



**ST PATRICK'S
CATHEDRAL**
PARRAMATTA

04 October 2026 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

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Mass Schedule

WEEKENDS

6:00pm (Saturday) Vigil Mass
7:30am Morning Prayer
8:00am Mass
9:30am Mass
11:00am Solemn Mass with Cathedral Choir
6:00pm Mass

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

6:10am Morning Prayer
6:30am Mass
11:15am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
11:15am Reconciliation (till 12:15pm)
Rosary after Angelus at 12:00 noon
12:30pm Mass

SATURDAY

7:30am Morning Prayer
8:00am Mass
8:30am Reconciliation (till 9:00am)
5:00pm Reconciliation (till 5:30pm)

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

8:00am Mass (No Adoration or Confessions)

WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS

Monday 7:15pm - Legion of Mary
Tuesday 9:30am - Christian Meditation
Tuesday 7:30pm - RCIA (September - April)
Friday 1:00pm - Cenacle Prayers

MONTHLY PRAYER GROUPS

First Friday Devotions: 7:00pm in Chapel
True Life in God: Last Friday @ 6:00pm in the Cloister Cafe

OTHER GROUPS

Credo Youth Ministries

Contact the office or find information on

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Email: credo@stpatscathedral.com.au

Friends of St Patrick's Cemetery

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Our faith must make us productive

THE CHRISTIAN is called to a life of service. This service comprises of service to God and neighbours. In fact, service to God is manifested in the service to one another. This was the experience of the early Christians who used to gather to pray in the upper room and also attend to the needs of the poor and widows in the community (Acts 2:42-47). We have all received different and various gifts from the Lord which are meant to be used for our own good and the good of those around us (Matt. 25:14-30; 1 Cor. 12).



In today's readings, we are confronted with the fate of those who received gifts and talents from the Lord, some were productive and others were not. The first reading (Isaiah 5:1-7) tells of a vineyard that was well cultivated with enough nutrients to make it productive. Unfortunately, the vineyard refuses to bear the desired fruits. For this reason, the owner of the vineyard vowed in his anger and frustration not to take cognizance of the vineyard again but to let it lay waste. This vineyard is a metaphor for the house of Israel which has refused to bear the fruits of repentance, justice, integrity and righteousness (Isaiah 5:7; Ps. 80).

Jesus tells a parable in the gospel passage about a landowner who planted a vineyard and did all that was necessary to make it fruitful by employing workers to work in it. However, when the time came for the harvesting, the workers turned against the landowner not only by not remitting the desired fruits from the vineyard, they also assaulted the landowner's messengers and son and even killed some of them. Consequently, the landowner vowed in his anger to punish those workers and replace them with workers who would deliver the desired fruits at the right time.

The message here is that God has called all of us, too, to work in his vineyard and be productive. He has given us the enabling graces to be fruitful. He wants us to put into use all the graces he has bestowed on us. We have no excuses should we fail to produce the desired fruits (Matt. 25:31-45). This passage enumerates all that needs to be done in order to receive the crown of glory at the end of our sojourn here on earth. It is, therefore, not sufficient to claim that we have faith without good works to accompany it (Jam. 2:14-26). Our faith must translate into concrete actions. Faith and good works are the necessary conditions for salvation. Jesus tells his disciples: "In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven." The difference between Christians and philanthropists is faith. It is our faith that must make us to be productive. If we are not productive we become disposable, useful for nothing.

Hence, St Paul in the second reading, admonishes us to keep on doing the things we have learnt from him. We must imitate him as he has imitated Christ. He continues his admonition: "Finally, brethren, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise" (Phil.4:8). Let us, therefore, arm ourselves with good works by being there for one another, putting ourselves at the service of God through the various ministries in the parish, and showing good examples for others to emulate. In this way we shall produce fruits in thirties, sixties and hundreds.

Wishing you a blessed week ahead,

Fr Vincent

THE BULLETIN

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Sacraments

Baptisms are celebrated in the Cathedral on most Sundays after the 11:00am Solemn Mass, at around 12:45pm. Contact the parish office to book or fill out the form on the website.

Weddings are by appointment only.

At least six months' notice is necessary.

