

“Growing in Faith * Building Community * Nurturing Youth

27th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: ‘Listen to another parable. .



Two-Minute Homily by Fr Bryan Roe for the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 2026. In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells a very pointed parable to the religious leaders of His time. He is actually assessing their leadership without them realising that the parable is about them. [Watch now.](#)

Deceased

Denise McGill, Lorraine Griffiths, Thomas Wakefield, Rena Youhanna, Beverley Brown, Anne Edgar, John Crawley, Bruno Cadet

Anniversary

Gerard McCaffery, Irene Tan, Eric Evans, Fr Brian Ahern

Sick

Norelle Marsden, James Diamond, Robert Minns, Bev Dick, Shane Abrams, Richard King, Beth Kloza, Peter Maher, Peter Townsen, Val Bonney, Julie Allen, Philomena (Nellie’s mum), Trish Crawshaw, Carmel Herbert, Christy Murphy, Jim Johnson, Mary Thomas, Carol Black, Moira De Silva, Margaret Sullivan, Ryan Ferguson, Toni Bennett, Lorraine Stevens, Olivia Muller Farias

WCCM (Christian Meditation)
Monday at 9.30am Parish Office.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Mater Dei: Monday & Friday
6 - 7pm

This week’s Gospel reflection:

STEWARDSHIP, CREATION AND THE VINEYARD

Australians know something about wine and winemaking. The imagery in today’s first reading and Gospel is therefore familiar: planting a vineyard, caring for the vines, harvesting the grapes and producing wine. We understand that a successful vineyard requires care, skill and good stewardship.

Both Isaiah and Jesus use the vineyard to challenge us about what we do with what has been entrusted to us. In the Gospel, the tenants forget that the vineyard belongs to the landowner. They begin to act as though it belongs to them. They forget that they are stewards, not owners.

This speaks directly to our own lives. God has entrusted us with our relationships, our communities, our talents and resources, and the gift of creation itself. The question is: How faithfully are we caring for what has been entrusted to us?

As the Season of Creation draws to a close, we turn towards the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October. St Francis understood that creation was not something to possess, but something to cherish. He called creation Brother Sun, Sister Moon and Sister Water, recognising our deep connection with all that God has made. This year’s theme, Living Water, has invited us to reflect on what sustains life, where it is threatened, and what is ours to protect. Perhaps we have considered how we conserve water, reduce waste, care for our grounds or use resources more responsibly.

But these reflections should not end with the season. A reflection becomes a plan. A plan becomes an action. An action becomes a practice. And a practice begins to shape a community.

As we approach the Feast of St Francis, let us ask:

What have we begun during this Season of Creation that we are ready to continue? And perhaps, more importantly:

What has God entrusted to us that we are being called to care for more faithfully? May St Francis inspire us to be faithful stewards of God’s creation, caring for its gifts and sharing them with others and with generations yet to come.

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[The Laudato Si’ Action Platform](#)



Every year on 2 November, Catholics come together to pray for the souls of the faithful departed. It’s a beautiful way to honour our loved ones and reflect on the journey of the soul. The Archdiocese of Brisbane would like to pray for your loved ones who have entered eternal life. Submit the names of your departed family and friends to be remembered in our All Souls Day prayers. [Submit Prayer Here](#)



WE WOULD LOVE TO PRAY FOR YOU.

Submit Your Prayer Request

Day/Date	Liturgy	Mass Times	Venue
Monday 05/10/2026	Weekday, Ordinary time 27 Saint Faustina Kowalska (OM)	9am	Mater Dei
Wednesday 30/09/2026	Our Lady of the Rosary	9am	SPC
Thursday 01/10/2026	Saint Bruno (OM)	9am	SPC
Friday 02/10/2026	Saint John Henry Newman (OM) Saint John Leonardi (OM) Saints Denis & companions (OM)	9am	Mater Dei
Saturday 03/10/2026	Vigil Mass	5.30pm	Mater Dei
Sunday 11/10/2026	28th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME	8am 10am 5pm	SPC Mater Dei SPC

~THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH~

* Monday

Kings Birthday Holiday -
Public Holiday Parish
Office Closed

*Wednesday

9am Mass SPC
followed by morning
tea in the parish office

*Thursday SPC hall

10am Happy Patches
Craft Group

*** Mahjong will resume
on 8th October
12.30pm**

*Friday at MD

6-7pm Adoration

menCONNECT

Gentlemen, our next Gathering is **6pm Friday 23rd October**. This is our last for 2026. We will hear from **Mark Doyle who is Associate Director, Mission and Ministry, Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Catholic Mission), Australian Catholic University**. All men of the parish are warmly invited to come along for an evening of faith, fellowship and encouragement.

Mark will declare that a meaningful and rounded life comes from anchoring your identity in faith, pursuing your God-given purpose, investing deeply in loving relationships, and intentionally aligning your daily habits with the life you are called to live.

The Gathering will be in the Parish Hall, 41 Chaprowe Rd, The Gap.

Cost is \$15.00. For catering purposes, please RSVP to Mike by text on 0459 992 228 or email menCONNECTsjwtg@gmail.com before 16th October.



The Columban Calendars
have arrived and are
available in the Parish
Office for \$10

HOME ROSARY

This week's rosary will be said at
the home of Anton & Ann on
Monday 5th October.
Contact the parish
office for further
details.



ADVENT RESOURCES

This year we have two resources to choose from:
**The Way of the Heart from Archdiocesan ministries or
Presence from Woollongong Diocese.**

Both books cost \$7.00 and can be purchased
from the Parish Office.



