LITURGY THIS WEEK

MONDAY 02 NOV – The COMMEMORATION of ALL the FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls' Day)
06:00 AM Holy Mass OLA Chapel (1962 Missal)
07:00 AM Holy Mass
09:00 AM Holy Mass
12:00 NN Holy Mass
TUESDAY 03 NOV - Weekday, Ordinary Time 31
07:00 AM Holy Mass
12:00 NN Holy Mass
WEDNESDAY 04 NOV – St Charles Borromeo, bishop
07:00 AM Holy Mass
09:15 AM Holy Mass at DLS Chapel, O'Connor Cath Col
12:00 NN Holy Mass
05:00 PM Holy Mass at St Albert's College Chapel
THURSDAY 05 NOV – Weekday, Ordinary Time 31
07:00 AM Holy Mass
12:00 NN Holy Mass
FRIDAY 06 NOV – Weekday, Ordinary Time 31
07:00 AM Holy Mass
09:15 AM Holy Mass
10:30 AM Mass at Bupa
05:30 PM Holy Mass
SATURDAY 07 NOV - Weekday, Ordinary Time 31
08:00 AM Holy Mass OLA Chapel (1962 Missal)
09:00 AM Holy Mass
06:00 PM Holy Mass of Sunday
SUNDAY 08 NOV – 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:00 AM Holy Mass of Sunday
10:00 AM Holy Mass of Sunday
11:00 AM Solemn Mass with Choir (Latin Chant)
04:30 PM Solemn Vespers & Benediction
05:30 PM Holy Mass of Sunday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Cathedral)
30 MINUTES BEFORE MASS (for 20 mins) as well as

FRIDAY	04:45 – 05:15 PM
SATURDAY	09:45 – 10:15 AM
	05:00 – 05:45 PM

SUPPORTING OUR PRIESTS & PARISH

1ST COLLECTION (cash or eft only)
(Supports the clergy: food, housekeeping, annual retreat & monthly stipend)
Account Name: St Mary's Presbytery Account
BSB: 082-105 Acc. No: 001023527

2ND COLLECTION (cash, eft or tap & go - credit card)
(supports the Cathedral Parish: insurance, employees' salary, repair & maintenance, office and church requisites, utilities, etc)
Account Name: St Mary's Cathedral Parish
BSB: 082-105 Acc. No: 001006225
(Ref: Planned Giving Number and/or your name)

Thank you for your support!

WEEKLY COLLECTION		
	Actual	**Current Target**
1st Collection	$2,560.00	**$2,114.00**
2nd Collection	$4,570.00	**$5,500.00**

On **Sunday, November 8th** at the **8am Mass,** after due preparation, **Hayden Henderson,** will be admitted to the Roman Catholic Church through the holy sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion. We welcome Hayden to our parish and to the Church and offer joyful prayers of thanksgiving for him and his family.

IN YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Bernard Flood, Jim Maguire, Fr Barry Leech
DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Fr John Alt, Mary Fittler
PERPETUAL INTENTIONS: The Holy Souls in Purgatory, Michael O'Connor, Pam O'Connor, Joyce Heferen, Christine Nugent
SICK: Joseph Hanna, Brian Scott, Anne Bacigalupo, Albert Holmes, Liam English, Colin Ahoy, Kourtney Holzhauser, Aaron Lucas, Robert Loh, Kelemete Hefe, Brian Bible, Craig Elliott, Eric McLeod, Pauline Godschalk, Estela & Nelson Segovia, Joseph Hanna, Kristine Sevilla, James Righetti, Lisa Hallman, Elizabeth Williams, Cristina Arellano, Billy Steller, Ben & Jessie Hanson, Maria Grezl, Wili Suluma, Mary Peter, Carmen & John Gallagher, Bob Watson, Ferg Watson, Raymond Watson, Robert Watson, Maureen Campbell, Ann Haydon, Irene & Leigh Owen, Robyn Keogh, Robert Markeljc, Don Armatage, Molly Burke, Melissa Gamblen, Hannah Whitton, Tom Britt, Danny Jones, Aeron Ryan, Blake Ross, Frederic Kelmeyer, Silvia & Ralph Bowles.

