Twenty-Nineth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C
(Schedule: 20 Oct - 26 OCT 2025)

Today's theme is perseverance — Moses keeping his hands upraised throughout the battle, Paul urging Timothy to stay with the task of preaching and teaching, and the widow appealing to the corrupt judge. To be faithful stewards of God's gifts, we, too, must persevere in the roles to which we are called.

BISHOP BARRON'S 'THE MASS'

THE THIRD INSTALMENT IN BISHOP BARRON'S 'THE MASS' SERIES, IS 'GOD SPEAKS OUR STORY'. THIS IS THE THIRD OF SIX SESSIONS WHICH WILL BE HELD EACH THURSDAY EVENING AT 7PM...COME ALONG AND JOIN US!

THIS WEEK'S SESSION WILL START AT 7.15PM AS FR JOHN HAS FIRST RECONCILIATION WITH THE YR 3 STUDENTS UNTIL 7PM.

'IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD,' WRITES JOHN IN HIS GOSPEL. WE ARE ATTENDING TO A GOD WHO ACTUALLY SPEAKS, WHO ACTIVELY COMMUNICATES. THE CREATION OF THE WORLD HAPPENED ON THE FORCE OF GOD'S WORD. IT WAS SPOKEN INTO BEING-'THOUGHT INTO BEING' AS IT WERE-AND THERE IS AN ETERNAL CALL-AND-RESPONSE EXTANT WITHIN CREATION: GOD IS FOREVER SPEAKING CREATION INTO BEING; CREATION IS FOREVER SPEAKING OF ITS CREATOR. THE PSALMIST WRITES OF MOUNTAINS THAT SHOUT AND RIVERS THAT SING, AND THE HEAVENS THEMSELVES MAKING A PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S GLORY. TAKE A MOMENT.

SOMETIME, TO LISTEN TO THE BIRDS AND THE CRICKETS AND WOODLAND CREATURES AT SUNRISE, AND AGAIN AT SUNSET. AT THE VERY MOMENT SO MANY HUMANS ARE CHANTING PRAISE FOR THE START OF THE DAY, OR ITS ENDING, THESE CREATURES ARE JOINING IN."

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It's remarkable the way Bishop Barron can take intellectually challenging material - history, theology, etymology - and express complexities in such a way as to make them accessible to everybody in his audience. I say this because throughout the film cameras rove among the rapt faces in the pews and it's clear the bishop is getting through. This despite the fact that at no point is any topic "dumbed down."

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

THE ROSARY WILL BE PRAYED EACH WEEKDAY IN OUR CHURCH AT 6PM. COME ALONG AND JOIN IN THIS

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH.

Calling all children who would like to participate in the Nativity Play for the Children's Christmas Mass. There is a paper prepared for you to write down your details and is available in the church foyer or in the parish office.

PODCAST WORTH LISTENING TO!

BISHOP BARRON HAS JUST RELEASED THE FIRST 3 EPISODES OF A SERIES OF 12 PODCASTS FOCUSING ON THE THEOLOGY OF ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN. THE FIRST EPISODE LOOKS AT THE IMPORTANCE OF ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN AND EXPLAINS HIS THEOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE IN HIS OWN DAY AND OURS. HE IS A PIVOTAL PLAYER IN CHURCH HISTORY, BEING COMPARED TO ST THOMAS AQUINAS FOR HIS BRILLIANCE. THE EPISODES ARE WOF509, WOF510 AND WOF 511 GO TO YOUR PODCAST APP OR www.wordonfire.org

This Sunday 19 Oct at 3pm you are invited to join us for procession, rosary and benediction. Supper will be provided.

