

Let us remember in our prayers ...

Recently deceased: Sharon Duffield, Berwine Barrett-Lennard, Terry Hanavan, Joan Travers, Ann Widdecombe, Charles Haslehurst

Anniversaries: Anne Daly, Sr Francis Hardbottle RSM, Pat Dallimore, Glen D’Castro, Ivan Gugich, Michael Broderick, Kath O’Brien

Sick: Beula Reddy, Ken Metcalf, Tom Brennan, Yvette Henderson, Sr Deidre Brown CJ, Julia Audino, Alberto Audino, Lachie Glasfurd, Liam Brady, John Audino, Pat Docherty, Abigail Fells, Cate, Anne Hutchins, Veronica Kong, Jason, Helen Hawkes, Paddy Walker, Sr Veronica OSB, Danielle Hewitt

SPAIN’S WORLDCUP RUN FUELLED BY MANAGER’S FAITH **By Fionn Shiner, Europe Correspondent**

With Spain meeting (and ultimately defeating) France in the World Cup semi-final on Tuesday, the man in charge drew on his faith to provide him with strength and inspiration during the clash between these two European footballing giants. Spain manager Luis de la Fuente, who hails from Haro in northern Spain, is open about his Catholic faith and how it inspires him during his country’s bid for a second World Cup.

He recently reaffirmed his faith in an interview with the website *El Resurgir de Madrid*. “Yes I do believe. I am a Catholic,” he stated. “In my experience, I’m happy. I love it, it gives me a lot of strength, it gives me a lot of confidence. It has allowed me to be the person I am today,” he added.

De la Fuente in the same interview also expressed surprise at how his faith was such a talking point.

“I don’t understand why some people, after those public statements I made about my creed and religious beliefs, now approach me in the street to thank me for that testimony,” he said. “Nothing is more valuable than my freedom. I respect everyone who respects me. In other words, I demand respect. I think diversity is great; there has to be everything, all kinds of thoughts, beliefs, ideologies ... But I also want to be included, and we Catholics want to be there,” he went on to say.

Before Spain’s final with England during the European Championship in 2024, which Spain eventually won 2-1, de la Fuente also spoke about his beliefs.

“God gives me security and strength,” he said. When asked where God was during a high-stakes football game he said that “I am free and I can choose what I have to do, and both my experience and my intelligence invite me to believe in God.”

While it is quite ordinary for football players to have a superstitious routine that they follow before every game, for de la Fuente, prayer is enough. “I’m not superstitious at all. I pray every day. I don’t wear a yellow shirt on the day I win. If I pray today and tomorrow, it’s because I’ve been doing it for a long time,” he said.

Given the international scope of the World Cup, de la Fuente is not the only one whose faith has provided solace during the tournament. Croatia – finalists in 2018, semi-finalists in 2022, although they crashed out in the round of 32 this year – is a team full of Catholics. The manager Zlatko Dalić undertook a walking pilgrimage to Medjugorje ahead of this year’s World Cup and in 2023 spoke at the youth festival there. It is not a rare sight to see pictures of the Croatian team at Mass together and Igor Matanović recently said “I think faith is very important to me. When you pray to God, you feel like someone is listening to you, and that gives me strength.”

Brazil’s manager Carlo Ancelotti, who also happens to be one of the most successful managers of all time, is a Catholic, too. “Religion has taught me good things like how to conduct myself in life, how to respect others,” Ancelotti recently told *The Guardian*. “I am Catholic and religion has been very important to me and has taught me to be a good person in the world.”

Lionel Messi, the Argentine superstar who is often considered the best player of all time, is also a baptised Catholic. Although he and his wife didn’t get married in the Catholic Church, his children are all baptised. He described his otherworldly talent as a gift from God. “Obviously he [God] gave me that gift,” Messi said a few years ago in widely quoted remarks, “I have no doubt about that. He chose me and, obviously, I then did everything possible to try to improve myself and achieve success. But without his help, I would not have gotten anywhere.”

If Argentina beat England on Wednesday, (which they did 2-1) and Spain get past France on Tuesday (which they did 2-0), then it will be Messi’s God-given talents that de la Fuente will be most focused on stopping.

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ADULT FAITH OPPORTUNITIES: CENTRE FOR FAITH ENRICHMENT **Newman Siena Centre, 33 Williamstown Road, Doubleview**

- After Life: The Eschaton – Our Living Hope: 10am, Fridays, 24 July – 21 August, Ms Natalie Thomas
- Rediscovering the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, 11am Thursdays, 6-27 August, Rev. Dr Christian Irdi
- From Encounter to Mission: Living the Joy of the Gospel: 10.30am, Thursdays, 3-24 September, Mrs Laura Firth

ONLINE

- This is My Body Given for You: Theology of Eucharist: 7.30pm, Thursdays, 23 July – 13 August, Fr Errol Lobo
- Faith Seeking Understanding: Introduction to Theology: 7.30pm, Wednesdays, 14 October - 18 November, Ms Natalie Thomas

For registration and further information about all courses, visit [cfe.org.au](#), email: cfe@perthcatholic.org.au or phone 9278 0261.