1 NOVEMBER ALL SAINTS					
	6PM	**8AM**	**10AM**	**11AM**	**5:30PM**
Welcomer	T Rice	P Stier	T Rimpici	A Pike	Turley
Reader 1	C Doherty	J Toakley	J Turner	L Quast	J Roff
Reader 2	A May	A Rogers	NBrennan	MVanGend	P Turley
PoF	J Carson	F Miron	M Suluma		R Camilleri
ExMin	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy
8 NOVEMBER, 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME					
	6PM	**8AM**	**10AM**	**11AM**	**5:30PM**
Welcomer	MCarson	J Toakley	T Rimpici	A Pike	Steller
Reader 1	P Boston	N Ramazani	A Dinh	L Quast	J Maher
Reader 2	D Fittler	C Stephen	K Frazier	MVanGend	D Roff
PoF	C Doherty	A Rogers	P Hordern		J Roff
ExMin	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy

Cathedral Parish Child & Vulnerable Adults Protection and Safeguarding Statement
Commitment to Safety
Our parish is dedicated to creating a safe, respectful, and welcoming environment for all, especially children and vulnerable adults.
Zero Tolerance for Abuse
We have a strict zero-tolerance policy for any form of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of children or vulnerable adults.
Compliance with Safeguarding Standards
Our parish follows the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards, Integrity in Our Common Mission, and adheres to the NSW Child Safe Standards to ensure our practices are aligned with best-practice safeguarding principles.
*The **Diocesan Safeguarding Policy** is available on the Diocesan & Parish websites, in the Parish Office and in the Cathedral foyer.*
Parish Safeguarding is a shared responsibility & feedback from both children & adults is welcomed & encouraged. Feedback can be made through Parish email or the Diocesan website
Parish Safeguarding Contact: Ms Tina Clarke (Parish Secretary)

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November - Month of the Poor Souls in Purgatory

ALL SAINTS (A/2) 1ST NOVEMBER 2026

FIRST READING **Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14**

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.

After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.'

One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Psalm 23(24):1-6**

R: Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm. ***R:***

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things. ***R:***

He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob. ***R:***

SECOND READING **1 John 3:1-3**

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.
Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **t11:28**

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL **Matthew 5:1-12a**

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.
Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.
Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.
Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.
Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.
Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.
Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON **Mt 5: 8-10**

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

In the interests of child safety & Parish Safeguarding, please ensure that your children are accompanied when leaving the Cathedral during Mass to go to the toilet or for any other reason.

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD

Bishop Murphy cordially invites parishioners to the Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood of Rev. Deacons Allem Alba & Br Maximilian IC, 11am on Saturday, 12 December 2026, Ss Mary and Joseph's Cathedral, Armidale.
Please rsvp by Friday 13th November, 2026 via the link https://forms.gle/nxbXrbFuTQKKieSL8 or phone the Chancery Office 6771 8700

NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS

The suggested donation for November Mass offerings is now $20. If you would like a Mass offered for a special intention, envelopes are available in the Cathedral foyer and at the Parish Office.

ARMIDALE CATHOLIC MEN'S BREAKFAST

Next gathering Saturday 7th November, 7:00am at "The Mill Bistro", Armidale Ex-Services Club. All are welcome. Contact Nirmal 0430871064

VERSO L'ALTO - FOR YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS

Exploring the heights of our Catholic faith under the patronage of St Pier Giorgio Frassati. Every Monday (except the first Monday of each month) in the **Ursula Room** 7-9pm. Holy Rosary, faith formation, refreshments.
Next gathering Mon 9 November.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our Lady of the Angels Chapel: 8am- 8pm Monday-Friday and overnight Friday from 8pm- Saturday 8am- a total of 72 hours a week. Rostered Adorers are needed to cover all hours. Please contact the Armidale Adoration Team on: armidaleadoration@gmail.com or 0459 089 778.

HOLY FACE DEVOTION

Tuesday at 5:45 pm in the Parish Prayer Room.



FISHERS OF MEN PRAYER GROUP

Meets in the Parish Meeting Room, Mondays 5:30-7:00pm. For enquiries contact Nirmal on 0430871064.

HOME ROSARIES

If you would like to attend or host a home rosary or receive a home visit by the Legion of Mary, please contact Kathy 0417023704 or Barbara 0408235877

FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION

Next gathering 7th November at 9.30am
Marian devotion on the first Saturday of each month immediately after the 9am Mass in the Cathedral.

