THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | YEAR A | 08 NOVEMBER 2026

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16
Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2
(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. **(R.)**

2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary. to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. **(R.)**

3. So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. **(R.)**

4. On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **(R.)**

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

Gospel Acclamation:
Matthew 24:42. 44
Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13
Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

Communion Antiphon: Cf Psalm 22:1-2
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA
The early Christians thought that all their questions about death had been answered with the resurrection of Jesus. Therefore, when loyal Christians began to die, not only did their old questions come back, but also they were plagued with new and difficult ones. Was it possible that those loyal Christians had not been loyal after all? Or worse, were the promises made by Jesus empty promises? No! Paul assures us. It is all true. Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again, and all the faithful will be joined with him. How it will happen, we do not know. When it will happen, we do not know. That it will happen, we are sure.

The wisdom that we have culled from life becomes the treasury from which we draw the prudence and insight needed to negotiate life's paradoxes. It throws light on our strengths and on our weaknesses; it enables us to discern what is important and what is not; it directs us to bring extra oil in our lamps. Life and the wisdom that we have acquired through it, have taught us that we can indeed trust the promises of God. They have been fulfilled in the past, and wisdom assures us that they will be fulfilled in the future. It is wisdom that cautions us to be vigilant, to be ready to adjust our plans. It is wisdom that prepares us for the night watches of life. It is wisdom that instructs us to be ready at all times.

Next Sunday's Readings – Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A (15th November 2026)
1st Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31
2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

ST. JUDE'S PARISH – LANGWARRIN

"May mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance" - Jude 1:2

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St. Jude's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people, and vulnerable adults

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Tuesdays
8.30 am – 1:30 pm
Thursdays
8.30 am – 1:30 pm

MASS TIMES
Tuesday – 10 November 2026
6.00pm – 6.30pm:
Holy Hour
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
(Priest available for confession)
Mass: 7.00pm

Wednesday to Saturday
11 – 13 Nov 26
Mass: 9.30am
14 Nov 26
No Mass at 9.30am
(priest will be attending ordination)

WEEKEND MASS
14 November 2026
Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

15 November 2026
Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am

RECONCILIATION
Priest available for Confession on Saturdays after 9.30 am Mass

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"At midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him."
Matthew 25:6

PARISH MINISTRIES & NOTICES

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER			
14/ 15 November 2026 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A	**Saturday Vigil**	**Sunday**	
	6.30pm	**8.30 am**	**10.00 am**
Leader	N. Rooney	D. Balcke	N. Crowe
Reader	L. Rooney	P. Hughes	J. Sheridan
Special Ministers	R. O'Sullivan	C. Keecherer	A. Graham
Meet and greet	Volunteer Required	A.Miles T. Harris	M.Staffa D.Hall

PRAYING FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

We also pray for all those who are sick, Joan Burrowes, Janice Garac, Liz & Robert Yole, Jeff Balcke, Martin and Kris Corcoran, Bill Warner, Christine Suriano, Jim Drinan, Isaac de Figueredo and all our family, friends and parishioners that they may feel God's healing love.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARY: Maria Tripodi (7th November 2025)

If you would like to offer a Mass for a loved one, please contact the parish office

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

1ST COLLECTION - PRESBYTERY

$698.95

This collection supports the priest in our parish.

2ND COLLECTION - THANKSGIVING OFFERING

(not including the Direct debts and card payments)

$584.20

This collection goes towards the running costs of the Parish (staff wages, utilities, insurance, cleaning, etc).

SPECIAL COLLECTION

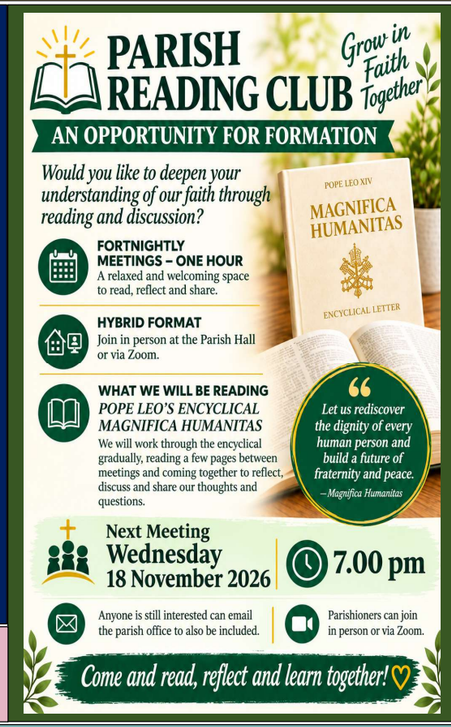
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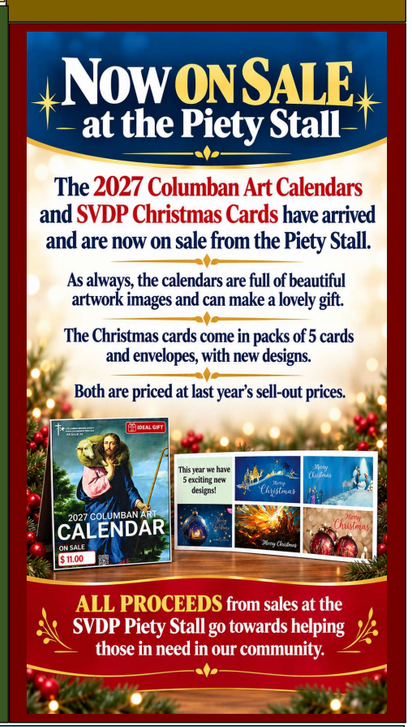
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THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
November 09