| DATE | CHURCH | Parish Centre |
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| Mon 20 Oct | 9:00am Mass/ 9:30am Rosary | 7:00pm PA Integrated Prep 10 – Rms 2 & 3 7:00pm SVdP – Rm 1 |
| Tue 21 Oct | 9:00am Mass/ 9:30am Rosary 7:30pm Choir Practice | 4:00pm PREP – All Rms & Hall 7:00pm RCIA – Rm 3 & Kitchen |
| Wed 22 Oct | 9.00am Mass/ 9:30am Rosary 11:30am ARISE Charismatic Prayer Group | 9:30am Craft – Rm 3 & Kitchen 11:00am ARISE - Hall & Kitchen 5:00pm Mothers Prayer – Hall |
| Thu 23 Oct | 9:00am Mass/ 9:30am Rosary | 1:45pm Legion of Mary - Rm 2 7:00pm Meditation – Rm 9 7:00pm Bishop Barron's Talk– Hall 7:00pm PA Integrated Prep 10 - Rms 2 & 3 |
| Fri 24 Oct | 11.15am Rosary 12.00noon Mass | 9:30am Growing Vine – Rm 3 |
| Sat 25 Oct | 9:00am Mass/ 9:30am Rosary/Reconciliation 5:30pm Vigil Mass | 10.30am Men's Group Bible Sharing 11.00am Legion of Mary Fellowship – Hall & Kitchen |
| Sun 26 Oct | 7.30am Mass 9.00am Mass 10.30am Mass 2.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet | 1st Reading Sirach 35: 12 – 14, 16 – 19 2nd Reading 2 Tim 4: 6 – 8, 16 – 18 Gospel Reading Lk 18: 9 – 14 |

MINISTRY TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr John Daly (john.daly@willettoncatholicparish.org.au or 0493 468 190)

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> We welcome into God's family at Sts John & Paul

Remy Rose Landers-Scott

Archdiocese Aboriginal Mass Sunday 19 Oct 2025. Smoking Ceremony at 4.45pm, Mass 5pm. Celebrant Bishop Don Sproxton. NATSICC Theme: Sent Forth in Strength and Hope.

All Mothers Prayers groups and friends, and all women with a mother's heart are warmly invited to the Mothers Prayers Annual Mass on Thursday, 23 Oct at 9am at Sts John & Paul Church, Willetton, followed by morning tea. Do come early to place your prepared discs with your children and grandchildren's names into the basket provided. This basket will be placed at the foot of the altar during Offertory.

For further information or to share your Mothers Prayers group's plans to celebrate Mass at your own parish, please email: Su Goh, Mothers Prayers Coordinator, WA, at perth@mothersprayers.org

SAINTS THIS WEEK

MONDAY: OF THE DAY TUESDAY: OF THE DAY

WEDNESDAY: ST JOHN PAUL II, POPE THURSDAY: ST JOHN CAPISTRANO

FRIDAY: ST ANTHONY CLARET

SATURDAY:

The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist Wed 29 Oct Gather by 6.45pm for 7.00pm start

Join us for an evening of information, reflection, and discussion as Peter Cox leads a 🖳 🗓 talk on The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist in our parish hall. This event invites : believers and seekers alike to explore the profound mystery at the heart of Catholic faith as outline in Vatican II Constitution on the Sacred Litural Cost — Free faith as outline in Vatican II Constitution on the Šacred Liturgy. Cost — Free. 📊 Registration is needed for catering purposes.



<u>A STUDENTS PRAYER</u>

Come, Holy Spirit, Divine Creator, true source of light and fountain of wisdom! Pour forth your brilliance upon my dense intellect, dissipate the darkness which covers me, that of sin and of ignorance. Grant me a penetrating mind to understand, a retentive memory, method and ease in learning, the lucidity to comprehend, and abundant grace in expressing myself. Guide the beginning of my work, direct its progress,

and bring it to successful completion. This I ask through Jesus Christ, true God and true man, living and reigning with You and the Father, forever and ever. Amen.



[St John Paul II]

The St Vincent de Paul Society's needs you

At the end of our lives, we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made or how many great things we have done. We will be judged by I was hungry, and you gave me food to eat. I was naked and you clothed me. I was homeless and you took me in. You are invited to serve people in need in our Willetton Parish by joining the society of St Vincent de Paul. Helping us provide people needing food, clothes, rental assistance, utility assistance and other types of support will be a rewarding experience. Is it time for you to live your religious convictions and give something back for all you have received? You know it makes sense. Please contact Ann Fernandez 0418 901145 to explore our opportunities.

St Vincent de Paul Piety Stall have the following stock...Christmas cards \$5 a pack of 5 cards, God's Word 2026 Daily Reflections for \$22 and Columban Calendars at \$10. The stall is open after every weekend Mass. Cash only.