GUILD OF ST ANNE

Women of the parish caring for the sacred vestments and the cleaning of the altar linen. The Guild meets fortnightly at 12:45 pm in the Parish Centre on Wednesday Any enquiries or questions can be directed to Kathy McCartney 0418 465 996

CHILDREN'S SACRED MUSIC PROGRAM

Children learn Church music and chant through the ages according to the liturgical season. Classes run on Sundays during the school term from 10:30-10-50 am for those ages 5 to 8, and 8 and up. If you are interested or for more information, please contact Perpetua on 0402 741 796

COMMUNION OF SAINTS

- **WE PILGRIMS - EARTH**
- **HOLY SOULS - PURGATORY**
- **ALL SAINTS - HEAVEN**

ARE UNITED IN PRAYER AND CHARITY

HALLOWEEN *ONCE* MEANT THE EVE OF ALL HALLOWS/ ALL SAINTS
All Saints Day is a surprisingly old feast. It arose out of the Christian tradition of celebrating the martyrdom of saints on the anniversary of their deaths.

WHY DO WE PRAY FOR THE DEAD?

- the saints in heaven don't need our prayers and the damned in hell don't want them! To understand this doctrine and practice of the Church, it is necessary to understand that sin has a double consequence. Every sin, even venial, entails an unhealthy attachment to evil that must be cleansed before Heaven. Purgatory purges us so as to perfect us for Heaven.

I BELIEVE IN THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

I believe that I am in communion that is, united with the saints who are the citizens of Heaven and the holy souls in Purgatory. The Church is the Body of Christ. As every real body has three dimensions, so too does the Church. The 3Ds of the Church are: Earth, Purgatory, Heaven. All members of the Church, be they pilgrims on earth, holy souls in Purgatory or saints in Heaven are connected by means of prayer and grace. Those in Purgatory who are being purified need our prayers and Masses to assist them.



The Greatest Lover gave us the greatest act of love.

His Sacrifice of the Cross was not to be forgotten, so He said:
"Do this in remembrance of me!"

It was a command to the Apostles, who in turn would command priests to **do this**...
But what is the **this**?
The 'this' refers to the Holy Mass – the new and everlasting covenant which is the Sacrifice of Jesus Christ. In every Mass it is re-lived in time and space not in a bloody but a sacramental manner so that the efficacy of His holy Oblation may be ever present to us. There is no greater way to assist the living and the dead than by attending Mass and having it offered for the faithful departed. As we have loved them in life - let us not forget them in death!





ALL SOUL'S DAY

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed on 2nd November is an important day in the liturgical calendar.
Priests may offer **three** Masses on All Souls' Day.
The lay faithful may receive Holy Communion at **two** Masses they attend that day.

6:00 am	OLA Chapel (1962 Missal)
7:00 am	Cathedral
9:00 am	Cathedral
12:00 noon	Cathedral

INDULGENCED ACTS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

There are many indulgences, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, that can be obtained during the month of November.
A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful who,
on any and each day from November 1 to 8, devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the departed;
on All Souls' Day devoutly visit a church or an oratory and recite an Our Father and the Creed.
A partial indulgence, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful who,
devoutly visit a cemetery and at least mentally pray for the dead;
devoutly the prayer *Requiem aeternam* (Eternal rest grant unto them...)

