## LITURGY THIS WEEK

**MONDAY 16 NOV – Weekday, Ordinary Time 33**
**07:00 AM** Holy Mass
**12:00 NN** Holy Mass

**TUESDAY 17 NOV - St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious**
**07:00 AM** Holy Mass
**12:00 NN** Holy Mass

**WEDNESDAY 18 NOV – Weekday, Ordinary Time 33**
**RED WEDNESDAY**
**07:00 AM** Holy Mass
**09:15 AM** Holy Mass at DLS Chapel, O'Connor Cath Col
**12:00 NN** Holy Mass

**THURSDAY 19 NOV – Weekday, Ordinary Time 33**
**07:00 AM** Holy Mass
**12:00 NN** Holy Mass

**FRIDAY 20 NOV – Weekday, Ordinary Time 33**
**07:00 AM** Holy Mass
**09:15 AM** Holy Mass
**05:30 PM** Holy Mass

**SATURDAY 21 NOV - The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary**
**08:00 AM** Holy Mass OLA Chapel (1962 Missal)
**09:00 AM** Holy Mass
**06:00 PM** Holy Mass of Sunday

**SUNDAY 22 NOV – CHRIST the KING**
**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**

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| **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 | | |
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| | **Actual** | **Current Target** |
| **1st Collection** | $2,243.00 | **$2,114.00** |
| **2nd Collection** | $8,769.00 | **$5,500.00** |

**IN YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR:**

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Fr Bernard Flood, Maria Brown, Jim Maguire, Fr Barry Leech

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Peter O'Brien, Les Wilkinson, Fr Clem Gailey, Fr John Alt, Betty Tomlin, Faye Watson

**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.

***PLEASE NOTE: Due to privacy legislation, names of the sick/deceased can only be published with permission of the sick person him/herself or the immediate family members of the deceased.***

| 15 NOVEMBER 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | | | | | |
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| | **6PM** | **8AM** | **10AM** | **11AM** | **5:30PM** |
| **Welcomer** | T Rice | P Stier | T Rimpici | A Pike | Turley |
| **Reader 1** | A May | B Mackson | R Menz | L Quast | P Turley |
| **Reader 2** | J Carson | F Miron | NBrennan | MVanGend | R Camilleri |
| **PoF** | P Boston | N Ramazani | M Suluma | | J Maher |
| **22 NOVEMBER, CHRIST THE KING** | | | | | |
| | **6PM** | **8AM** | **10AM** | **11AM** | **5:30PM** |
| **Welcomer** | T Rice | J Toakley | Fam Groups | A Pike | Steller |
| **Reader 1** | C Doherty | C Stephen | Pboston | L Quast | D Roff |
| **Reader 2** | A May | J Toakley | Dfittler | MVanGend | J Roff |
| **PoF** | J Carson | A Rogers | Lfitzgerals | | P Turley |

**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**

***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.***

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**November - Month of the Poor Souls in Purgatory**

**33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A/2) 15 NOVEMBER 2026**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** **Jer 29: 11, 12, 14**

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.
You will call upon me, and I will answer you,
and I will lead back your captives from every place.

**FIRST READING** **Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31**

A perfect wife – who can find her?
She is far beyond the price of pearls.
Her husband's heart has confidence in her,
from her he will derive no little profit.
Advantage and not hurt she brings him
all the days of her life.
She is always busy with wool and with flax,
she does her work with eager hands.
She sets her hands to the distaff,
her fingers grasp the spindle.
She holds out her hand to the poor,
she opens her arms to the needy.
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;
the woman who is wise is the one to praise.
Give her a share in what her hands have worked for,
and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** **Psalm 127(128):1-5**

***R: Happy are those who fear the Lord.***

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. ***R:***

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. ***R:***

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
all the days of your life! ***R:***

**SECOND READING** **1 Thessalonians 5:1-6**

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** **John 15:4. 5**

Alleluia, alleluia!
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** **Matthew 25:14-30**

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of Heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out.

'The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

'Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."

'His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."'

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** **Ps 72: 28**

To be near God is my happiness,
to place my hope in God the Lord.

## 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 Monday 16th November, 2026 via the link https://forms.gle/nxbXrbFuTQKKieSL8 or phone the Chancery Office 6771 8700**



**FAMILY GROUPS RECOMMITMENT MASS**

Sunday 22 November at 10am.

**NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS**

The suggested donation for November Mass offerings is $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 5th December, 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 23RD 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 5th December 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

**SAVE THE DATE**

- **CAROLS IN THE CATHEDRAL**, Thursday 17 December 6:30pm.
- **CHRISTMAS LESSONS & CAROLS**, OLA Chapel, Monday 21 December 7:30pm.