Contact the Parish Secretary on 8839 8412.

First Eucharist and Confirmation

Please contact the Parish Secretaries.

Hiring of Rooms

For hire of Cloister Function rooms, call the office on 8839 8400 or enquiry@stpatscathedral.com.au

Material for Bulletin

If you have something that you would like published in the bulletin, please ensure that it is conveyed to our Parish Secretaries, Paula or Donna, by **12:00 noon on Thursday**.

Thank you for welcoming St Carlo Acutis

What a beautiful and grace-filled few days we experienced at St Patrick's Cathedral as we welcomed the Major Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis.

Over the 22 hours that Carlo was with us, more than 4000 people came through the Cathedral to pray, venerate the relic and participate in the many opportunities for prayer and reflection. We welcomed families, young people, children, the elderly and parishioners from across the community, with people of all ages coming together in prayer. It was wonderful to see so many people making time to encounter the Lord through the intercession of St Carlo.

During the visit, we celebrated Masses, Eucharistic Adoration, the Rosary and Benediction, offered Confession and individual blessings with the relic, and heard inspiring talks about St Carlo and his love for Jesus and the Eucharist.

A very special thank you to all our volunteers and those who generously gave their time to assist with the visit. Thank you to everyone who helped with welcoming and guiding pilgrims, liturgies and, especially, those who served as guardians of the relic during the hours of veneration. Your service helped make this special visit possible.

We are grateful to everyone who came to pray with us and to all who helped create such a prayerful and welcoming atmosphere.

The Novena to St Carlo Acutis begins on 03 October, in preparation for his Feast Day on 12 October. Parishioners are invited to pray the Novena privately and seek St Carlo's intercession for their special intentions.

<https://www.praymorenovenas.com/carlo-acutis-novena>

St Carlo Acutis, pray for us!



Our Commitment to Safeguarding

At St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta, we are dedicated to creating a safe and nurturing environment for all members of our community, especially children and vulnerable adults, in line with the "Parramatta Way."

The Parramatta Way of Safeguarding is to...

- Act with justice, and state that we have a zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person;
- Act with justice, and ensure that laws and obligations are upheld, and safety is paramount.



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PARISH NOTICES

Host the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of the Legion of Mary

Invite the blessings of Our Lady into your home by hosting the Pilgrim Statue of the Legion of Mary. This special visitation provides an opportunity for family prayer, reflection, and spiritual renewal, bringing families together under the loving care of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



Parishioners are encouraged to welcome the statue into their homes and spend time in prayer for their families, parish, and community. Whether for a day or a week, hosting the statue is a meaningful way to deepen faith and devotion.

For bookings or more information, please contact Brian on 0492 836 495 or email bd.2913@gmail.com.

Sacramental Preparation: Penance & First Holy Communion

The Sacramental Team at St Patrick's Cathedral invites families to enrol children in preparation for the Sacraments of Penance (Reconciliation/Confession) and First Eucharist through a parish-based, family-centred process.

An **Information Evening** will be held on **Monday 19 October at 7:30pm** in the St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta Cloister Hall. **Online registration opens Tuesday 20 October**, with **enrolment at the 9:30am Mass on Sunday 25 October**.



Children must be 7 years of age by 01 July 2026 to be eligible. Parents are encouraged to prayerfully discern whether their child is ready to begin preparation.

Preparation for Penance (Reconciliation/Confession) will take place from October through November. Penance must be celebrated before First Holy Communion. First Holy Communion preparation classes will commence in February 2027. For further information, please contact the Parish Coordinator.

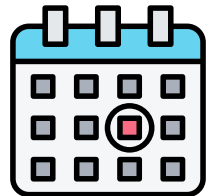
November Mass Intentions

November is, of course, the month that we traditionally pray for the Holy Souls. Envelopes are now available to submit names of deceased loved ones for whom they wish to pray. As usual, names of our beloved deceased will be entered into the parish Book of Remembrance, displayed in the chapel throughout the month.

Please note that all Masses in November will be offered for the Holy Souls.

Public Holiday

Monday 05 October is the Labour Day Public Holiday, so just the one Mass at 8:00am. Cathedral precinct open the usual hours.