JOURNEY WITH AN RCIA CANDIDATE

Our RCIA candidate is preparing to receive the Sacraments and become a full member of the Catholic Church. We are looking for a person or persons to volunteer to accompany a candidate on her RCIA journey beginning in September leading up to Easter 2027. It involves weekly meeting usually between 60 or 90 minutes duration probably in the evening or it may also be during the day - we are not sure yet. We supply a beautiful booklet about the Faith Journey. For further information you can contact Graham Lawson 0431275668

Please check out our
Parish Webpage and
Facebook Page for
regular updates.



Young Adults Group

This Monday (5 October) on the public holiday, we're doing a bushwalk with Scripture reflection. All young adults (18-30) are invited! To get more info for the bushwalk and join our YA Group Chat, text Lauren on 0487 635 721.

October is World Mission Month

This year, we invite our parishioners to support the Church in Malawi, where the dedicated work of Fr Matthew Semba is transforming the lives of children and families through St Peters Nyamikuta Primary School.

With our parish's support, the Church will be able to:

- Build a new school closer to the local community, providing children with greater access to education
- Provide nutritious meals to students, helping them to learn and thrive
- Purchase essential learning resources, including books, pencils and school uniforms, so children can attend school with confidence and dignity.

This important project will be the focus of the Catholic Mission Parish Appeal across the Brisbane Archdiocese during World Mission Month.

The World Mission Sunday Appeal will be held on 17 and 18 October 2026.

To learn more about Catholic Mission and their work, please go to [Catholic Mission](#)



Bishop Michael Putney MEMORIAL EVENT

Why Christian Unity
matters more than ever.

THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER 2026

DETAILS | 6pm to 9pm | The Hanly Room,
Francis Rush Centre, 196 Charlotte St

COST | \$30 (includes dinner)

MODERATOR | Rev David Busch, UCA minister at New Farm and former
host of ABC Radio Sunday night Religion Program

PANELLISTS | Archbishop Shane Mackinlay,
Bishop Bartholomew, Ms Kym Korbe



Scan code or visit tinyurl.com/BMPMemorialEvent26
for more information and to register.

RSVP MONDAY 5 OCTOBER

Welcome Sunday

Welcome Sunday is a special opportunity to celebrate who we are as a parish community. Whether you are a familiar face, new to our parish, or visiting for the first time, we warmly invite you to join us. Take a moment to say hello, meet someone new, enjoy a cuppa and share in the spirit of friendship and belonging. We would love you to be part of our parish community!



THE GIFT OF A TEACHER

"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."
~ Henry Adams ~

World Teachers' Day on October 5 is an opportunity to recognise the important role teachers play in our lives.

A good teacher does much more than help us learn. They encourage us when we are unsure, offer support when we face difficulties and help us discover abilities we may not have recognised in ourselves. Most of us can remember a teacher who made a difference. Perhaps they were patient when we struggled, believed in us when our confidence was low or simply took the time to listen. That support can shape the way we see ourselves and give us the motivation to keep trying. Teachers also help prepare us for life beyond the classroom. Along with knowledge, they can teach us valuable lessons about kindness, respect, perseverance and the importance of doing our best. On World Teachers' Day, we give thanks for those who dedicate themselves to teaching and inspiring others. Their guidance can have a lasting influence on the person we become.

Dear Lord, bless all teachers with patience, wisdom and strength each day. May they find joy in their work and know that what they do is valued and appreciated. Amen.



ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED

A single middle aged working male, non-smoking, no pets, is seeking a granny flat or similar or willing to share with one or two people.

References available— Please contact Kevin on 0435275728



CELEBRATING ST FRANCIS
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Hearing his message today

TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER
12 PM - 2PM HANLY ROOM
FREE • RSVP BY 2 OCTOBER
Lunch provided before the workshop

BOOK NOW
To register scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/Francis800

In every creature, we see the reflection of God's love.
St Francis

Archdiocesan MINISTRIES

As the parish journeys towards Divine Renovation we invite you to ask the Holy Spirit to help you discern what you can do to help our parish go from Maintenance to a Missionary church.

We all have talents make yours count!



Weekly Reflection on the Golden Wedding Mass

Archbishop Shane Mackinlay reflects on the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass.

Last Saturday, couples from across the Archdiocese gathered at the Cathedral of St Stephen to celebrate fifty years or more of marriage. During the Mass, they renewed their wedding vows and received a special blessing. The celebration was a joyful opportunity to give thanks for their faithful commitment to one another and for the enrichment their love has brought in their own lives, for their families, and in our broader community. The couples spoke of their ideals and goals, and also of the everyday realities of their lives together. Their recollections were a reminder that a marriage is built through countless acts of generosity, patience, understanding and forgiveness. It is formed not only in moments of celebration, but also in times of challenge and sacrifice. They spoke too of their experience of God's faithful love for them, accompanying them through the joys and sorrows, successes and disappointments that have been part of their journeys. By coincidence, that same day three other couples exchanged their wedding vows in ceremonies at the Cathedral, asking God's blessing as they began their married life and providing a reminder of the hope and excitement at the beginning of the journey of marriage. Hopefully these newly married couples will one day have an opportunity to return and celebrate their own wedding anniversaries.



"The Parish of St John's Wood The Gap would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land, the Turrbal and Jagera people, and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging. We acknowledge their continued connection to the land, water and community".

ST JOHN'S WOOD THE GAP PARISH

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St Peter Chanel Primary School

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A
An employer would likely fire any employee who consistently fails to perform the job properly.
God's plan calls us to live our vocation daily in the best way we can.



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