NOVEMBER MASSES *Eternal rest grant unto:*

Barbara Ramsden, John Ramsden, Duane Ramsden, Craig Ramsden, Wini Sundborn, Keith Clegg, Jack Clegg, Nana Clegg, Nana Ramsden, Grandad Ramsden, Mike Flanagan, Lynda Flanagan, Patsy Ramsden, Margaret Ramsden, Syd Ramsden, Avis Ramsden, Rudi, Frank Kellehar, Patsy Mountford, Craig Walker, Fr Michael Butler, Fr Lyall, Mike Kichenside, Hertrudes Lacanilao, Lolo Lacanilao, Felicitas Del Castillo, Nicasio Del Castillo, Tito boy Lacanilao, Vic Contemplacion, Pauline Duflou, Peter Duflou, Stephanie Duflou, Brian Schaefer, Agnes Schaefer, Sherley Louise, Vicente Diana Jr, Lebe Diana, Leodegario Alimangohan, Stefania Pasztetnik, Piotr Pasztetnik, Michal Boczar, Karolina Boczar, Marcin Pasztetnik, Anna Pasztetnik, Anna Baczkowicz, Augustyn Baczkowicz, Jan Baczkowicz, Maria Piecuch, Joanna Piecuch, Ludmia Piecuch, Jan Galeczka, Sandra Ryan, Harry Ryan, Betty Streher, Anthony Streher, Thomas Kelly/Lawton, Patricia Marr, Lily May Streher, Olive Tasker, Nicole Del Castillo, deceased members of Lacanilao and Del Castillo family, Ging Cahegas, Mama Diling, Jerrold Lato, Bill and Lola Harding, Michael Francis De Battista, Alessandro Adorni-Braccesi, Peter Joseph, Giovanna Adorni-Braccesi, Zio Adorno, Patricia Briscoe, Brian Walsh, Adriana Doodeman, Gerardus Doodeman, Barbara Tol, Cor Tol, Bob Bower, David Evans, Patricia Bower, Mollie Evans, Pop Evans, Reginald Bower, Chris Bower, Barry Bower, Margaret Mack, deceased members of the Doodeman, Tol and Bower families, Pat and Don Blenkinsopp, Seripina and Oppung Dolly Rajagukguk, Blenkinsopp, O'Brien and Rajagukguk family, Julisar Simbolon, Tulang Rajagukguk, Jay Daryl Solon, Jorge Varunny, Achama Kallukaran, Tony Kallukaran, Joji Kallukaran, Jose Kallukaran, Ron Jumawan, Glen Perpetua, Valentin Jr. Hornijas, Helga Jones, Mary-Anne Jones, Justine Jones, Peter Colquhoun, Gail Colquhoun, Florencia Cunanan, Donencia Pancho, Pacensia Pancho, Pancho family, Jim and Phillip Newell, Richard Smart, Keith and Gene Povey, Betty and Wendy Willis, Kathleen Canavan, John Canavan Sr, Jack Canavan, Lois & Bill Hinton, Daniel Canavan, Kathleen Canavan, Pat Richmond, Bell and Richmond Families

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE!

CENTACARE CHRISTMAS HAMPER FOOD ITEMS

Centacare NENW is collecting non-perishable food items to create Christmas hampers for local families who are experiencing hardship and whom Centacare NENW staff encounter through their work each week. These hampers will provide much-needed grocery support and help bring some extra joy to families at Christmas.
Centacare NENW have asked if parishioners from our parish would like to help with this initiative.
Suggested Hamper Items: Canned foods, pasta, rice & noodles, breakfast cereals & school snacks, Long-life milk, Vegemite, jam, tea & coffee, toiletries & personal care items, cleaning products & toilet paper.
We will have a basket at the Welcomer's Table each Sunday from 1 November to 29 November to collect donations. Centacare NENW staff will collect the donations, make up the hampers and distribute them during Advent.

PALMS TIMOR-LESTE ENCOUNTER 10-23 MAY 2027!

Timor-Leste is Australia's closest neighbour. It is also the nation with which Australia has had a complex chequered history. Yet very few Australians have ever been there.
An Encounter Tour to is not only an unforgettable holiday – it is an opportunity to get 'behind the scenes' insights into history, culture & the importance of relationships in sustainable development.
In a small (max 8 person) group, you will meet Palms international partners and long-term volunteers.
Encounters are the ethical option to learn about development and support Australia's oldest lay Catholic international development organisation.
Book your place on the 14-day Encounter Tour here: palms.org.au/encounters.
Volunteers Needed! Catholic Community Connectors needed to assist with the Palms' Simplicity September campaign. More info here.

Hearty Humour

⇒ What do you say to comfort a friend struggling with English grammar? There, their, they're...
⇒ What did the surgeon say to the patient who insisted on closing their own incision? Suture Self.
⇒ I've started telling everyone about the benefits of eating dried grapes. It's all about raisin awareness.
⇒ I have an addiction to chocolate, marshmallows and nuts. I won't lie; it was a rocky road.