



Our Lady of the Southern Cross Parish

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First reading

Isaiah 25:6-10

The Lord will prepare a banquet for every nation

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22(23)

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

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)

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)

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)

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

Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

With the help of the One who gives me strength, there is nothing I cannot master.

I know how to be poor, and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready

for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Ephesians 1:17. 18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-10

Invite everyone you can to the wedding

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So, these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.'

Communion Antiphon

Ps 33: 11

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

FOR MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

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

REFLECTION

Isaiah 25:6-10

The Lord of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast. (Isaiah 25:6)

We often hear today's first reading at funerals because it points our attention toward the heavenly banquet, when God will "destroy death forever" and "wipe away the tears from every face" (Isaiah 25:8). We also pray for our deceased loved one who was "nourished at the table of the Savior," as he or she feasted on the Eucharist.

So, if Holy Communion is a feast, that means that we don't have to wait until we die to join in the banquet! We can experience a foretaste at every Mass. Every time we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, our Lord gives himself fully to us. Jesus has destroyed the "veil" that once separated us from him. There is no "web" of sin to hold us bound (Isaiah 25:7). He holds nothing back; he offers us his very life! He pours out forgiveness for the sin that weighs us down, comfort in sadness, strength for our journey, and joy in place of the "reproach" of despair (25:8).

God has prepared an extravagant banquet for us. Now it's up to us to join in the feast. Will we accept his invitation eagerly, or will we give in to indifference, like the guests in today's Gospel? Invited to a wedding banquet by a king, they were distracted by their own affairs and refused to go. They missed out on so much and settled for so little!

Jesus is inviting you to a banquet today—to the greatest banquet in the world. Like the king in today's Gospel, he is prepared to nourish you on the finest of foods—his own Bread of life! What do you need to receive from him? Don't be afraid to ask as you come forward to receive him with humble gratitude, confidence, and expectation. He will give himself to you completely. He may even surprise you by giving you more than you ask. God longs to provide for all peoples—and that includes you!

"Thank you, Lord, for preparing a feast for me today. Jesus, I receive you!"

- from the Word Among Us



PRAYER INTENTIONS

Special Intentions:

- For the intentions of our EMHC, acolytes, commentators, lectors, musicians, mass servers, sacristans, greeters, and collectors;
- For the intentions of our PPC members, Parish Finance Committee members, bookkeeper, and bankers;

- For the intentions of our church and ground cleaners, morning tea manpower and food donors;
- For the intentions of God's Farm & Bove Farm; and for all the residents of Cape Care Dunsborough;
- We also pray for some members of our parish, and our families who are sick - we pray for their speedy recovery.

We Pray for Healing & Speedy Recovery

- Sooi Chay (Kath Lim's mum-in-law; Tze's mum)
- Tony Smurthwaite

We Pray for the Repose of Souls (Death Anniversaries):

- 10/10 – Gerard Gilbertson
- 15/10 – Mike Levien
- 16/10 – Javier Jennings
- 17/10 – Johanna Bowen; Georgina Bruce Smith



ADULT CATECHISM

From our Diocesan Assembly
The Voices of the Diocese

continuation from last week 9th partial

PATHWAY THREE:

Families: Strengthening the partnership between parish, school and family.

Our Priorities:

- Support the school in presenting and explaining the beauty, richness and depths of faith, so students experience 'something more'. Allow them to experience God's unconditional love without that being interpreted as being able to live as they like with no eternal consequences
- Encourage, invite and promote the Mass and Parish events within the school to combat low Mass attendance
- Develop the faith in our schools which is so solid that it continues past their Catholic Ed years
- Catechising the parents of Catholic school families: understanding of the Sacraments
- Combat: only attend Mass when my child is receiving a sacrament
- Support families and young people
- Parish. School family partnerships

[to be continued next week]

LITURGICAL ROSTER

DATE	ACOLYTE	EMHC	GREETER	COMMENTATOR	READER	ALTAR SERVERS	MUSIC
10 th Oct Sat	Haydn C	Rebecca C	TBA	Alicia H	Jenny H	TBA	Fr Archie
11 th Oct Sun	Ronnel C	Loellen C Mary Ann M	Loellen C	Kath L	Robyne DG	Isabelle C Xanthe S	Richard C
17 th Oct Sat	Steve C Haydn C	TBA	TBA	Rebecca C	TBA	TBA	Fr Archie
18 th Oct Sun	Ronnel C	Angela C Joan S	Robyne DG	Carmen McF	Mary Ann M	Isabelle C	Richard C

Mass Schedule

Monday 12 October	2 PM	No Mass Group Meditation
Tuesday 13 October	9 AM	Mass of the Day
Wednesday 14 October	9 AM 9.30 AM	Holy Rosary Mass of the Day
Thursday 15 October	9 AM	Liturgy of the Word
Friday 16 October	9 AM 9.30-10.30	Mass of the Day Adoration/Benediction
Saturday 17 October	9 AM 5 PM 6 PM	Mass of the Day Confession Vigil Mass
Sunday 18 October	9 AM	29 TH Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass

LITURGIES & DEVOTIONS

Rosary: You are invited to come and join in praying the Holy Rosary every Wednesday at 9 AM, just before the 9.30 AM Mass.