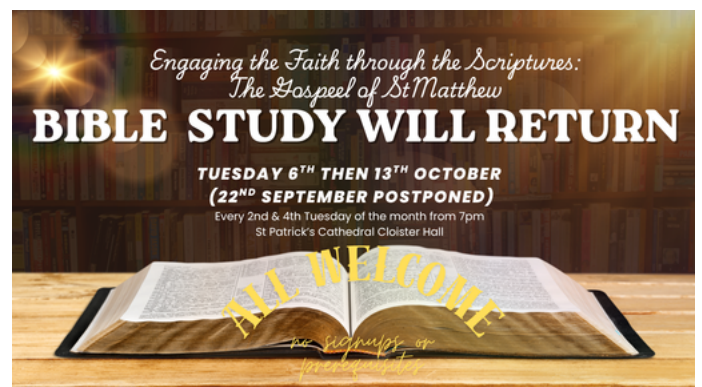
Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on **Sunday 11 October in the Cloister Hall at 12:30pm** with a light lunch. The Annual Report is now ready to view on the app. All welcome!

Social Justice Committee Prayer Session

Thursday 08 October | 7:00–7:45pm | Chapel

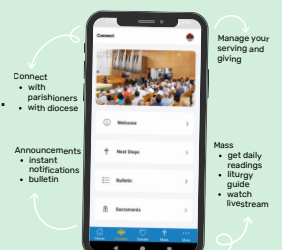
The Social Justice Committee will be holding a prayer session in the chapel, giving thanks for the Faith in Action work across the parish and supporting forward discernment. Supper will follow in the presbytery. All are welcome.



How to Download the App

1. Scan QR Code to go to Google Play Store or Apple App Store on your mobile device.
2. Tap the "Install" button to download and install the app.
3. Once installed, open the app and finish setting up your profile.

The App can also be downloaded via the Cathedral website: www.stpatricks cathedral.com.au



PARISH NOTICES

Fr Robert on retreat

Please note that shortly I will be taking my annual retreat. It will be from **16-26 October**.

On leave

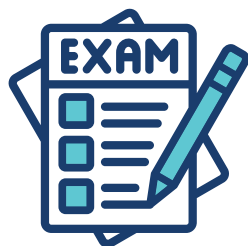
Paula, one of our two parish secretaries, will be on leave from 06 October and will return to the Parish Office on Tuesday, 03 November. This trip was booked before she commenced her appointment at the Cathedral. We wish her safe travels and look forward to welcoming her back on her return.

Overnight Shelter Trial Update to Parish

Members of the Parish Pastoral Council will give an update on the shelter trial after weekend Masses across 10-11 October. Please keep those experiencing homelessness and those planning the trial in your prayers.

HSC students

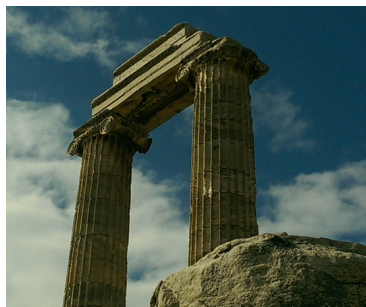
The Higher School Certificate (HSC) begins on 13 October and concludes on 05 November. This is a time of stress not only for the students concerned but also for those closest to them, family and friends, who may have to bear some of the burden with those sitting the exams. Please pray for all concerned, that students may know that future success does not depend on their results, and that those closest to the students will support them as best they can over these stressful few weeks.



Pilgrimage to Turkey in 2027 - Fr Robert

There are still a few places left for the proposed pilgrimage to Turkey in **October next year (2027)**. This pilgrimage, titled "In the Footsteps of St Paul", is a comprehensive tour of key sites associated with St Paul and the early Church. I led a similar tour back in 2014 which was very positively received by those who travelled with me. Among other places, we will visit Cappadocia, some of the sites of church communities mentioned in the Book of Revelation, Kusadasi, Ephesus (including Mary's House), and Gallipoli, a special place for Australians. Of course, many other places are on the agenda. At this stage, the tour is planned for **08 - 21 October**, with an optional six-day extension to Greece also possible. The Turkey pilgrimage is expected to cost around \$7800 per person, including flights, hotels, meals and tours with a guide, etc.

