


Entrusted to the Salesians of Don Bosco

Our Lady of the Rosary

Catholic Church

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE 22 November 2026

Entrance Antiphon:

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain;
to receive power and divinity, and
wisdom and strength and honour.
To him belong glory and power
for ever and ever.

First Reading:

Ez 34:11-12.15-17

You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.

The Lord says this:
I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself Will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm:

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **(R.)**

2. Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. **(R.)**

3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall
follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading:

1 Cor 15:20-26.28

He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

Christ has been raised from the dead,
The first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on him who comes
in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom
of our father David! **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: Mt 25:31-46

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He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another. Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you



since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me any-thing to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.

'The Word of the Lord

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

IN OUR PARISH

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr. Jeff Miller SDB
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Enquiries: Please phone the Parish Office between 9:30am - 12:00pm & 1:00pm - 3:30pm, Monday to Friday.

Salesian Community: Phone: 9623 1220

Don Bosco Youth Centre: Phone: 9623 0450
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Salesian Sisters:
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Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School
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RECONCILIATION TIMES

Saturdays: 9:00am - 10:00am and 5:00pm - 5:30pm
Mon to Fri: 7:30pm to 8:00pm (after the 7pm Mass)

MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat 21 Nov PRESENTATION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
6:00pm Roland Peters

Sun 22 Nov CHRIST THE KING FEAST DAY
7:30am Villamor family
9:00am Isidrita Coma
10:30am Julien Christofol
5:30pm Pro Populo



Mon 23 Nov ST COLUMBAN, ST CLEMENT I
6:30am Friends of Suffering Souls
9:00am For the Unborn
7:00pm Personal Intention

Tue 24 Nov ST ANDREW DUNG-LAC & CO.
6:30am Ken, Serge, Greg & Ronnie
9:00am Rose Lukey
7:00pm Violet Peloe

Wed 25 Nov ST CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA
6:30am Priests, Nuns & Religious
9:00am Anica Pavlovic
7:00pm Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thu 26 Nov
6:30am Bethany Pilgrimage
9:00am Alison Cunningham
7:00pm Persecuted Christians

Fri 27 Nov
6:30am Antonia and Charlie Militano
9:00am Holy Souls in Purgatory
7:00pm Thanksgiving

Sat 28 Nov
8:00am Helen Ho

MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday: 6:30am, 9:00am, 7:00pm
Saturday: 8:00am, 6:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 5:30pm

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Jesus the Healer, we commend to your gentle hands
Emmanuel ,Josephine Vella, Maya Glinski, Ruth Magnaye, Jorge Oliveras, Josephine Evans, Brian Xerri, Tenesha Faulkner, Rudy Rupac, Elinda Lopez, Norma Sulvita, Michael McDermot, Wayne Reynolds, Maryanne Santos, Denise Blanche, Patrick Levelle, Peyton Daley, Mario Cauchi, Robert Engele- Brecht, Reynaldo Bendayral, Vanessa Trujillo, Renee Azzopardi, Juliet Lee, Ashton D'Costa, Rolando Aguda, Hugo Labra, Andre Rodriguez, Ginnah Alia, David Freeman, Susie Lipstack, Crystal Darcy, Zdravko & Marija Palovic, Evotia Letele, Karen Barret, Josephine Mitchell, Emelita Howlett, Allan & Jackie Cullen, Esperanza Mirafeuntes, Fr S.R Abraham Thomas, Reetahmma Abraham, Sophia Furey, Aurora Jimenez, Adam Burton, Arou Akot, Ronald Manzano, Anna Juresa, Ronnie D'costa, Beatrice Leary, Lorraine Damian, Fr Jepser B, Monica Thomas, Shuashaw-Hancock, Miloh Molesi, Blanche Jones, Clare LeGrand, Renato Manongdo, Bernard Prendergast, Merwyn D'Souza, Bertha Wetton, Bobby Jose, Edward Sebastiano, Joe Duval. Loyda Cruz, John Newton. June Dodd, Margaret Lawrence, J & S Reed, Loida Berboso, Elisapneta Salale, Marica Rubelj, Julien Christopher, Riza Manlapig.

