH.** Today you are invited to partner with Catholic Mission and the Church in Malawi as we support families rebuilding after devastating floods and help children access education close to home. Through projects like St Peter's Nyamikuta Primary School, the Church is creating a place where children can learn, be nourished, and grow with dignity, regardless of their background or beliefs.



## RCIC: First Holy Communion

Congratulations to all our young RCIC candidates for their reception of Holy Communion for the first time last Sunday during the 6pm Mass. It was last 26 April when they received the grace of the sacrament of baptism. Prior to that, they had been receiving catechetical instructions regarding the Catholic faith. Last Sunday was a moving and powerful testament to the faith of these young people. Please continue to pray for them as their journey moves forward to the reception of the Sacrament of confirmation sometime next year. We are grateful to their family and friends for their support. Likewise, to Fr Joel, Fr Nathan and Seminarian Chris and the Parish Office Staff for all their support. I am certain that each one of them is thankful to parishioners for all your messages of encouragement and prayerful support.



## OUR PARISH IS SEEKING NEW SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

Our Cathedral Parish is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children, young people, and adults experiencing vulnerabilities and seek to increase the number of Safeguarding Officers within the Parish. This role involves being a point of contact for our parish community on Safeguarding requirements, support for the Parish Priest, the Cathedral Dean and the parish to raise awareness of our collective responsibility around safeguarding, and to help ensure the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards are implemented. This position will work closely with the Dean of the Cathedral. Our Cathedral Parish Safeguarding will be administered in cooperation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator. Training and ongoing support will be provided. If you would like to be part of a vibrant team or like more information, please contact the Parish office : 9721 2141 or seek information through the Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator: 9721 0517 or [safeguarding@bunburycatholic.org.au](mailto:safeguarding@bunburycatholic.org.au).

## LET US PRAY FOR POPE LEO XIV who has lung cancer



**Heavenly Father**, we lift up to You our beloved Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, following his recent cancer diagnosis.

Lord Jesus, You are the Divine Physician. We thank You for guiding him safely through his surgery, and we ask that You complete the work of healing You have begun in him. Command every cell in his body to be restored to perfect health. Grant him immense physical strength, help him to offer up any pain, and calm his mind with Your transcendent peace. Keep him safely in Your loving hands so that he may continue to shepherd Your Church and bring people together across the world. We ask this through the most powerful name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

St. Peregrine, pray for Pope Leo.

Saint Pope John Paul II, pray for Pope Leo.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux, pray for Pope Leo.

St. Bernardine of Siena, pray for Pope Leo.

Mary, our Blessed Mother, in your maternal goodness, wrap our Holy Father, Pope Leo, in your mantle of love and protection. Amen.

IN BUNBURY, Saturday, 14 November 2026, starting at 10am

23 OCTOBER - 17 NOVEMBER 2026  
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**FR ROZO PALIC**

HEALING MASS | TALK | ADORATION | PRAYER | BLESSING

"The resurrection of Christ is the most beautiful thing in our faith. Jesus truly rose and this is the source of our meaning of life and also of our hope."

*Fr Rozo Palic*

"Only the living Word of God, only Christ, can become and remain our support."

*Fr Rozo Palic*



SCAN  
FOR  
LOCATIONS  
& DETAILS

"At Fr Rozo's healing Mass, I had no expectations. Four days after he laid his hands upon me, my heart function was declared normal again. My energy, appetite, and life were restored. Praise God for His mercy!"  
*Helen*

"I was virtually wheelchair-bound before. After prayer, I felt an immediate sense of peace and, slowly, my health returned. I can now walk and live freely again."  
*Helen*



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**FR. NATHAN  
BARRIE**

This week has been a reminder of the many different ways a priest is invited to share in the lives of others. I had the joy of celebrating a wedding and blessing a home.

A wedding is always a beautiful occasion, as two people begin a new chapter of their lives together, asking God to bless their marriage and accompany them in the years ahead. A house blessing is another special opportunity to pray that a home may be a place of peace, love, and faith, where all who live there and visit are welcomed and cared for.

Please also join me in praying for Pope Leo and his continued good health, that the Lord may strengthen him in his ministry of shepherding the universal Church.

We also give thanks for the Sisters of Carmel in Gelorup, who are celebrating 50 years of their monastery. Their life of prayer and contemplation is a precious gift to our Diocese and the wider Church. May the Lord continue to bless their community and sustain them in their vocation.