If this sounds like something that interests you, please let me know via email at dean@stpatscathedral.com.au or catch up with me in person. There are some flyers in the narthex if you would like a hard copy.



Planned Giving

We warmly invite all parishioners to review and, if needed, update their Planned Giving contributions. Planned Giving is an important way we support the mission, ministries, and future needs of our parish community together.

The majority of Planned Giving contributions to the parish are now made through the Parish App, and we encourage you to consider this option as we move forward. Contributions can also continue to be made through parish envelopes or via the parish office.

If you would like assistance or more information, please get in touch with the parish office. Thank you for your support!

Updating Your Credit Card Details for Planned Giving

To update your credit card details, please follow these steps:

- Visit the [St Pat's website](#).
- Click Donate, then click Donate again. You will be redirected to the Pushpay website.
- Select the person icon with the padlock and log in using your mobile number.
- Once logged in, you can update your details by clicking on "Payment Methods" and then select the card details to update/change.

If you need help at any stage, please contact the parish office or coordinator for assistance where you can share with you a detailed "how to guide".

Stay connected with our Parish

Don't forget to download the St Pat's Parish App to receive the latest news, event updates, Mass times, and more - right at your fingertips. If you need help, please contact the parish office.



International Eucharistic Congress (IEC)

A reminder to hold in prayer the IEC, happening right here in Sydney in 2028. The dates have now been confirmed as **24 September to 01 October**.

The Congress is one of the largest gatherings in the life of the Catholic Church. First held in France in the 1880s, it exists to renew the Church's understanding of, and reverence for, the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Every four years a different host city welcomes bishops, clergy, religious and lay pilgrims from every continent for a week of prayer, celebration and public witness - most recently in Quito, Ecuador, in 2024 - and soon, Sydney! Wherever it is held, the Congress leaves a lasting legacy, as local Churches are renewed by returning, with fresh intentionality, to the Eucharist.



PARISH NOTICES

Catholic Mission Appeal

On the weekend of 18 and 19 October, the Cathedral Parish will be supporting the Catholic Mission Appeal.

This year marks 100 years of World Mission Day, a time in which the global Church celebrates God's mission through prayer and generosity.

Today, that mission continues in places like Malawi, where communities are rebuilding after devastating floods and families are striving to create a future for their children.

For Yamikani*, getting to school means walking long distances in pain, often without enough food or strength to make the journey. For many families in vulnerable and remote areas like rural Malawi, education has become an impossible choice.

But there is hope. Led by Fr Matthew Semba, a new primary school is being built, offering children a safe place to learn, grow, and look ahead with renewed possibility.

This World Mission Month, you are invited to share in this mission, standing with families as they rebuild their lives and create a brighter future for their children.

**Name changed for privacy*

Through your prayers and support, you are part of this mission, helping to ensure that no child is left behind.

To learn more about Catholic Mission and our work, please go to catholicmission.org.au/united.



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Reach out. Give life.

A River City Christmas

Songs of light from around the world, featuring music in Ukrainian, Hindi, Tagalog and more...

River City Voices presents a "Christmas" program like no other. Join us for a celebration of the music, languages and traditions that make the festive season in Parramatta vibrant and unique.

Led and programmed by Lanneke Jones, River City Voices, will perform a varied, lively and beautiful program of music drawn from the cultures, languages and people of River City Voices and Parramatta. This is a celebration of the many festive traditions that all live and thrive in our wonderful city.

River City Christmas: Peace and Light draws on music as varied as Bach to Australian Composer Ruth McCall, Britten to works in Ukrainian, Arabic and Hindi all celebrating what it is to live, celebrate and sing in Parramatta. Performed in the sublime acoustic of St Patrick's Cathedral join us to celebrate what makes Christmas in Parramatta unlike anywhere else.

