

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH, KILMORE

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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

5 October 2025

October: A Month with Mary and the Rosary

The month of October holds a special place in the Church's tradition as the **Month of the Holy Rosary**. This prayer, so simple and yet so profound, is a contemplative path that leads us to the heart of the Gospel. Through the eyes of Mary, we are invited to gaze upon the face of Christ and to meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation.

The historical roots of this devotion trace back to a decisive moment in European history. In 1571, as Christian forces faced the threat of the Ottoman Empire at the Battle of Lepanto, **Pope St. Pius V** called on the faithful to pray the Rosary. Against all odds, victory was won on October 7—a triumph attributed to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In gratitude, the Pope established the Feast of Our Lady of Victory, later renamed the **Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary**.

Building on this tradition, **Pope Leo XIII**, often called the “**Pope of the Rosary**,” promoted the daily recitation of the Rosary and formally dedicated the month of October to this prayer. He saw in it a powerful spiritual remedy for the struggles of his time—and ours as well. In the Rosary, we find strength for the spiritual battle, peace for anxious hearts, and unity for divided families and communities.

The Rosary is deeply Christ-centred. As we meditate on the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and Luminous Mysteries, we are drawn into the life of Jesus—from His Incarnation to His Passion, from His Resurrection to the gift of the Holy Eucharist. It is a prayer that does not remove us from the world, but teaches us to see the world with the eyes of faith and love.

As **Pope Benedict XVI** beautifully said, the Rosary is “*a prayer of great meaning, destined to bring forth a harvest of holiness.*” And in the words of **St. Padre Pio**, a saint of deep Marian devotion: “*The Rosary is the weapon for these times.*” In a world marked by uncertainty, conflict, and spiritual confusion, this humble string of beads becomes a lifeline of grace, a powerful means of intercession, and a shield of protection.

This October, let us renew our commitment to the Rosary. Whether prayed alone, with our families, or in our parish communities, it brings peace to the soul and strength to the heart. Especially, **from this Sunday, we will recite Rosary together before each Mass (Our Lady of the Way Church: Rosary at 8.20 am / St. Patrick's Church: Rosary at 10.20 am), and all are welcome to join.**

Dear parishioners, let us turn to Mary, our Mother and Queen, and allow her to lead us ever closer to Jesus. Through her, we learn to ponder the mysteries of God, to trust more deeply, and to love more fully.

May Our Lady of the Rosary intercede for us and for the whole world, that we may grow in faith, persevere in hope, and live in the love of Christ her Son.

Rev. Fr Andrew Choi

CHURCHES

ST. PATRICK'S
37 Sutherland St, Kilmore

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
Cnr The Parade & McKenzie St, Broadford

OUR LADY OF THE WAY
30 Alcantara Blvd, Wallan East

ST. MICHAEL'S
33-35 Wandong Ave, Wandong

SUNDAY MASSES

Sat (Vigil)	5 pm, Broadford 6.30 pm, Kilmore
Sun	8.45 am, Wallan 10.45 am, Kilmore

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue, Thu-Sat	9 am, Kilmore
Wed	9 am, Wallan

CONFESSION

30 minutes prior to each Mass
& during Adoration (Thu)

DEVOTIONS

Adoration & Benediction
Thu 9.30 am, Kilmore

Divine Mercy Chaplet
15 minutes prior to each weekday Mass, Kilmore

Rosary
after each weekday Mass, and
Sunday 8.20 am (Wallan)
10.20 am (Kilmore)

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SUNDAY READINGS FOR TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON | cf. Est 4: 17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;
you are the Lord of all.

FIRST READING | Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4

How long, O Lord, am I to cry for help
while you will not listen;
to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear
and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me,
why do you look on where there is tyranny?
Outrage and violence, this is all I see,
all is contention, and discord flourishes.
Then the Lord answered and said,
'Write the vision down,
inscribe it on tablets
to be easily read,
since this vision is for its own time only:
eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive;
if it comes slowly, wait,
for come it will, without fail.
See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights,
but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM | Psalm 94(95):1-2,6-9

R: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. **(R)**

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us:
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. **(R)**

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **(R)**

SECOND READING | 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God. Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | 1 Pet 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL | Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you. "Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON | Lam 3: 25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,
to the soul that seeks him.

