

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ST AMBROSE WOODEND, ST AMBROSE RIDDELLS CREEK, ST BRIGID'S GISBORNE, ST MARY'S LANCEFIELD & ROMSEY & ST PATRICK'S MACEDON

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

12th October, 2025



ST AMBROSE 18 Templeton Street
Woodend



ST AMBROSE 10 Sutherland Street
Riddells Creek



ST BRIGID'S 66 Aitken Street
Gisborne



ST MARY'S (Our Lady of Lourdes)
27 Chauncey St Lancefield



ST MARY'S (Immaculate Conception)
85 Main St Romsey



ST PATRICK'S Victoria Street
Macedon

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday - 5pm Woodend, 6pm Gisborne, 6.30pm Lancefield

Sunday - 8am Riddells Creek, 9am 1st & 3rd Romsey, 2nd, 4th & 5th Lancefield, 9.30am Macedon, 11am Woodend & Gisborne

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday - 5pm Gisborne, 6pm Woodend followed by the Rosary

Wednesday - 9.15am Gisborne, 9.30am Woodend; **Thursday** - 9.15am Gisborne, 9.30am Romsey

Friday - 9.15am Gisborne, 9.30am Lancefield, **Healing Mass Romsey**: 1st Saturday of the month 10.30am

Reconciliation

Woodend: 2nd Saturday of the month 10am-10.30am, Gisborne 3rd Saturday of the month 10am- 10.30,

Lancefield: 4th Saturday of the month 10am-10.30am

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The Living Word

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First Reading 2 Kgs 5:14-17

Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation. (R.)
2. The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel. (R.)
3. All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord all the earth,
ring out your joy. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Tm 2:8-13

If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.

If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.

If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful,

for he cannot disown his own self.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Thes 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,

because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 17:11-19

It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Like the other nine lepers, the Samaritan was cured of his skin disease. Unlike the other nine, he thanked Jesus and expressed faith in Jesus as the agent of his divine healing. Only to him did Jesus say: 'Your faith has brought you salvation.'

So, 'salvation' is evidently more than physical cure. Every aspect of this man's personality, bodily, socially, relationship with God, was made whole. Being brought to this 'holistic' situation we call 'salvation'.

This Gospel assures us that there is nothing which makes me 'taboo' to Jesus. Jesus is only too willing to reach out to that part of me which is dis-eased, ill-at-ease with myself, other people, creation, or God. Having faith in Him allows the full force of His love to heal me, to take effect.

We could pause for a moment to pray that we might join the Samaritan walking along the road to final salvation, praising God.

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EVERYONE WELCOME

Ministry	11/10/25 6:30pm	12/10/25 9am	18/10/25 6:30pm	19/10/25 9am	25/10/25 6:30pm
Musician	Rosalie	-----	Rosalie	Christine	Rosalie
Reader	Joan	Rosemary D	Tony	Betty	Leanne
Collector	Vol req	Ged	Vol req	Tim	Vol req
Spec Min	Julie	Eileen	Julie	Marie	Julie
Set up	Rosalie/Julie	Eileen	Rosalie/Julie	Marie	Rosalie/Julie
Cleaner	-----	Eva	-----	Anthea	-----
Location	LF	LF	LF	Rom	LF

Could those listed on the roster please advise if you are unavailable.

CONTINUING PRAYER LIST:

Please pray for the following who are in continuing need of our prayers:
Christine Cheney & Brendan Coburn.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL – RESPONSE: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

R: We pray for ourselves and the special needs of all in our parish community. We pray for those who are sick, those on our parish prayer list – the frail, and for all who care for them. For the faithful departed: for those who have died recently, especially **Dayna Russell** and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially **Msr Bryan Long & Lynne Connors.**

We pray to the Lord

Lord, hear our prayer.

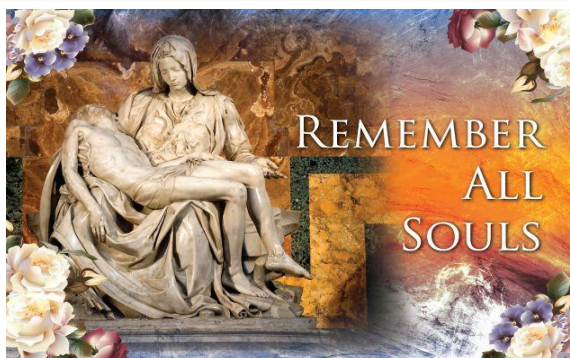
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CELEBRANT LET US BRING OUR PRAYERS TOGETHER BY SAYING THE JUBILEE PRAYER.
All JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the **faith** you have given us in your son,
Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of **charity** enkindled in our hearts
by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed **hope** for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure
expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, **Pilgrims of Hope**,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. **Amen.**

Collections last week Presbytery \$353 Thanksgiving \$625
1st collection: Presbytery & Priest 2nd collection: Thanksgiving (envelope)

Next week's readings: Exodus 17:8-13; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2; Luke 18:1-8



To celebrate the month of
November as a time we remember
our family and friends who have
gone before us we will celebrate a
prayer service in each of our
cemeteries.

We will gather together for a prayer
service and then invite those in
attendance to visit the graves of
their family and friends.