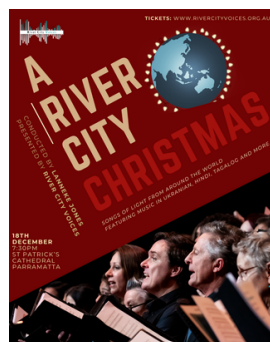
A River City Christmas

18 December @ 7:30pm

St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

Tickets Available:

www.rivercityvoices.org.au



Alpha 26 Intake 2 has begun *but we really need your help!*

Here are some ways you can help:

- 1. Prayer:** Please pray for our guests and our team, every Wednesday at 6:45pm
- 2. Food Providers:** If you can cook, you can help.
- 3. Service Team:** We have a small team of people that support by setting up the room, serving the food and clearing up afterwards - extra pair of hands always welcome.
- 4. Dollars:** Food, retreats etc. all cost money. Donations will really help.

Just click this QR code and fill in which way you would like to help. Alternatively contact the parish office and let them know.

Volunteer

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DIOCESAN NOTICES

Annual Marian Procession at Our Lady of the Rosary, Kellyville: 10 October

The Marian Procession is a special parish celebration honouring Our Lady of the Rosary, the Patroness of our parish and community.

Following the 6:00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, 10 October, parishioners will process from Our Lady of the Rosary Church to the Shrine of the Franciscan Shrine of the Holy Innocents, Kellyville, praying the Rosary and singing Marian hymns.

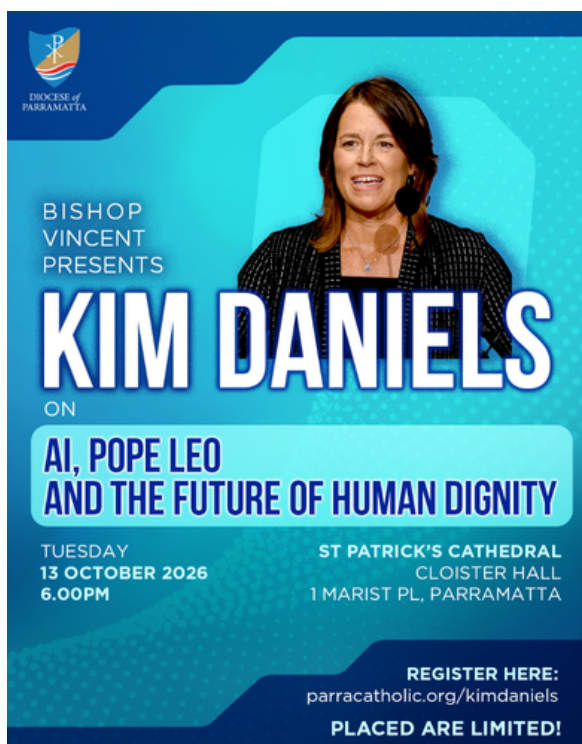


Bishop Vincent Presents: Kim Daniels on 'AI, Pope Leo and the future of human dignity': 13 October

Join us on 13 October at 6:00pm to hear from one of the Church's foremost experts on Catholic Social Thought and its importance in the age of artificial intelligence.

A lawyer by training, Ms Daniels served for 10 years as a member of the Vatican Dicastery for Communication until 2026, and during the Synod on Synodality from 2021-2024 was an expert participant and coordinator of the study group that focused on the Church's mission in the digital age.

Registration is essential, visit parracatholic.org/kim-daniels



Rosary Making Workshops: Next on 15 October

Come along for a fun evening of community and crafting rosary beads that will then be donated to the sick and dying in hospitals across our Diocese. The craft evening will be held on the following days: 15 October, 05 November. Costs are \$5 per person – payable on arrival (includes all materials). To register and for more information, please visit parracatholic.org/rosary-workshops



2026 LIFTED Live in the Forecourt: 24 October

All are welcome to St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta on Saturday, 24 October for LIFTED Live in the Forecourt 2026. Join hundreds of young people and families for a Youth Mass at 6:00pm followed by festivities in the forecourt.

Encounter the variety of talent and passion of Western Sydney and Blue Mountains, with live performances, inflatable games, small businesses, adoration and more. Register by visiting parracatholic.org/lifted-live



DIOCESAN NOTICES

Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass: 15 November

Join us for the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass to be held on Sunday 15 November at 2:30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, followed by afternoon tea. Those celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate. If you would like to attend, please register your full names, years married, and numbers attending via parracatholic.org/events/wedding-anniversary-mass by 6 November.



Please include full names, years of marriage & number of family attending.