This feast celebrates the dedication of the Basilica of St John Lateran in Rome, the cathedral church of the Pope as Bishop of Rome. It reminds us that the Church is not merely a building of stone but the living Body of Christ, made up of the faithful across the world. As we honour this mother church of all churches, we give thanks for our own parish community and pray that we, too, may be living temples of God's presence.

SAINT LEO THE GREAT, POPE AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
November 10

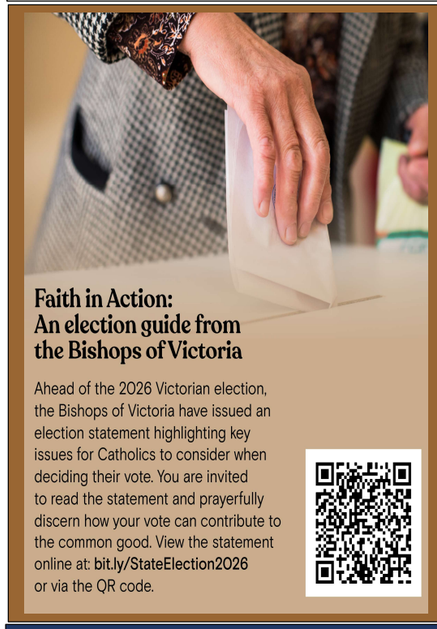
St Leo the Great was Pope for 20 years from the year 440. During his pontificate he defended Rome from the barbarian conquerer, Atilla the Hun, by convincing him to accept tribute from the city rather than sacking it. Leo's greatest triumph as pope came from the acceptance of his dogmatic letter, which taught that Jesus Christ is one Person, in whom both human and divine nature are permanently united. Almost 100 of his letters and sermons still survive; he was declared a doctor of the church in 1754.

SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP
November 11

Martin, son of a soldier, was born c.315 in Pannonia (present day Hungary). He was brought up in Pavia, Italy. Baptised as an adult, Martin founded a monastery at Liguage – the first in France. He was also an active missionary in rural France. He was consecrated Bishop of Tours in 371 and died there in 397.

ST JOSAPHAT
November 12

St Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr, known for his tireless work for unity within the Church. Born in Ukraine in the late 1500s, he became a Basilian monk and later Archbishop of Polotsk. St Josaphat devoted his life to bringing Christians together in faith and love, even in the face of fierce opposition. He was martyred for his commitment to Church unity in 1623.





RED NOVEMBER 2026: A MESSAGE FROM AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND:

ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. During this Red November, we invite you to pray, support and act in solidarity with 388+ million Christians persecuted for their faith. Around the world, churches and public buildings will light up in red as a symbol of the sacrifice and suffering of our modern-day martyrs. In Australia and New Zealand, over 20 Cathedrals will be lit in red, with some holding Masses and prayer vigils for persecuted Christians. Visit www.rednovember.org to learn more.

OBITUARY
REVEREND FATHER BRENDAN JAMES LANE

It is with sadness that we announce the death of Reverend Father Brendan James Lane, who died peacefully on Thursday, 5 November 2026, at Justin Villa, Balwyn, aged 81. Ordained in 1973, Fr Brendan devoted 53 years of priestly service to the Church. He served in several parishes across the Archdiocese of Melbourne, including Fitzroy, Bulleen, Glenhuntly, Cheltenham, Sunshine, Hampton Park, Mill Park and Dandenong. He also served as a missionary priest in Zambia and as Rector of Corpus Christi College, where he generously contributed to the formation of future priests. Remembered for his gentle priestly manner, missionary heart and dedicated pastoral service, Fr Brendan leaves behind a lasting legacy in the lives of many priests and parishioners. We give thanks for his faithful service and commend him to the loving mercy of God. **May he rest in peace.** Funeral details will be announced once finalised.