God bless us.



**FR. JOEL  
VILLANUEVA OSJ**

Visitation is one of the most beautiful and touching parts of my priestly ministry here in Australia. Every time I visit someone at their home, at the hospital or at home care, I am reminded that I am not simply bringing the Church. I am entering a sacred space where life unfolds with all its joys, struggles, tears, and hopes.

My time in Albany gave me a beautiful memory that I will always treasure: my Tuesdays with Nonna Pierrina. Every Tuesday, I looked forward to our sumptuous lunch and a cup of coffee. Yet, what made those Tuesdays special was never just the food. It was the conversations we shared. We talked about family, life, memories, and the things that mattered to her. In those ordinary moments, I discovered something profound: sometimes, the greatest gift we can give another person is our time. Those memories remind me that priesthood is not lived only at the altar or in the pulpit. It is also lived around a dining table, over a cup of coffee, and in the quiet moments when someone feels free enough to share what is in their heart. Perhaps this is the mystery of visitation. I come as a priest to bring Christ to others, but I often discover that Christ has been waiting for me there all along.





# LECTIO DIVINA

## STEPS OF *LECTIO DIVINA*

1. **Prepare (Silencio):** Take a few moments to quiet yourself, get in a comfortable position, and become aware of God's presence.
2. **Read (Lectio):** Read the Scripture passage slowly, out loud if possible. Listen for a nudge: What words or images is the Spirit drawing you toward today?
3. **Meditate (Meditatio):** Re-read the Scripture passage, lingering over the person/word/phrase that captured your attention. Let your imagination engage the story/text. Reflect on how it might intersect with your life today.
4. **Pray (Oratio):** Read through the Scripture passage another time, allowing the Scripture to lead you into a prayer/response to God. Talk to God about what has come to mind, and how He might be inviting you to respond.
5. **Contemplate (Contemplatio):** Rest in the awareness of God's presence, remaining open to anything else the Holy Spirit might stir in your heart. If your mind wanders, gently redirect your thoughts toward God. Simply be still. Expect nothing. Enjoy a moment of fellowship with God that goes deeper than words. God loves you.

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| <b>19 October</b><br>Monday    | Weekday, Ordinary Time 29<br>Sts John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues,<br>priests, and companions, martyrs<br>St Paul of the Cross, priest | Eph 2:1-10<br>Ps 99<br>Lk 12:13-21                                |
| <b>20 October</b><br>Tuesday   | Weekday, Ordinary Time 29                                                                                                              | Eph 2:12-22<br>Ps 84:9-14<br>Lk 12:35-38                          |
| <b>21 October</b><br>Wednesday | Weekday, Ordinary Time 29                                                                                                              | Eph 3:2-12<br>Is 12:2-6<br>Lk 12:39-48                            |
| <b>22 October</b><br>Thursday  | Weekday, Ordinary Time 29<br>St John Paul II, pope                                                                                     | Eph 3:14-21<br>Ps 32:1-2, 4-5, 11-12,<br>18-19<br>Lk 12:49-53     |
| <b>23 October</b><br>Friday    | Weekday, Ordinary Time 29<br>St John of Capistrano, priest                                                                             | Eph 4:1-6<br>Ps 23:1-6<br>Lk 12:54-59                             |
| <b>24 October</b><br>Saturday  | Weekday, Ordinary Time 29<br>Saturday Mass of Virgin Mary<br>St Anthony Claret, bishop                                                 | Eph 4:7-16<br>Ps 121:1-5<br>Lk 13:1-9                             |
| <b>25 October</b><br>Sunday    | 30 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME                                                                                               | Ex 22:20-26<br>Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51<br>1 Thess 1:5-10<br>Mt 22:34-40 |

**PPC Post** by Helen Brown, Chairperson of the Parish Pastoral Council

The PPC is preparing for a busy time in the Church's Liturgical Calendar with many opportunities to bring the people of God together to build the Kingdom and reach out to others in love and service.

Do you have an emotional reaction to events and incidents where peoples' rights are abused, and dignity forgotten? Do you wonder about what happens to Catholic students who are not schooled in the Catholic Education System? Is the Spirit calling you to serve? Are you being prompted to act?

A vacancy exists on the YouthCare Committee with the retirement of Rita Piparo and this essential community group needs a member of the Bunbury Parish to be a voice. Please email/call Father Pierre, myself (ppc.chair@bunburyparish.org.au) or the Parish Office if you can assist.