WYD27 Songwriting Competition: Submissions close 16 December

Young people of the Diocese of Parramatta, we want your original song to inspire our pilgrims on their journey to World Youth Day! Open to individuals or groups aged 16–35. All musical genres welcome. Find out more and submit your song via our WYD27 website: parrawyd.org



Catholic Outlook Magazine out now | Season of Creation & Spring Edition 2026

The latest Catholic Outlook magazine is out now, keeping you connected with news and events across the Diocese of Parramatta.

Inside this edition, you'll find: Celebrating the Special Year of Saint Francis, our Papal and Diocesan award winners, why St Francis' message is right for our time, a profile on the new Parish of the Upper Blue Mountains ... and much more. Pick up a copy at your local parish or read online at catholicoutlook.org/e-edition



Design our next Catholic Outlook magazine front cover!

Once again, we're inviting people of all ages from across the Diocese of Parramatta to design the front cover of the Catholic Outlook Magazine's Christmas and Summer 2026 edition.

This year's theme invites artists to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas in light of the Jubilee of St Francis. At Christmas, we celebrate the birth of Jesus, God's gift of love and salvation to the world.

Please share this competition with your parish community. Entries must be submitted by Friday 06 November – with a short description of the artwork - via parracatholic.org/artcomp

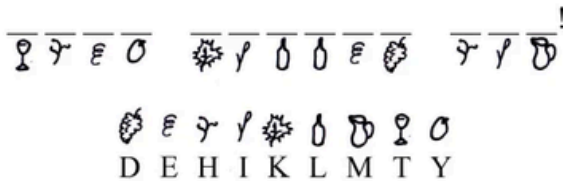


The Kids' Bulletin

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4th, 2026



What did the bad tenants do when the owner's son came to get the produce?
Use the code below to find out.



The Evil Tenants Word-Find



Find the words that are in CAPITALS in the puzzle and use the left-over letters to fill in the blanks:

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EVINEYARDSW
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EZATSUECAEE
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SOICOMESSNE
OWNERKILLED

Jesus told this PARABLE: There was a landowner who planted a VINEYARD and built a tower and a WINE PRESS. When he went away, he LEASED it to tenants. In time, he sent SERVANTS to get his PRODUCE, but the tenants BEAT one, killed one, and STONED another. The man sent more servants, but the TENANTS did the same thing AGAIN. Finally, he sent his SON, thinking that they would RESPECT him at least. But the tenants saw the son coming and said, "Here comes the HEIR. If we kill him we can get his INHERITANCE!" So they SEIZED him, THREW him out and KILLED him too!

Jesus asked, "What will the land OWNER do when he COMES?"

The people said, "Put the tenants to DEATH and lease the vineyard to tenants who WILL pay."

Tenants of the Vineyard

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the parable of the vineyard that was leased out to tenants. When the owner's servants came to collect the pay, the tenants beat them. When the owner sent his son, they killed the son because they thought they would be able to take the vineyard if the son was dead.



This story is about God's people. For hundreds of years God cared for His people, leaving leaders in charge. But when He sent His Son Jesus, the leaders did not respect Him. In fact, they killed Him on the cross! God's people were like the vineyard and the leaders were like the tenants who killed the son.

In a way your life is like a vineyard too. God has given it to you and cared for you all your life. When God wants you to do something for Him, you have the choice of doing what He asks or being like the bad tenants and refusing. Whenever we don't do what is right, we are offending Jesus. But you don't want to be like those bad tenants, do you? Make sure that everything you do is for God!



Answer to Word-Find: They killed him.
Answer to Word-Find: God sent His Son.

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Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska October 5



OUR LORD USED SAINT FAUSTINA, WHO HAD BEEN A SIMPLE COUNTRY GIRL, TO TEACH THE WHOLE WORLD ABOUT HIS GREAT MERCY. SHE WROTE WHAT HAPPENED IN HER VISIONS IN NOTEBOOKS. ONE OF THE GREATEST PRAYERS THAT JESUS GAVE HER WAS THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

We pray for...