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WEEKLY HYMNS

Lyrics are available on the Parish website by using the QR code (right), or by visiting stjosephssubiaco.org.au/lyrics. Hymn books are also available at Church entrances. Please return them at the conclusion of Mass.

Mass

Sun 9am

Entrance

Gather Us In (119)

Offertory

The Lord is My Shepherd (328)

Communion

One Bread, One Body (272)

The Power of Your Love (330)

Recessional

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (224)



9am & 5pm, Sunday 19 July

ST JOSEPH’S UPCOMING EVENTS			
Young Family Group 30 August	Faith Formation for Little Tots 26 July	Youth Group 21 August	Seniors’ Morning Tea 3 September

IT’S FUN GAME TIME! **9.45am, Sunday 30 August 2026**

Calling all St Joseph’s little kids! Join us for an exciting morning of fun, games, and soccer skills after the 9am Mass. It’s a wonderful opportunity for children to learn, play, make new friends, and enjoy an active morning together. We look forward to seeing you there! Bring a plate to share.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SUBIACO WINTER APPEAL

SVDP Subiaco Conference has launched their **Winter Appeal** for those struggling financially this winter. **Most urgently needed items:**

- **UHT full cream milk**
- **Cereals**
- **Coffee**
- **Pasta sauce**
- **Spreads (jam, vegemite, honey)**
- **Canned tomatoes**
- **Canned vegetables**
- **Tea**
- **Biscuits**
- **Toiletries**

Thank you for your generosity and for supporting those in our community who are doing it tough this winter.

ST CARLO ACUTIS YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT GATHERING **2.30pm to 6pm, Sunday 2 August, St Mary’s Cathedral**

Before social media influencers, there was **St Carlo Acutis** - a teenager who used his passion for technology to share the beauty of the Eucharist with the world. Known as ‘**God’s Influencer**,’ Carlo reminds us holiness isn’t just for the past - it’s for today. Whether you’re searching for purpose, growing in your faith, or simply curious about the first millennial saint, this is an afternoon you won’t want to miss. Catholic Youth Ministry invites you to bring your friends and experience the life and legacy of a young person who proved that ordinary lives can become extraordinary with God. Register at events.humanitix.com/st-carlo-acutis

CATHOLIC SINGLES GAMES NIGHT (20-35yrs) **6.30pm, Saturday 8 August, St Columba’s Parish Centre, South Perth,**

Join us for a fun-filled games night with other Catholic young adults from around Perth! Whether you’re a board games pro or just there to enjoy the company, this is a great opportunity to meet like-minded people and enjoy some friendly competition in a relaxed, low-pressure setting. See you there! For tickets and more information, please visit perthcatholicsingles.eventbrite.com or contact: **E: perthcatholicsingles@gmail.com** **IG / FB: [@perthcatholicsingles](#)** **M: 0421 952 963 (Matt)**

menALIVE reCHARGE **28 to 30 August 2026, New Norcia**

reCHARGE your faith in the company of likeminded men, and enjoy some good old fashioned Benedictine hospitality at New Norcia. Catholic men are invited to gather together to listen, learn and long for fullness of life.

To register, visit app.tickets.org.au/MA/reCHARGE26. For more information contact Kim Metcalf on 0414 537 023.

MASS TIMES <i>(Subject to change - refer to Parish Diary for latest information)</i>	
Tuesday	5.30pm
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	9am
Saturday Reconciliation	4.30pm
Saturday Vigil	5pm
Sunday	9am & 5pm

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	BSB:	086 006
	Account #:	887 970 525
	Reference:	Name

Second Collection EFT Details	
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BSB:	086 006
Account #:	564 990 302
Reference:	Name

PARISH DIARY			
Sunday 19 July		Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	
Monday 20 July		Monday, Week 16 of Ordinary Time <i>Optional: St Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr</i>	
Tuesday 21 July	6pm	Tuesday, Week 16 of Ordinary Time <i>Optional: St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor</i> Upper Room: <i>St Vincent de Paul Meeting</i>	
Wednesday 22 July	9.30am 5.30pm	St Mary Magdalene, Feast Upper Room: <i>Ladies Prayer Group</i> Upper Room: <i>Centering Prayer</i>	
Thursday 23 July	3pm	Thursday, Week 16 of Ordinary Time <i>Optional: St Bridget, Religious</i> Upper Room: <i>Camino Salvado Meeting</i>	
Friday 24 July	2.30pm 3.30pm 5pm	Friday, Week 16 of Ordinary Time <i>Optional: St Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest</i> Requiem Mass: <i>Terry Hanavan</i> Upper Room: <i>Private Function</i> Upper Room: <i>Rite of Christian Initiation for Young People</i>	<i>Monsignor Kevin</i>
Saturday 25 July		St James, Apostle, Feast	

MONSIGNOR KEVIN
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