The Diocesan Social Justice Committee is also seeking committed people to expand the committee. If you would like to nominate, please contact Father Pierre, myself (ppc.chair@bunburyparish.org.au) or the Parish Office.

**Important update:** Congratulations Helenmary and Doreen on your role of Lead Safeguarding Officers for the Bunbury Parish. Although safeguarding is the responsibility of all in the Parish, it is reassuring to have such dedicated and faithful women leading and supporting us in our efforts.

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### The Second Vatican Council - 11 October 1962

by Sr. Christine Clarke, PBVM

Last Sunday was the feast of **Pope St John XXIII** - not according to the usual custom of the day a person died, but because he was instrumental in bringing about the Second Ecumenical Council to be held in the Vatican, which began on 11 October 1962.

This Council was the 21st ecumenical council of the Roman Catholic church. On **11 October, 1962**, the Council formally opened, and ran through four sessions. Sessions 2-4 were presided over by **Pope St Paul VI**, who succeeded Pope John in June 1963. The council concluded on 8 December 1965.

Pope John's opening message to the Council and the world, was the hope to **renew "ourselves and the flocks committed to us"** and radiate the love of Jesus Christ to the world. Approximately 2500 bishops of the Roman Catholic church, (Western and Eastern rites), were the main participants. Non-Catholic Christian churches and others were invited to send observers.

The council produced 16 documents: on divine revelation, the sacred liturgy, the church in the modern world, the instruments of social communication, ecumenism, Eastern Catholic churches, renewal of religious life, the laity, the ministry and life of priests, missionary activity, Christian education, the relationship of the church to non-Christian religions, and religious freedom.

Important for the life of the Church have been the documents on the **Church** (the role of the bishops); the **Sacred Liturgy** (using the vernacular in the liturgy and greater lay participation); the Modern World (issues in the contemporary world); and **Ecumenism** (relations with other Christian churches).

All this year Pope Leo has been speaking about Vatican II at his weekly audiences – <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/audiences/2026.index.html>

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### ST. PAT'S OUTREACH

offers some practical support and accompaniment to members of our wider community particularly to those who are experiencing homelessness. We commit to following the example of Jesus Christ who reminds us that: "Whatever you did to one of the least sisters and brothers of mine, you did it also to be" (Matthew 25:40).

**WE ACCEPT DONATIONS FOR OUR CARE PACKS WE GIVE TO THE HOMELESS. Kindly leave your donations in the basket found in the Cathedral cloister:** e.g. toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, etc. Cash donations are also accepted. For more information, please contact **Anne & Ryan Mallaby – 0455 570 623.**

### SACRIFICIAL GIVING

We invite you to support our Cathedral Parish via our sacrificial giving program. It is a way of helping our parish financially by committing to donate a certain amount of money to the parish on a weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, quarterly and annual basis. If you would like to be part of the program, please fill out a registration form available at the Cathedral cloister. Please check out this web link to register or to know more about our parish sacrificial planned giving program: <https://www.bunburyparish.org/sacrificial-giving>.



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**HEARING AID LOOP** The Cathedral has an active hearing aid loop. You may need to contact your hearing aid supplier to have your hearing aid adjusted to hear through the sound system in the Cathedral. The hearing aid loop operates within the first 8/9 pews and has very good range across the Cathedral. Sit in these pews to get the best reception.



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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 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 Bunbury Hospital Chapel Mass:** 11am every Thursday  
**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 5pm to 5.40pm prior to the 6pm Vigil Mass; or by appointment  
**Baptism, Wedding, Funeral:** By arrangement - please phone the Parish Office

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| MASS HYMNS   | Gathering | Offertory | Communion | Reflection | Mission  |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|
| 6pm Saturday | AOV1 080  | AOV1 185  | AOV1 112  | AOV1 126   | AOV1 092 |
| 8am Sunday   | AOV1 080  | BB 28     | AOV1 028  | BB 342     | BB 159   |
| 10am Sunday  | AOV1 080  | AOV1 185  | AOV1 112  | AOV1 126   | AOV1 092 |
| 6pm Sunday   | BB 449    | BB 5      | CHANT     | BB 176     | BB 194   |
| SJOGH        | AOV1 016  | AOV2 155  | AOV1 164  | AOV1 126   | AOV1 080 |