

Parish of Saint Joseph, Subiaco

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18 October 2026

Let us remember in our prayers ...

Recently deceased: Gregory Lamborn, Paula Brown, Fraser Harding, Kathryn Liddle

Anniversaries: Monica Bob, Monsignor Bryan Long, Nellie Durkin

Sick: Beula Reddy, Ken Metcalf, Tom Brennan, Yvette Henderson, Sr Deidre Brown CJ, Julia Audino, Alberto Audino, Liam Brady, Jason, Frank Audino, Cate, Anne Hutchins, Veronica Kong, Helen Hawkes, Paddy Walker, Danielle Hewitt, Greg Gee, Sue, Sr Veronica OSB, Noreen Willett, Noreen Willcocks, Sr Terri Emslie PBVM, Tan Ngiap Choo, Jim Lilleyman, Robyn, Leo Travers, Br Noel Hickey FMS





ST VINCENT DE PAUL SUBIACO NEEDS YOUR HELP

SVDP Subiaco is in need of food items to assist those struggling financially. Most urgently needed items are:

- UHT full cream milk

- Baked beans

- Coffee

- Canned fruit

- Spreads (jam, vegemite)

- Canned vegetables

- Tuna

- Tea

- Pasta sauce (not pasta)

- Sweet & savoury biscuits

Items can be placed in baskets located in the Church foyer. Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

JOIHORIPUR VILLAGE SCHOOL: A SMALL SCHOOL MAKING A BIG DIFFERENCE

Along with friend and associate, Jon Ellis, a retired schoolteacher from England, we were introduced to the village of Joihoripur, about three hours outside Kolkata. Jon speaks both Bengali and Hindi and has been very helpful, acting as our translator whenever we visit the village school. The people of Joihoripur are the Shobars, an indigenous community whose traditional way of life was once based on hunting and gathering. Over the years, as land was annexed for agriculture and the population of West Bengal continued to grow, the Shobar people were forced to adapt. Today, many work as sharecroppers, farming land in return for a share of the crops they produce. When we first arrived in Joihoripur, we were confronted by a heartbreaking situation. Around 95% of children attending government schools were leaving before completing their education. For many families, education was simply not a priority. Poverty and the struggle to survive left little room for thinking about the future. Sadly, girls were often married off at just 13 or 14 years of age. We knew we could not change the world overnight, but perhaps we could make a difference in one village. And so, our little village school was established. The school acts as a preparatory school, helping children develop the basic skills and confidence they need to continue their education. With the help of local teachers, we provide classes for around fifty children, aged between five and sixteen, with lessons held both morning and afternoon. What has happened since has been nothing short of remarkable. After nineteen years, the school dropout rate has fallen from around 95% to just 5%. Even more encouraging is the change in the lives of young girls. The age at which girls marry has increased from around 13 or 14 to approximately 17 or 18. This means more girls have the opportunity to remain in school, gain an education and begin to imagine a future beyond the limitations that poverty has placed upon their families for generations. Perhaps one of the greatest changes has been in the attitude of the parents themselves. Where education was once seen as a low priority, families can now see the opportunities it offers their children. They have become supportive of our little school because they can see that education gives their sons and daughters a chance to build a better life. And that is what makes this story so special. We are not simply teaching children to read and write. We are helping to change attitudes, open doors and break the cycle of poverty, one child and one family at a time. When we first began, what we were trying to achieve seemed like a mere drop in the ocean. We wondered how much difference one little school could possibly make. But nineteen years later, the results speak for themselves. What began as a drop in the ocean has grown into a tsunami of hope, opportunity and a thirst for education. And perhaps that is the greatest lesson learned: never underestimate what a small act of faith, sustained by commitment, compassion and love, can achieve. Because sometimes, all it takes is one small school to help an entire community begin to see a brighter future

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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	Entrance	Offertory	Communion	Recessional	
9am	O Christ the Great Foundation	Adore Te (8)	Domine, Dominus Noster Soul of My Saviour (308)	Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (280)	
5pm	Sing to the Mountains (305)	All That I Am (15)	Give Thanks (124) The Lord is My Shepherd (328)	Go Make a Difference	

ST JOSEPH'S UPCOMING EVENTS

Faith Formation for Little Tots 25 October	Young Family Group 29 November	Youth Group 15 November	Seniors' Morning Tea 19 November
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MUSIC MINISTRY @ 5PM SUNDAY MASS

The 5pm Sunday Family Mass is looking for new members to join its music ministry. If you would like to be involved either by singing or playing an instrument please email Catherine Hayden catherine@catherinehayden.com for more details.