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS (28th Sunday, 12 Oct)

First Reading	2 Kings 5:14-17
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 97(98):1-4
Second Reading	2 Timothy 2:8-13
Gospel	Luke 17:11-19

PRAYING THE ROSARY BEFORE SUNDAY MASS

Praying the Rosary is a powerful way to reflect on the life of Christ through the eyes of Mary, deepening our faith and drawing us closer to God. It brings peace to the heart, strengthens spiritual focus, and unites us in prayer as a community. Starting this Sunday (5 Oct), we will pray the **Rosary together before each Sunday Mass (Wallan at 8.20 am & Kilmore at 10.20 am)**. All are warmly invited to join us in this time of prayer and reflection.

VOLUNTEERS ROSTER

THIS WEEKEND 4 & 5 OCTOBER		NEXT WEEKEND 11 & 12 OCTOBER	
Broadford (Sat, 5 pm)	Reader: D. Mercovich EMHC: A. Donovan	Broadford (Sat, 5 pm)	Reader: B. O'Dwyer EMHC: C. O'Dwyer
Kilmore (Sat, 6.30 pm)	Reader: M. Fleischmann EMHC: M. Chatfield PowerPoint: P. Duff	Kilmore (Sat, 6.30 pm)	Reader: R Emmanuel EMHC: C. Clancy PowerPoint: P. Duff
Wallan (Sun, 8.45 am)	Reader: T. Sullivan EMHC: G. Pannuzzo & M. McGowan PowerPoint: F. Thompson	Wallan (Sun, 8.45 am)	Reader: R. Quinn EMHC: P. Hutchinson & S. Buckley PowerPoint: F. Thompson
Kilmore (Sun, 10.45 am)	Reader: S. Ramganathan EMHC: C. Dodd PowerPoint: K. Curry	Kilmore (Sun, 10.45 am)	Reader: TBA EMHC: K. Archer PowerPoint: K. Curry
FLOWERS: P. Duff HOME COMMUNION: TBA CLEANERS KILMORE: TBA		FLOWERS: C. Eid HOME COMMUNION: H. Clancy & P. Duff CLEANERS KILMORE: TBA	

LET US PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Recently Deceased Claire Elizabeth Jameson, Rev. Fr Francis (Ted) Burns PE RFD	The Sick Fr Prakash Cutinha, Fr Martino Jung, Pina D'Agostino, Theo Aitchison, Susan Foster, Bernadette McWhinney, Nancy Purpera, Eva Aschberger, Julie Ahearn, Sr Claire Skehan RSM, Andrew Sweet, Isaac Filgate, Maureen Murphy and all people who are in need of our prayers. <i>PLEASE NOTE: Names in the sick list will remain there for 4 weeks. If you wish for that person to continue to be prayed for, please advise the parish office again. If you are submitting the name of someone other than yourself and family, please obtain their permission.</i>	Seminarian Ben Eid
Anniversaries Youn-Hoo Sim, Angeline Caldwell, Francisca Ferraresi, Richard Breen, Sr. Bernadette Ryan, Jessie Anderson, Jean Ryan, Peter O'Callaghan, Craig Gratton, Ellen Johanna Stute, Kathleen Caulfield, Norah (Ahearn) Vatovec, Brian Joseph Sullivan, Charlie Tuohey, Gwen Sullivan, Lewis Felice, Frank Scully and all anniversaries which occur at this time.		Diaconate Ordination Candidates Dominic Lawes (24 Oct) Rhys Lowther (1 Nov)
LET US PRAY FOR VOCATIONS EVERY DAY!!		

REMINDER: IMPORTANT NOTICE—TWO COLLECTIONS AT SUNDAY MASSES

COMMENCING THE FIRST WEEKEND OF OCTOBER – SATURDAY 4 AND SUNDAY 5 OCTOBER

Please note that beginning the first weekend of October, there will be two collections at every Sunday Mass, including the Saturday Vigil Mass.

- First Collection (Presbytery Support)**
This collection will be taken after the Homily and contributes to the support of the priests in our parish, the Archbishop, as well as the sick and retired clergy across the Archdiocese.
- Second Collection (Church Support)**
Taken at the usual offertory time, this collection assists in covering the maintenance and operational expenses of our parish buildings and supports the programs and ministries within our church community.