Dates and times are as follows:

Sunday 9th October: 2.30pm Woodend - 3.45pm Lancefield.

Sunday 16th October: 2.30pm Gisborne & Riddells Creek -
and 3.45pm Macedon.

All are invited.

CHILD PROTECTION
is **everyone's** responsibility

**Safety of Children and
All Vulnerable People**

The St. Mary's Safeguarding
Children and Young People
Policy is on display on the
church noticeboards or via the
parish office.

*All children leaving the church
during Mass must be
accompanied by a parent.*

Child Safety Committee

Fr. John Healy
Tammie Dalglish
Michael Mooney

Baptism

As arranged with the Parish
Secretary on the 1st Sunday
of the month

Marriages

Arranged by appointment with
at least 6 months' notice.
Please contact parish office.

Funerals

Contact Fr. John directly.

Thanksgiving

Any parishioner wishing to join
the Thanksgiving program is
invited to contact Tammie at the
parish office to arrange some
Thanksgiving envelopes.
Thanksgiving contributions by
Direct Debit or Credit Card
welcome.

Welcome

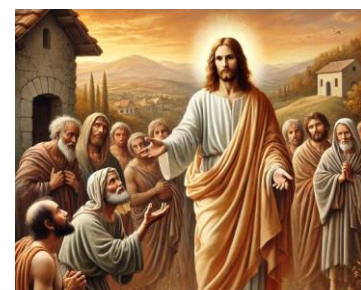
St. Mary's Parish community
warmly welcomes visitors and
new parishioners. We invite new
parishioners to introduce
yourself to Fr. John, fill in a
census card located in the church
foyer and place in either
collection or contact Tammie
directly at the parish office.

Volunteering Ministries

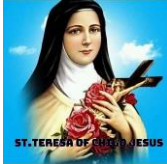
A current Working with Children
Check is required to volunteer
within the parish.

Help is always welcome!

Power Point operator at Mass
Reader of the Word
Church Cleaning & Gardening

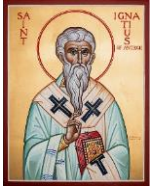


Feast Days this week



Wednesday 15th October: St Teresa of the Child Jesus

St. Therese had a simple yet powerful message that still resonates in the hearts of millions today. She died at the age of 24, believing that her life was really just beginning for God, promising to spend her heaven doing good on earth. Her promised "Shower of Roses" began and has become a torrent in the Church ever since.



Friday 17th October: St Ignatius of Antioch

Ignatius' great concern was for the unity and order of the Church. Even greater was his willingness to suffer martyrdom rather than deny Christ. He did not draw attention to his own suffering, but to the love of God which strengthened him. He knew the price of commitment and would not deny Christ, even to save his own life.



Saturday 18th October Feast of St Luke

Luke wrote as a Gentile for Gentile Christians. His Gospel and Acts of the Apostles reveal his expertise in classic Greek style as well as his knowledge of Jewish sources. There is a warmth to Luke's writing that sets it apart from that of the other synoptic Gospels, and yet it beautifully complements those works. The treasure of the Scriptures is a true gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church.

Entrance Hymn

*All the earth proclaim the Lord,
Sing your praise to God.*

1. Serve you the Lord, heart filled with glad-ness.
Come into His Presence singing for joy. R
2. Know that the Lord is our creator.
Yes, he is our Father; we are His own. R
3. We are the sheep of His green pasture.
For we are His people; He is our God. R
4. Enter His gates bringing thanksgiving,
O enter His courts while singing His praise. R

Recessional Hymn

Sing a new song unto the Lord
Let your song be sung from mountains high
Sing a new song unto the Lord - Singing 'alleluia
Yahweh's people dance for joy,
O' come before the Lord.
And play for Him on glad tambourines and let your trumpet sound.
Sing a new song unto the Lord, Let your song be sung from mountains high
Sing a new song unto the Lord - Singing 'alleluia
Rise, o' children, from your sleep, your Savior now has come
He has turned your sorrow to joy and filled your soul with song.
Sing a new song unto the Lord, Let your song be sung from mountains high
Sing a new song unto the Lord - Singing 'alleluia

Communion Hymn

We remember how you loved us to your death, and still we celebrate, for you are with us here; And we believe that we will see you when you come, in your glory, Lord, we remember, we celebrate, we believe.
Here, a million wounded souls are yearning just to touch you and be healed; Gather all your people, and hold them to your heart.
We remember how you loved us to your death, and still we celebrate, for you are with us here; And we believe that we will see you when you come, in your glory, Lord, we remember, we celebrate, we believe.
Now we recreate your love we bring the bread and wine to share a meal; Sign of grace and mercy, the presence of the Lord.
We remember how you loved us to your death, and still we celebrate, for you are with us here; And we believe that we will see you when you come, in your glory, Lord, we remember, we celebrate, we believe.

PRIEST & PRESBYTERY BY DIRECT DEBIT

Anyone not already contributing to the Priest & Presbytery expenses who would like to contribute may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

St. Mary's Presbytery Account NAB

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 64151 8467

Please use your surname as the reference.

THANKSGIVING BY DIRECT DEBIT

Anyone not already on the Thanksgiving Program who would like to contribute to the Church may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

St. Mary's Church Account NAB

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 64150 3257

Please use your surname and TG number as the reference.



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