



**LUMEN CHRISTI**  
CATHOLIC PARISH



# SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF SALVATION

13 JULY 2025

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY, C

## MASS TIME TABLE

### ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL, WOLLONGONG

Monday	Mass: 7am
Tuesday	Mass: 7am
Wednesday	Mass: 7am
	Confessions: 11:30am
	Mass: 12.10pm
Thursday	Mass: 7am
Friday	Mass: 7am
	Adoration: 11:30am
	Confessions: 11:30am
	Mass: 12.10pm
Saturday	Confessions: 11am—12pm
Sunday	Mass: 7am, 10.30am & 5pm

### ST JOHN VIANNEY CO-CATHEDRAL, FAIRY MEADOW

Tuesday	Mass: 9.30am
Thursday	Mass: 9.30am (Italian)
Sunday	Mass: 8.30am, 10am (Italian), 4.30pm (Vietnamese)

### MATER DOLOROSA, BALGOWNIE

Sunday	Mass: 10am
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### ST BRIGID'S CHURCH, GWYNNEVILLE

Thursday	Mass: 9.30am
Saturday	Vigil Mass: 5.30pm
Sunday	Mass: 9am



SUPPORT OUR PARISH



### PARISH CENTRE

#### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday 8.30am — 2.00pm  
(Closed for Lunch 12pm—12.30pm)  
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*"In a world where millions suffer in silence, our mission is to be a voice of mercy"*

**Pope Leo XIV**



### MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE...

Fr David Catterall, Fr Davidanthony Davies, Lisa Galea, Max McAlary, Philomena Carvalho, Peter Nguyen Ba Loc.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS...

Angela Mosley, Frank Gray, Noel Meddows, Judith James, Dianne Hukins, Matthew Johnson, Pat Carr, John Gauci, Joseph Scalia.



*Our Sacraments & Helpful Links*

SCAN TO VISIT OUR WEB PORTAL



### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We show our respect and acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Dharawal Country, Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.



**WE ARE CALLED  
TO REVEAL THE  
LIGHT OF CHRIST  
TO THE WORLD.**



# WELCOME TO LUMEN CHRISTI PARISH

## PARISH CALENDAR: JUN 2025

- Wed, 16 Jul: Baptism Class, SFX 7pm
- Sun, 20 Jul: CatholicCare Sunday
- Mon, 21 Jul: Term 3 resumes
- Thu, 24 Jul: Catechists Meeting, Rigney Room, 11am
- Fri, 25 Jul: Bishop's Visitation
- Fri, 25 Jul: Jubilee Dinner, The Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow 6pm
- Sat, 26 Jul: Bishop's Visitation
- Sun, 27 Jul: World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
- Sun, 27 Jul: Bishop's Visitation
- Sun, 03 Aug: Bishop's Visitation

## CATHOLICCARE SUNDAY 20 JULY

Next Sunday, 20th July, we will welcome representatives from CatholicCare to our parish. Their visit supports one of the vital social and pastoral works of our Diocese.



CatholicCare is the social service and pastoral ministry of our Diocese. As bearers of Christ's love, they providing professional and compassionate community services that support individuals, families, and communities throughout all stages of life.

- ✓ ***Their mission is grounded in:***
- ✓ ***Helping people harness their strengths***
- ✓ ***Enabling thriving relationships***
- ✓ ***Supporting all to build hope-filled futures***



CatholicCare offers support with a spirit of welcome and love. At the heart of all their services is a deep respect for human dignity—ensuring that every person feels valued, safe, and supported.

We thank CatholicCare for their ongoing presence and commitment to serving those most in need within our communities.

Thank you to our parish pastoral council for organising this annual event in for our parish.

Need Support? CatholicCare is Here to Help

If you or someone you know requires support, please don't hesitate to talk with a CatholicCare team member.

Email: [enquiries@catholiccare.dow.org.au](mailto:enquiries@catholiccare.dow.org.au)

Phone: **(02) 4227 1122**



### PARISH STAFF

**Most Reverend Brian G Mascord,**  
Diocesan Bishop & Parish Priest  
**Very Reverend Bernard L Gordon,**  
Vicar General & Administrator  
**Reverend Cang Tran,**  
Assistant Priest  
**Kevin Galea,**  
General Manager  
**Leanne Burlin,**  
Parish Secretary  
**Patricia Di Leva,**  
Administration Assistant

### WOLLONGONG HOSPITAL

Emergency Calls: 0475 815 506

### PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCILS

**Lisa de Paiva,**  
Chair of the Pastoral Council  
**Vicky Davidson,**  
Chair of the Finance Council

### PARISH SCHOOLS

**Kathy Uroda,**  
Principal, St Brigid's Gwynneville  
**Pauline Chrostowski,**  
Principal, Good Samaritan  
Fairy Meadow

### PARISH EFT BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

**CHURCH ACCOUNT:  
DONATIONS & PLANNED GIVING**  
 BSB: 066 711 Account: 008056  
 Account Name:  
Lumen Christi Parish

**PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT:  
FOR THE CLERGY**  
 BSB: 066 711 Account: 002286  
 Account Name:  
Lumen Christi Parish Presbytery

### COLUMBARIUM SALES

[lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium](http://lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium)

# NEWS IN BRIEF

## FIRST RECONCILIATION & EUCHARIST SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2025

The Lumen Christi Parish Sacramental team invites all parents and children to participate in the 2025 Reconciliation and Eucharist Sacramental Program.

The Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist are sacred milestones in the life of baptised children, drawing them more deeply into the Catholic faith and life of our parish community. Enrolments are now open and will close on **Friday, 31 August 2025**.

To register your child for the program

Go to: [lumenchristi.org.au/sacramental](http://lumenchristi.org.au/sacramental)

## CLERGY CONFERENCE 15-17 JULY

From Tuesday 15 July to Thursday 17 July, clergy from across the Diocese will attend the Annual Clergy Conference. Please note the adjusted liturgy schedule during this time:

### TUESDAY, 15TH JULY

Wollongong: 7am Mass, Fairy Meadow: No Mass

### WEDNESDAY, 16 JULY

Wollongong: 7am Mass, No Reconciliation  
12:10pm Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

### THURSDAY, 17 JULY

Wollongong: 7am Mass, Gwynneville: No Mass

Regular schedule resumes Friday, 18 July.

## KATHY URODA, ST BRIGID'S

Ms Kathy Uroda has been appointed to the substantive position of Principal at St Columbkille's Catholic Parish Primary School, Corrimal, commencing at the beginning of the 2026 school year.

Kathy's has a wealth of leadership experience in Catholic education, including her current role as Principal of St Brigid's Catholic Parish Primary School, Gwynneville since 2016. She is a woman of deep faith and a dedicated parishioner of our Lumen Christi Parish. Please join me in congratulating Kathy on this well-deserved and significant appointment. A recruitment process for the Principal position at St Brigid's, Gwynneville has now commenced.

Fr Bernard

## REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

### The Neighbourliness of Global Citizens

The lawyer asked a self-serving question: 'Who is my neighbour?' He could then set the limits, the boundaries of those close enough to merit his concern. Jesus replies with a story to show that the better question is: 'To whom should I be neighbourly?'

The answer is: To any person who is wounded in any way – physically, psychologically, socially, economically. And we have to do so overcoming the labelling, even bigotry, which can conveniently put a person outside the range of our concern. When we act like the Samaritan, we deserve the title 'Catholic' which means universal.

Pope Francis said that Christ is constantly inviting us, as he invited Thomas, to touch His wounds which are to be found in the wounded of our own time.

We could pause for a moment to thank God that we live in an age of technology which can enable us to be truly Catholic global citizens practising Mercy Without Borders. 'Do this and you will live.'

## HOLY COMMUNION TO THE INBOUND

If you know someone—a family member, neighbour, or friend—who is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, we invite you to contact the Parish Office. We can arrange for one of our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to visit them on a regular basis.

## HYMNAL RENEWAL – THANK YOU

Thank you to all those parishioners for your generous support of the Hymnal Renewal Project. We are pleased to share that all necessary funds have now been received, and the implementation of the new hymnals will commence in the coming weeks across our churches.

A special thank you to Paul Mason for his dedicated work and contribution to this important project. Paul's commitment to enriching our liturgical music has been invaluable. We encourage you to explore Paul's website, [liturgicalsong.com](http://liturgicalsong.com), which offers a wide range of liturgical resources to support and inspire your faith journey.

Thank you all once again for your faith-filled generosity.

Fr Bernard



27 JULY



10.30AM MASS  
followed by  
refreshments

27 JULY



8.30AM MASS  
followed by  
refreshments



## Parish Visitation

### BISHOP BRIAN MASCORD

25th July to 27th July & 3 August 2025

Parishioners & Visitors are invited to attend Mass celebrated by our Bishop followed by refreshments

3 AUGUST



10.00AM MASS  
followed by  
refreshments

26 JULY



5.30PM MASS  
followed by  
refreshments

# THIS WEEK'S READINGS & COMMENTARY

## Entrance Antiphon

*Cf Psalm 16:15*

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;  
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

## First Reading

*Deuteronomy 30:10-14*

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

*Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.*

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. R. see v.33*

*(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.*

1. This is my prayer to you,  
my prayer for your favour.  
In your great love, answer me, O God,  
with your help that never fails:  
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;  
in your compassion, turn towards me. *(R.)*
2. As for me in my poverty and pain  
let your help, O God, lift me up.  
I will praise God's name with a song;  
I will glorify him with thanksgiving. *(R.)*
3. The poor when they see it will be glad  
and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
for the Lord listens to the needy  
and does not spurn his servants in their chains. *(R.)*
4. For God will bring help to Zion  
and rebuild the cities of Judah.  
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;  
those who love his name shall dwell there. *(R.)*

## Second Reading

*Colossians 1:15-20*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

*All things were created through him and for him.*

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God  
and the first-born of all creation,  
for in him were created  
all things in heaven and on earth:  
everything visible and everything invisible,  
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –

all things were created through him and for him.

Before anything was created, he existed,

and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body,

he is its head.

As he is the Beginning,

he was first to be born from the dead,

so that he should be first in every way;

because God wanted all perfection

to be found in him

and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,

everything in heaven and everything on earth,

when he made peace

by his death on the cross.

## Gospel Acclamation

*See John 6:63. 68*

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;

you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

## Gospel

*Luke 10:25-37*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*Who is my neighbour?*

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

## Communion Antiphon

*Cf Psalm 83:4-5*

The sparrow finds a home,

and the swallow a nest for her young;

by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house,

for ever singing your praise.

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