For those who prefer to contribute via direct bank transfer, the parish account details and donation QR code can be found on the front page of the parish bulletin.

If you would like to arrange regular direct transfers for one or both collections, or if you wish to update your current giving arrangements, please contact the parish office on Monday or Friday to speak with Lorraine Nagle, our parish bookkeeper.

Thank you sincerely for your continued generosity and support of our parish!

WORD OF A SAINT

St. John XXIII, Pope (Feast: 11 October)

"My God, I offer You my sufferings, together with all that troubles me. May these become the humble prayer I raise to You—silent, trusting, and full of love."

DID YOU KNOW?

"Four Marks of the Church in the Nicene Creed"

When we recite the Nicene Creed, we profess that the Church is **"One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic."** These Four Marks express the profound identity of the Church founded by Christ Himself.

The Church is **One**, united in faith, hope, and charity under the guidance of the successor of Peter, the Pope. Despite human weakness, this unity is a gift from the Holy Spirit.

She is **Holy**, not because of the perfection of her members, but because Christ, who is holy, is her head and sanctifier. The Church calls each of us to holiness through the sacraments and the Word of God.

The Church is **Catholic**, meaning universal. She is sent to all nations and peoples, carrying the fullness of truth and grace necessary for salvation.

Finally, she is **Apostolic**, rooted in the mission of the apostles. The faith is handed down through an unbroken line of bishops who continue their mission in every age.

These marks remind us that the Church is both visible and spiritual—a living sign of God's presence in the world.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Mr Michael Bourne
03 5782 1579 | spkilmore.catholic.edu.au

OUR LADY OF THE WAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Mr Terry Cooney
03 8609 1784 | ourladywallan.catholic.edu.au

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE

Principal: Mr Paul Finneran
03 5783 5000 | assumption.vic.edu.au

REV. FR JOSHUA McDERMID VISITING NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend (11 and 12 October), Rev. Fr Josh will visit our parish to celebrate all weekend Masses. Following each Mass, Fr Josh will offer a special blessing as a newly ordained priest.

Let us warmly welcome Fr Josh and join in prayerful support as he begins his priestly ministry.

MASS CANCELLATION

The following weekday Mass is cancelled:

9 am Mass | Friday 10th October

ANOINTING OF THE SICK WITHIN MASS

The Anointing of the Sick is a beautiful Sacrament of the Church, through which Christ offers his healing grace, strength and peace to those who are facing serious illness, advanced age, or major surgery. It is a moment of deep comfort and spiritual renewal, reminding us that we are never alone in our suffering.

We warmly invite all who are in need of this Sacrament to join us on:

Thursday, 9 October, during the 9 am Mass at St. Patrick's Church

If you or someone you love would benefit from receiving the Anointing of the Sick, please come and be embraced by the healing love of Christ.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING

The St. Patrick's Catholic Young Adults Group will meet on **Saturday, 11 October**. The evening begins with Mass at 6.30 pm, followed by social time and a faith discussion in the Parish Office meeting room.

A light supper will be served at 7.30 pm for those attending. To assist with catering, please email your RSVP with the title line:

"RSVP—St. Patrick's Catholic Young Adults Group"

to Andrew.Choi@cam.org.au

All young adults aged 18-35 are warmly invited. Come for faith, fellowship, and good conversation!

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN: SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST (FIRST HOLY COMMUNION)

This program prepares children to receive the Body of Christ in the Eucharist for the first time. Along with the basic teachings of the Eucharist, children will learn about the significance of Mass, how to approach the altar, and the grace that flows from the Sacrament.

- **Baptised children who have already received First Reconciliation**
- **8 Fridays, from 10 October, 4 – 5 pm**
- **First Communion: Sunday 7 December at 10.45 am Mass at St. Patrick's Catholic Church**

To register, please contact the Parish Office by Wednesday, 8 October.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (VINNIES) WINTER APPEAL

Donation for St. Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal was \$1424.65.

Thank you for your generous support.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life is a global pro-life campaign that seeks to end abortion through prayer, fasting and peaceful vigils outside abortion facilities. **Melbourne campaign will conclude on 2 November.** Your prayers and sacrifices can help change hearts, save lives, and bring healing.

To find out more, please visit www.40daysforlife.com/melbourne