30th Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year C 25th / 26th October, 2025

Next week: of All the Faithful **Departed**

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19

God shows no partiality to the rich or to the poor, or to the weak or the strong. God sees all persons as his children in need of his love and his redeeming grace.

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

The Commemoration St Paul was not above stating his achievements. He was justifiably proud of what he had accomplished for the Kingdom of God. But he knew better than to claim sole credit for what he had done.

Luke 18:9-14

Isaiah 25:6-9 Romans 5:5-11 Luke 7:11-17

Spiteful and prideful arrogance is such a terrible sin because it separates us from both God and our neighbor. The proud lock themselves away in lonely cells of self-satisfaction.

Universal Prayers

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- 1. For those who are part of the Church of God, that we might avoid patterning ourselves after worldly measurements of success and strength. We pray to the Lord.
- 2. For those who work in professional jobs, that we might look beyond our salaries and see our work as a gift to humankind. We pray to the Lord.
- 3. For those of us who live in fine homes, that we might realise that the worth of our house is no measure of greatness. We pray to the Lord.
- 4. For those of us who enjoy popularity, that we might use our social status as a platform for speaking out against injustice. We pray to the Lord.
- 5. For those of us who are physically attractive, that we might realise that beauty comes from inner strength and compassion. We pray to the Lord.
- 6. For those of us who are dedicated to the work of the Church, that we might use this, not to advance ourselves but to help the needy. We pray to the Lord.

Weekday Liturgical Schedule

8.00am Tuesday Mass Wednesday Mass 8.00am Thursday Mass 8.00am 8.00am Friday Mass

Confessions

Tuesday 28th October, 6:00pm

Mass Intentions

Saturday 25th Special Intention



Guadalupe: Mother of Humanity -**Community Screening**

Based on true events, "Guadalupe: Mother of Humanity" explores the miraculous image that defies explanation, the extraordinary events and miracles that have followed, and the enduring message of love and hope.

Screening Thursday November 13 at 6pm. All Tickets \$15 - On Sale HERE.

https://www.empirecinema.com.au/news/guad alupe-mother-humanity-community-screening

Parish Reflection Day

29 November 2025 ~ All Welcome

Beacons of Hope As the Jubilee Year on Pilarims of Hope draws to a close, we are reminded of these words from Pope Francis, "Let us train ourselves to recognise hope. We will then be able to marvel at how much good there is in the world. And our hearts will light up with hope. We will then be able to be beacons of the future for those

A warm invitation to all adults in our parish community to a day of gentle reflection on what it means to be Beacons of Hope.

Morning Tea and Lunch are provided. RSVP to the Parish Office by 7 November 2025 with dietary requirements. Email - Bowral@dow.org.au Phone - 4861 1902 More information on the Parish Website

Venue: The Hermitage, Mittagong, 843 Old South Road, The Hermitage,

Facilitator: Mr John Hickey, Director of the Hermitage.

Arrival: 9:00am - Please be seated by 9:20am.

Conclusion: 2:30pm

Cost: \$20pp Please pay at the Parish Office or place in an envelope on collection plate at mass, labelled with your Name and Parish Reflection Day. Please know there is funding available if currently your weekly budget is stretched.

(Contact the Parish Office for more information)



Artificial Intelligence & It's **Implications:**

A Catholic Perspective

Al is one of the most consequential technologies to have emerged in a generation. This presentation will first explore a number of themes on how AI is set to reshape the world. From there we will consider ways that Catholics can navigate the advancement of this technology across society in ways that not only strengthen our lives in faith but offer hope to all others.

29th October at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

and Lots More

Legion of Mary Piety Stall

First Holy Communion Gifts, Christmas Gifts

Before and after Mass, 8:00am – 9:30am 16th November-Weather permitting

Conversations

The upcoming Conversations will feature Joy Cullen, the Director of Music and Choir at St. Thomas Aquinas, taking place on November 27th in the parish hall at 10:30am.

CATHOLIC MISSION

October is mission month. Catholic Mission works on behalf of Pope Leo to support Church-run mission programmes around the world. The theme for 2025 is "Missionaries of hope among all peoples," and Catholic Mission in Australia will be directing this years fundraising to the church's important working Zambia. The appeal in our parish will be held this weekend 25/26 October.

November Masses

During November, the month of the holy souls, all Masses will be offered for the intentions of the deceased family and friends of parishioners.

If you would like a Mass offered, please return envelope to the parish office or place on either of the collections.

Please write name of the deceased very clearly on the front of the envelope. (Envelopes are available at the entrance of

the church)

Diary Dates ***

Solemn Vespers & Benedictions Women's Faith Circle (Coffee & Gospel) MMP Cenacle (Rosary and reading) Adult Formation Night Men's Group Morning Tea Solemn Vespers & Benedictions Conversations Catholic Women's League Meeting Mass for the Deceased & for the grieving Scripture Study Crafternoon

Sunday 26th October 4:00pm Wednesday 29th October 9:30am Parish Hall Thursday 30th October 6:00pm Chapel Wednesday 29th October 7:00pm Parish Hall Wednesday 12th November 7:00pm Parish Hall Thursday 13th November 10:15am Parish Hall Sunday 23rd November 4:00pm STA Thursday 27th November 10:30am Parish Hall Monday 17th November Parish Hall 10:30am Tuesday 18th November 10:00am STA Tuesday 18th November Parish Hall 6:00pm Friday 5th December 4:00pm Parish Hall