Sick: Hamish J Pereira, Heidi Mezzano, Denmark P Bautista, Leon Nacson, Roberto Oleas, Nelson & Noelia Villada, Miguel Soto Figueroa, Orlando Chiang, Karla Villafana, Terry O'Brien, Christopher Mosely, Val Kirk, Christopher Doughty, Ana Castro, Melinda Abelardo, Bienvenido Peres Jr, Charles Dickins, Marica Senjak, Noelia Narciso, Sonia Villada, Fr Bob Bossini, Esther Alchiruth, Hilda Villada, Priscilla Newman, Sebastiao Bugo, Sharon Webb, Silvana Rechichi

Special Intentions: Fatima Rodricks, Raveen, Noel, Marilie, Marielle, Tharindu, Jeevanee, Isuru, Sandunika, Ariyaratne, Savithri, Edward Yin, Betsy Kaniman, Aaron Duffy, Hilda Pais, Melanie Lovett, Pauline Chia, Jocelyn, N. Raphael Rodriguez, Ankica Senjak, John & Aida, Nida & Erlic De Noroha, Michael Falzon, Rita & Cesare Paolini, Nikola Senjak

Recently Deceased: Mouhib Ayoub, Kevin Stoneham, Borislav, Roberto Mamaril, Clem Gallagher, Roberto Oleas, Hayden Panettiere, Malaekkal Thomas, Perinchery Joy, Romeo Cagujas, Jung Hun (Yagobo) Suh, Reuben Diast

Deceased: John Rocha, Lucy D'Mello, Sr Maria, Y T Hsu, Romeo D'Souza, Lily Hoope, Nazar Nissan, Lewis Nissan, Charlie & Gabriel Assaf, Mary Joyce, Estrella T Manuel, Mary D'Mello, Christine Vas, Philip Vas, Leit Vas

Anniversaries: Dr Chander Singh, Aleksei Chijoff, Isabelle Farah, Randolph Johnson, Tony Thottan, Dorothy Revelman, Dora Kirk, Francisco P Kiat-Ong, Guise Trong, Maria Lang, Catherine Deveros, Johannus Lelyveld, Juan Montesco,

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BAPTISMS



We welcome into our Catholic Christian family the following children recently baptised here...

Maya Celeste Alimangohan

WEDDINGS



We pray for the following couple recently married here...

Sarah Cheshier and James Lyons

POPE LEO'S...

Prayer Intention for October



For mental health ministry

"Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses."

From Pope Leo...

*"X" post dated
30 September*

"Just as Notre-Dame Cathedral was restored, so too is the Church in France being renewed. This is particularly noticeable in the enthusiasm of the young people and the increased number of baptisms."

Saints of the Week

05 October - **Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos (1819 - 1867)**, Priest

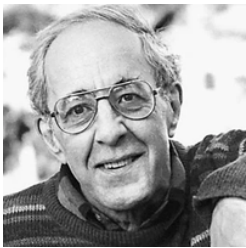
He was born in Füssen, in Bavaria, in what is now Germany, on 11 January 1819. He entered the diocesan seminary. Coming to know the charism of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, joined it and was sent to North America. He was ordained a priest in 1844.

He began his pastoral ministry in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania as assistant pastor of his confrère St John Neumann, serving also as Master of Novices and dedicating himself to preaching. He became a full-time itinerant missionary preacher, preaching in both English and German in a number of different states. He died in New Orleans, Louisiana, on 4 October 1867.



Information: Universalis

"Quote of the Week"



"Dear Lord, I will remain restless, tense, and dissatisfied until I can be totally at peace in your house...There is no certainty that my life will be any easier in the years ahead, or that my heart will be any calmer. But there is the certainty that you are waiting for me and will welcome me home when I have persevered in my long journey to your house."

Henri Nouwen
(1932 - 1996)
Priest and Spiritual Writer

Did You Know...?

...that October is traditionally regarded as the month to lend a special focus to the Rosary?

The feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated each year on 07 October. This feast recalls the time when the Christian forces defeated the Turkish fleet at the famous Battle of Lepanto on the first Sunday in October 1571. This ended the Muslim domination of the Mediterranean and was ascribed to the prayers and processions of the Rosary confraternity in Rome. Because the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary occurred in October, it was natural to extend the promotion and praying of the rosary to the whole month of October.



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