First Friday Devotion: We expose the Blessed Sacrament right after the 9 AM Mass; Adoration continues until 12 noon. We end this devotion with the Benediction.

Healing Mass: Mass on the First Tuesday of the month is a healing Mass. You may receive the holy oil at Mass.

Group Meditation: Every Monday at 2 PM.

Group Prayer Session: Every Wednesday after the 9.30 AM Mass.

Second Friday of each Month: Catholic Men's Prayer Fellowship at 9.30 AM.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: One hour of Adoration immediately after the 9 AM Mass on 3rd & 4th Fridays.

WE MIGHT AS WELL KNOW: World Mission Month is celebrated every October by the Catholic Church to promote global solidarity, prayer, and financial support for worldwide missionary work. **Key Historical Milestones:** © **1919 (Shifting Perspectives):** Pope Benedict XV issued the apostolic letter *Maximum Illud*, which redefined modern missionary work by emphasizing selfless spirituality and the training of local clergy rather than colonial association. © **1926 (Establishment):** Pope Pius XI officially proclaimed the first World Mission Day (Sunday) on August 11, 1926, at the request of the Pontifical Missionary Union, designating the penultimate Sunday of October for the universal mission of the Church. © **1927 (First Collection):** The inaugural worldwide World Mission Sunday collection took place on the third Sunday of October 1927. © **Expansion to a Full Month:** Over the decades, the observance expanded from a single Sunday into an entire month-long focus in October, kicking off with the feast day of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux (patroness of the missions) on October 1. **Modern Observances:** The tradition continues globally through the [Pontifical Mission Societies](#), with organizations like [Catholic Mission](#) coordinating local engagement, prayer resources, and community outreach.



OUR LADY OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS PARISH

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OUR PARISH VISION: To be a thriving Catholic community, engaging and welcoming.

OUR PARISH MISSION: Journeying together with God; growing in FAITH, HOPE, and LOVE, through fellowship, outreach and service.

Parish Pastoral Council: Steve Carmody (Chair), Angela Corrigan, Carmen McFaull, Joan Smurthwaite (Secretary)
Amie Meyer, Angela Hegney, Father Archie.

Safeguarding Officer: Angela Corrigan

Sacristans: Robyne de Garis & Rebecca Channing

Parish Finance Committee: Tony Smurthwaite; Jack Robinson; Jim Triglone; Father Archie

Parish Bookkeeper: Kathleen Lim

Parish Priest: Fr. Roberto Archie R. Carampatan

PARISH NOTICES

Parish Formation Program

We started our parish formation program on Ignatian Spirituality last Friday with the movie "Ignacio de Loyola: Soldier, Sinner, Saint. The next program is on 23rd October, Friday, 5-6 pm. Topic: Ignatian Rules of Discernment. Please mark your calendar.

An Evening with our Parish Priest

Father Archie is inviting all parishioners to gather on 13th October, Tuesday, 5 to 5.45 PM at the church. Father Archie will give a presentation on what he has gathered from the 3-day summit in Wollongong on 1-3 October.

October is Rosary Month

We invite all parishioners to pray the Holy Rosary daily throughout October. During his visit to Lourdes on 26 September, Pope Leo called Catholics to pray the Rosary for an end to wars and for peace among peoples in conflict, accompanied by acts of penance, mercy, dialogue, and reconciliation. Together with Pope Leo's intentions, we also pray for the healing and speedy recovery of our parishioners and family members who are unwell.

OLC NOTICES

School starts again for OLC students on Tuesday 13 October. We hope that all our OLC families had a wonderful holiday break, enjoying the stunning sunshine and time spent with family and friends.

Term 4 is always a very busy term, with lots of events to keep us busy.

Please mark your diaries for Friday 16 October, if you are a Grandparent of OLC students. You are invited to come for afternoon tea in the school hall at 1.00pm, followed by classroom visits, finishing off with a special assembly. We look forward to seeing lots of grandparents come along.

On Sunday 25 October, the students from the St Mary MacKillop College choir in Busselton are going to be joining the OLC choir to lead the singing for our Sunday Mass.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

From the Catholic Mission

During October, communities across continents come together to celebrate World Mission Month, our shared calling that transcends borders, languages, and cultures, in a living expression of a Church united in Christ.

This year we mark 100 years of World Mission Sunday, on Sunday 18 October.

Throughout World Mission Month, we gather in a spirit of unity, prayer, and generosity, and reflect on Pope Leo XIV's 2026 theme for World Mission Sunday: 'One in Christ, united in mission'.

This theme invites us to be rooted in unity with Christ and with one another and calls us to walk together as sisters and brothers, bringing hope, compassion, and the Good News to communities near and far.

Catholic Mission invites communities across Australia to join in with open hearts, united in faith and mission, as we journey together towards World Mission Sunday on 18 October 2026. www.catholicmission.org

On International Eucharistic Congress

We are very excited to share that the official dates of Eucharist28, the International Eucharistic Congress 2028, has been announced! This is an exciting step in journey to Eucharistic28! See you in Sydney!



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WEDDINGS PARTIES EVENTS



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CHURCH COLLECTION

3rd-4th Oct 2026

Collection : \$862.40
Direct Deposit : \$100; \$100
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