

Twenty seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

First Reading from the prophet
Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8
(R.) If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

Second Reading from the
second letter of St Paul to
Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for
ever; it is the word given to you,
the Good News. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel according
to Luke 17:5-10

Communion Antiphon

The Lord is good to those who
hope in him, to the soul that seeks
him.

**Next Week: Twenty-eighth
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First: 2 Kings 5:14-17
Resp Ps: Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2
Second: 2 Timothy 2:8-13
Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Holy Gospel according to Luke 17:5-10

If you had faith!

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."

The Gospel of the Lord.



MINISTRY DRIVE

What is your calling?

Have you decided yet where you want to share your gifts in our parish community?

Come and see us after mass where we can answer your questions and help you to fill out the sign-up sheet.

We ask everyone who is recommitting to her/his ministry to fill in a sign up sheet as well. There are spare sheets at the sign up table.

Parish Notices

Friendship Group will come together in the meeting room after Mass on 7th September after the 9am Mass. The theme for October is “Spring”. Come dressed in your favourite spring colours. All are Welcome. Please contact the Parish Office for more information..

Pilgrimage to Penrose Park, Berrima on Sunday 26 October.

Meeting place in the Church at 9 am for commissioning rite. Children must be accompanied parent/s or guardian. All parishioners are welcome to join; Transportation: drive your car or carpool; If you wish to join and are unable to drive call the parish office for more details or Sr Ines: 0468462814

All Souls Day Mass in the Columbarium. This year All Souls day will be on Sunday 2 November. We will celebrate the outdoor mass at 5pm.

Raffle tickets are still available to take home and sell. Please ask the welcomer for a book of tickets or call in at the parish office to collect. Sold tickets can be returned at any time.

Dinner Dance: Disco theme on 8th Nov 2025 from 7pm onwards in the Parish Hall . Featuring The Chillers & DJ Calvin. Tickets Available: Adult \$50; Child \$20; Family of 2 adults & 3 or more children \$150. Booking is Compulsory. For more information contact the Parish Office.

The Bachelor of Education Primary and the Bachelor of Commerce

Professor Sally Egan from the University of Notre Dame has advised that two undergraduate programs have been launched that are available for 2026 and will be based at the Oran Park Study Centre. The Bachelor of Education Primary and the Bachelor of Commerce will commence in 2026 as a 1 + 1 delivery model. This way students can study one day on campus in Broadway and one day at Oran Park, closer to home. For more information contact:

Marriage Enrichment Weekend We are offering an opportunity for you to learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love! Come and join us on 24-26 October 2025 at a Marriage Encounter Weekend in a Covid safe environment at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville. Book online at www.wwme.org.au or contact Christine & Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or nswbookings@wwme.org.au

Caritas Australia – Season of Creation The Season of Creation’s call for Peace with Creation aligns powerfully with the Turn Debt into Hope campaign, as communities burdened by debt are often those facing the worst environmental challenges. This Season of Creation (1 September – 4 October), Caritas Australia is inviting parishioners to stand in solidarity with vulnerable communities in need of sustainable development and ecological renewal by:

- ☐ signing the Turn Debt into Hope petition, either online or by downloading and printing a hard copy – caritas.org.au/debt
- ☐ committing to practical, everyday actions that promote ecological sustainability and care for creation by registering to become a Catholic Earthcare Household - caritas.org.au/catholic-earthcare/



Prayer intentions

For the sick and homebound:

May Whitlock, Pat Cullen, Mary Ponnappalam, Myka Mangos, Kevin Cloran, Karen Browne, Reg Gardner, Sr Heather Burke, Barry Atkins, Carol and Gabriel Gonzales, Amelia Jimenez, Susan Mella, Sean Finnerty, Rose Levoune, Doris Wahhib, John Kajdrys, Pat Stewart, Allan Marquinez, Richard Scolyer, Angela Pavlovic, *May they experience the saving power of the risen Lord amidst their pain and affliction.*

For our recently departed Maurice Laroche-Coralie, John Rogan. Marie Atkins, Anthony Mascarenhas

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Edmund Stanley Gomez
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them.

12 October	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 5pm
Welcomers	Gabriel & Myra	Martin, Violeti & Paul	Maryanne, Jackie & Danni
Altar Servers	Maria, Cassandra, Abigail & Austin	Vu	Stuart & Nathan
Readers	Richard & Tracey	Andy & Caroline	Madonna & Tim
Altar Linen	Maria		
Counters	Margaret & Jeanne	Church Vacuuming	Tess Ve & Effie



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We acknowledge and respect the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand, the elders, past and present and all the Dharawal people. May we too be good stewards of this land.



World Day of Migrants and Refugees: A Jubilee of Welcome, Justice, and Hope

As we celebrate the Jubilee of Migrants from 4-5 October, we also commemorate the 111th World Day of Migrants and Refugees in the Church.

Every year, the World Day of Migrants and Refugees invites us to pause and remember the journeys of countless women, men, and children who leave behind their homes in search of safety, dignity, and opportunity. This year, as we mark the Jubilee of Migrants, the Church calls us not only to remember their struggles but to celebrate their resilience, their gifts, and their profound role in shaping our shared humanity.

The Jubilee of Migrants reminds us that migration is not just a social or political issue – it is a deeply spiritual one. As the document affirms, the Church herself is a pilgrim, a community always on the move, journeying together. People who are migrants embody this truth in a tangible way: they are living witnesses of human vulnerability and hope, carrying with them the possibility of new life, renewal, and communion.

Pope Francis has reminded us in his message for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees that history reveals a clear truth: “the contribution of migrants and refugees has been fundamental to the social and economic growth of our societies. Their work, their youth, their enthusiasm and their willingness to sacrifice enrich the communities that receive them”. Their stories are not marginal – they are central to who we are as a Christian community.

But celebration must go hand in hand with justice. The Jubilee of Migrants is not only a time of gratitude but also of reckoning. People who are migrants continue to face exclusion, exploitation, discrimination and violence. Their voices are too often silenced, their humanity overlooked. To be faithful to the Gospel is to recognise in the face of every migrant the face of Christ – *‘the foreigner who knocks at our door’* – and to respond with solidarity, protection, and love.

This Jubilee calls us to move beyond tolerance into communion. It is not enough to “allow” migrants space. We should embrace their stories, languages and tradition so they can enrich the fabric of our Church and our wider communities. We must remember that ethnic and cultural diversity is not temporary or peripheral – it is structural, integral and holy.

On this *World Day of Migrants and Refugees*, let us commit ourselves anew to a path of justice and peace. May we see people who are migrants not as strangers, but as brothers and sisters who carry within them the promise of a more just and united world. Let us also remember that the *Jubilee of Migrants* is, ultimately, a jubilee of humanity. It is an invitation to recognise that our shared journey is richer, more faithful, and more just when no one is left behind.

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