PRAYERS FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially
Stephen Neville, Raymond Clarke, Sarafino Enadid, Felicia Sisinni, Eileen Morrow, Vincent Leary, Pellegrino Penna, Lucija Jeroncic, Vicky Xerri, Linda Weightman, Norma O'Sullivan, Maria Maciejewska, Janene Martin, Maria Rohrlach, Theresa Menezes, MaryAnn Salazar, Camillo Piccirilli, Jose Maria Pepingco, Charlie Buttigieg, Grace Micallef, Stipe Kulas, Josephine Saporita, Antonietta D'Angola. Marija Sterle, Joseph Mazurkiewic, Verna Venus, Mick Boyle, Paul Evers, Peter Mcllvenna, Corrine Cedor, Richard Devonshire, Jacob Pereira, Kathleen Dal-Seno Jennifer Kohn, Zenia Obedencia, Peter Durik, Sian Martin, Michael Paulo, Teresa Piccirilli, Josephine Vella, Jennifer Kohn, Vladmir Sestic, Francisca Theissen, Vladimir Sestic, Thomas Turner, Jack Gallea, Anne K.

Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord, let your light shine upon them, may they rest in peace.

1st and 2nd Collections:

Thank you for your generosity and ongoing support.

If you prefer to donate via ONLINE BANKING, Please refer to details below:

(1st Collection) - For the Clergy's sustentation & care
BSB NO: 067 950 **ACCOUNT NO**: 00004414
ACCOUNT NAME: St Marys Pastoral Revenue

(2nd Collection) - Parish Ministry & Maintenance
BSB NO: 067 950 **ACCOUNT NO**: 100000329
ACCOUNT NAME: St Marys Catholic Church

First Collection (previous weekend)	$1450.85
Second Collection (previous weekend)	$1861.60
Tap & Go Donations	$3203.33

Collections are no longer conducted during weekend Masses. A collection box is located at the back of the Church (on weekends only).

TAP & GO MACHINES

The two Tap & Go machines in the church, donations will go towards the Church 2nd collection.
Kindly Select your donation amount $5, $10, $20 or other.

COMING EVENTS:

22 Nov: **Christ the King Feast Day**
Bishop's Christmas Appeal
OLR Parish 80th Anniversary Mass – Morning Tea
Charismatic Renewal Mass, OLR Church, 1:30pm
26 Nov: Red November Mass, 7pm
23 Nov: Holy Wounds Devotion, Church, 7:30pm
27 Nov: Combined Choir Information session / practice
Faith Formation Evening (details below), 7:30pm
28 Nov: Advent Retreat (details below)
29 Nov: Pilgrim Mother Apostolate, MacKillop Centre, 11:45am
Sale of Honey after all weekend Masses
5-6 Dec: St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal
9 Dec: Finance Committee Meeting
15 Dec: 2nd Rite of Reconciliation, 7:30pm
20 Dec: Carols by Candlelight, Mackillop Centre, 7:30pm

Bishop's Christmas Good Works Appeal

This Christmas, embrace the spirit of the Nativity story. Let the birth of our Saviour, Jesus, inspire us to reach out to those in need – especially vulnerable homeless women and children. Help a young mother break the cycle of violence and homelessness.

Your tax-deductible gift this Christmas can provide young mothers and their children with secure shelter, nourishing food, and the support they need to build a strong family life and a hopeful future. Thank you for your generosity, kindness and compassion.

Please give generously at parracatholic.org/appeal or scan the QR code on the poster in the Church.

RED NOVEMBER: Pray - Support - Act.

Aid to the Church in Need invites you to remember and pray for our Christian brothers and sisters who are persecuted for their faith.

Join us in celebrating a special Mass for the persecuted Church
Thursday, 26 November at 7:00pm

Live Christ Share Christ - **Parish Faith Formation**

Topic: The 'YES' that changed the world (An advent reflection on Mary's YES)
Speaker: Charbel Raish (Founder of Parousia Media)
Date: **Friday 27 November, 7.30pm-9pm**
(soon after the 7:00pm Mass) in the Parish Hall.



IMMACULATE MARY STATUE

Ms.Violet Peloe
19 Henry Lawson Dr, Werrington County

If you would like the Rosary Statue in your home for a week, kindly contact Mr & Mrs Johnson 0404 028 823.

ADORATION CHAPEL RECRUITMENT DRIVE

This weekend 21 & 22 November 2026.

CHURCH COMBINED CHOIR

For those interested in a combined ladies and gents' choir please register at the office.

With enough interest we would like to get in some practice for Christmas. All are welcome.

- **Friday 27th November, 5:45pm**
- **First practice / information session**
- **Choir loft in the church.**

OLR PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

Join us for Adoration, Holy Mass and 2 Talks by Guest Speaker Charbel Raish as we prepare our hearts for the birth of Christ.