UTHANA MISSION ANNUAL APPEAL & FUNDRAISER

24 & 25 October

'Friends of Uthana Mission' are again seeking your support to ensure the Uthana Mission programs can continue. As part of the Uthana Mission Annual Appeal we are hoping you will be able to support this worthy cause via our Wine Fundraiser where \$30 from every dozen sold will be donated to Uthana Mission. We have once again partnered with Hay Shed Hill. Orders of more than 12 bottles automatically go in the running for a \$250 gift card to Rustico Restaurant at Hay Shed Hill. Order forms are available in the Church foyer. Wine orders must be submitted by Friday 30 October and collected from the Parish on Saturday 7 November.

PLEASE NOTE: A special collection will be held after all Masses next weekend. Alternatively you may like to make a tax deductible donation via the website at uthanamission.org.

KRISTALLNACHT COMMEMORATION

2.30pm, Sunday 8 November, Carmel Primary School Yokine

The Council of Christians & Jews WA Inc. invites you to the Kristallnacht Commemoration. Speaker is The Hon. Antoinette Kennedy AO former Chief Judge of the District Court of WA. All welcome. RSVP is essential by Sunday 1 November to ccjwa@aol.com.

MASS TIMES (Subject to change - refer to Parish Diary for latest information)	PARISH CONTACT DETAILS
Tuesday	Office
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	Phone
Saturday Reconciliation	Postal
Saturday Vigil	Email
Sunday	Website

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OUR PARISH AND ARCHDIOCESE

DIRECT DEBIT	EFT: PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS	TAP & GO
Direct Debit donations can be arranged through CDF. Please contact the Parish Office for forms and/or more details.	First Collection Account St Joseph's Name: Presbytery Subiaco BSB: 086 006 Account #: 887 970 525 Reference: Name	Second Collection Account St Joseph's Church Name: Subiaco BSB: 086 006 Account #: 564 990 302 Reference: Name
		Tap & Go terminals are located inside the Church between the entrance doors and at the east side door.

PARISH DIARY				MONSIGNOR KEVIN
Sunday 18 October	9.45am 1.30pm	Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time Baptism: Matilda Lucia Betancourt Wedding Rehearsal: Victoria Franchina & Nicholas de Lucia	Monsignor Kevin Fr Errol Lobo	
Monday 19 October		Monday, Week 29 of Ordinary Time Optional: Sts John de Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests, & companions Martyrs; St Paul of the Cross, Priest		
Tuesday 20 October	12pm 6pm	Tuesday, Week 29 of Ordinary Time Wedding Rehearsal: Chloe Alvares & Parth Patel Upper Room: St Vincent de Paul Meeting	Fr Giovanni Raffaele	
Wednesday 21 October	9.30am 5.30pm	Wednesday, Week 29 of Ordinary Time Upper Room: Ladies Prayer Group Upper Room: Centering Prayer		
Thursday 22 October	3pm	Thursday, Week 29 of Ordinary Time Optional: St John Paul II, Pope Upper Room: Camino Salvado Meeting		
Friday 23 October	8.45am 11am 4.30pm	Friday, Week 29 of Ordinary Time Optional: St John of Capistrano, Priest Upper Room: Trinity College Yr12 Cadre Retreat Requiem Mass: Gregory Lamborn Upper Room: Rite of Christian Initiation for Young People	Fr Oscar Aguilera	
Saturday 24 October	11.15am 1pm 3.30pm	Saturday, Week 29 of Ordinary Time Optional: St Anthony Claret, Bishop Baptism: Rozalia Raso Wedding Service: Victoria Franchina & Nicholas de Lucia Upper Room: Sacramental Preparation Class for First Communicants	Fr Errol Lobo Fr Errol Lobo	