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION REFLECTION

One of the most precious things we can offer someone we love is our time, our presence.

**That is the heart of Eucharistic adoration.**

When we enter a church and spend time before the Blessed Sacrament, we are not simply finding a quiet place to reflect. We are coming into the presence of Jesus Christ, truly present in the Eucharist.

And He invites us to stay a while. Amid the noise, the to-do lists and the worries of daily life, He asks us simply to be with Him.

We might read a passage of Scripture, pray for a loved one, give thanks for a blessing, or speak openly to Jesus about whatever is weighing on our hearts. Sometimes we need no words at all.

As St John Paul II wrote of Eucharistic adoration:

**"It is pleasant to spend time with him."**

Eucharistic adoration is not separate from the Mass, nor a substitute for it. Rather, it deepens our relationship with the One we receive in Holy Communion.

Time spent in His presence helps us carry His love more fully into our families, parishes and communities.

**You don't need perfect words or an extraordinary spiritual experience. Just a willingness to be there, and to open your heart to Him. Consider visiting Him in OLA Chapel 8am-8pm Monday to Thursday or 8am Friday to 8am Saturday.**



## IMMACULATA MISSION SCHOOL
## 1 - 7 January 2027

**What is it?** Start your year afresh with Christ. This will be a chance to receive and grow deeper in your faith and to make good friendships and develop good habits, with times of prayer, fantastic Catholic speakers, share groups, fun activities and lots more.

**Who is it for?** Everyone - people of all ages! The 1-7th Jan is open to adults of all ages and youth 14 years and up. Families with children are welcome and there is a children's ministry program available 1-5 Jan.

*"The Mission School helped me and my children go deeper in our faith ... it was life-changing!"* Louise from Tamworth

*"A deeply moving experience that's inspired a deepening of my faith and love for God like nothing else."* Bryce from Sydney

**What is the theme?** "Am I Not Your Mother?" - grow in friendship with Jesus under the banner of His Mother Mary.

**Where is it?** Presbyterian Ladies College, Armidale, NSW.

**For costs, more information and to register visit www.immaculata.org.au/ims**

Early-bird prices finish 30th November, registrations close 23rd Dec.

## WHY PRAY FOR THE DEAD?

During the month of November, the entire Church prays for the dead, for those who have died in God's grace but remain imperfect and are awaiting heaven.



**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, Rosemary Clarke, Clarke & Jeffery Families,Ken & Dorrie Ferris, Owen Ferris, Paul Johnson, Tony Johnson, Mark Hagan, Julie Hayes, Max Johnson, Bruce Johnson, Margaret Ouvrier, Tom Saladine, Joe O'Brien, Peter & Kathleen O'Brien, Warren Zirkler, Clem O'Brien, Kevin O'Brien, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary & CWL, Deceased priests & bishops of Armidale, For those who have no one to pray for them, Deceased members of St Joseph's Passionist Family Group & extended Family Groups, Fr Peter McGrath, Paul Armatage, Tracie Armatage, Parents, Relatives & In-Laws of Burke, Williams & Armatage Families, James Maguire, Don Hewitt, Fr John Carey, Jack & Eileen Carey, Pat & Dorie Hewitt, Winston Hewitt, Trinette Roser Alex Faint, Terry Faint, Tony Faint, Mary Faint, Margaret Faint, George Keoghan, Family & Friends of Ron Bower, Bill Carlon, Myra Carlon, Nole Thibault, Joyce Thibault, Warren Thibault, George Ordell, James Giffien, Bourke, Carlon, Thibault & Black Families, Gallagher, Morris, Burke Families, John McMillan, Wendy Nano, Maria Brown, Maree & Donald King, Vernon Turner, Jean Emile Domain, Myriam Louise Domain, acques Domain, Doreen Tonkin, Arthur Tonkin, John Tonkin, Ellen Janet Tonkin, Marie McCoy, Mary Wilkie, Hillard, Ewan, Cook & Kelly Families*

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE!**




**FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS AROUND THE WORLD**




**RED WEDNESDAY | 18 November 2026**

The Vatican's Commission for New Martyrs and Witnesses of the Faith has now recorded the deaths of more than 1700 Christians in the twenty-first century who died because of the Gospel. These include Catholics and Christians of other denominations.

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia and New Zealand: ACN is a Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. During this Red November we are inviting our parishioners to join us on Wednesday 18 November. All Masses on this day will be offered for Red November, to pray, support and act in solidarity with persecuted and suffering Christians around world. Visit www.rednovember.org or use the QR code to learn more.

**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.