Saturday 28th November 2026
9am to 12-30pm at Winbourne Centre, Mulgoa Rd, Mulgoa. All are welcome.
Denis Collins 0459 185 517

OLR - BEE HIVE HONEY



Honey for sale after all Masses weekend of 28 & 29 November 2026,
Only while stock lasts. $10 per jar (*cash only*)

100% pure honey from our very own backyard Beehives, with all it's natural goodness.

COME JOIN US !
Pilgrim Mother Apostolate
4th Sunday of the Month Rosary



When: Sunday, 29 November 2026
Time: 11:45am (after 10:30am Mass)
Venue: MacKillop Centre, Collins St, St Marys.
Followed by a light lunch (provided). ALL WELCOME
Enquiries: Fenina - **0431 867 491**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL



On the weekend of **5 & 6 December**, after all Masses we will have a bucket collection outside the church. Donation envelopes will be available for credit card payments & receipts.

Your generosity will help many families doing it tough this Christmas.

Tags will hang again on our Christmas tree for 'Gift cards' for children this year. Suggested value of $20 - $25 per tag per child. Please return the gift cards by the Appeal weekend via the Collection buckets, Parish office or a member of the Society.

These will be distributed to families prior to Christmas.

Thank you for your ongoing support of The Society.

Peter Morgan SVDP St Marys

Dear Parishioners,

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY, ST MARYS - 80 YEARS AT A GLANCE

- The suburb of St Marys was part of the Parish of Penrith until December 1946 when it was separated to form the Parish of St Marys. The rough boundaries of the new St Marys parish were: Richmond Road to the north, Eastern Creek to the east, Elizabeth Drive to the south, and Bringelly-Northern Road to the west.
- Fr. Michael Nelan was appointed as the first parish priest and remained until 1947 when he was replaced by Fr. Thomas Kerr, who named the parish "Our Lady of the Rosary".
- In 1952, the parish's first purpose built Catholic School – staffed by Mary MacKillop's Sisters of St. Joseph - was established on the block between Saddington and Putland Streets, beside the existing parish Church which had been built in 1892.
- Fr. Kerr was succeeded as parish priest by Fr. James Page in August 1954.
- In 1956, new parishes were established in the surrounding districts, resulting in the parish boundaries being redistributed to approximate St Marys' municipal boundaries.
- In 1959, the Congregational leader of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Mother Leone, saw to the construction of a new Convent building (which remains today) on land owned by the sisters at the corner of Mamre Road and Swanston Street. Two years later, they freely donated the remainder of their land to the Archdiocese for the construction of the present Church and presbytery.
- The "double fan" shaped Church was designed by Kevin Curtin & Partners, and built by W. McNamarra & Co. It was blessed and opened by Cardinal Gilroy on Sunday, 13 May 1962 – the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima (who had identified herself at the final, rainy Fatima apparition as Our Lady of the Rosary), and what was incidentally the wettest day in 100 years.
- In 1967, the Archdiocese secured the block of land on the corner of Swanston and Collins Streets for the establishment of an Infants School (today's MacKillop Centre), with the existing two storey brick building constructed in 1971. Plans for a new parish Primary School on Saddington Street followed, with the first section completed in 1978.
- Fr. Page retired in 1982, having served as parish priest for 28 years, and was succeeded by Fr. Richard Cattell.
- In June 1984, parishioners held a meeting regarding the construction of a parish hall on the eastern corner of Collins and Swanston Streets; built largely on the volunteer labour of parishioners, many of whom still live in the parish, the hall was completed and opened by parishioner and Mayor of Penrith, Kevin Dwyer on 30 October 1986. The second section of Our Lady of the Rosary Primary was also completed in 1986.
- The Salesians of Don Bosco arrived in the parish in April 1989, with Fr. Peter Kerin sent to establish a new youth centre in the area. Construction of the Don Bosco Youth Centre began in 1992, and was formally opened to the public on 24 June, 1993.
- Fr. Cattell was succeeded as parish priest by Fr. Paul Slyney on 1 September, 1994.
- The parish was entrusted to the Salesians in 1998, with Fr. Peter Kerin appointed as the first Salesian parish priest, followed by Fr. Bob Bossini in 2006.
- Fr. Brendan Murphy became parish priest in 2011, with the crowning glory of his 15-year service being the establishment of the parish Perpetual Adoration Chapel in August 2017.
- Fr. Murphy was succeeded in January 2026 by Yours faithfully, Fr. Jeff.

Source - "The Catholic Church at St Marys" by C.J. Connelly, 1995.