# **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Year C Sunday, 13th July 2025

# Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 16:15

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

## First Reading Deuteronomy 30:10-14 A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

The word of the Lord

# **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. R. see v.33

#### (R.) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

- This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
- As for me in my poverty and pain let your help, O God, lift me up. I will praise God's name with a song; I will glorify him with thanksgiving. (R.)
- 3. The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains. (R.)
- 4. For God will bring help to Zion and rebuild the cities of Judah.

  The sons of his servants shall inherit it; those who love his name shall dwell there. (R.)

## **Second Reading** Colossians 1:15-20 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

All things were created through him and for him.

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is it head.

As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

#### The Word of the Lord

# Gospel Acclamation See John 6:63. 68

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

# Gospel Luke 10:25-37

# A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Who is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

The Gospel of the Lord

# Communion Antiphon Cf Psalm 83:4-5

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

# St. Laurence O'Toole, Leongatha and St. Joseph's, Korumburra

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#### WEEKEND MASSES

LeongathaKorumburraSaturday5.30pmSunday 9.30amSunday11.00am

#### Tarwin Lower

Mass— Mass on Saturday before 3rd Sunday at 4.00pm

Liturgy with H/C Saturday 4pm before 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Sunday.

#### Mirboo Nth

Mass— Mass 1st Sunday at 4.00pm Liturgy with H/C 9.30 Sunday 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th

#### Meeniyan

Mass— Mass Saturday before 2nd & 4th Sunday at 4.00pm

Liturgy with H/C 9.30am on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday's

#### Weekday Mass or Liturgy of the Word and **Holy Communion Times KORUMBURRA** Wednesday Mass 9.30am LEONGATHA **Tuesday** Mass 5.00pm Thursday 9.30am Mass **Friday** Mass 9.30am

#### **RECONCILIATION TIMES**

**Leongatha:** Friday after 9.30am Mass & before 5.30pm

Mass on Saturday.

**Korumburra:** Sun before 9.30am Mass

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

Recently Deceased: Mary Finlay

**Anniversaries:** Anthony Mounsey, Victor Ryan The deceased Clergy of the Diocese of Sale

Eternal rest grant unto them , O Lord, and let perpetual light

shine upon them. May they rest in peace."

Sick: Helen Cameron, David Whiteside

PARISH ROSTERS

LEONGATHA: 19th July 20th July

Flowers: E Stephens

Cleaning: E Stephens/L Dal Santo Henshall
Greeting: M Patterson J Schelling
Reader: T Bourke S Seabrook
Special Minister: S Fraser G Bolge

**KORUMBURRA:** 

27/7 Cleaning: V&T Ferrone20/7 Greeter: B Fowles

July

Reader: P McKillop Commentator A Whiteside

Special Minister Denise, Maree, Anthony

Laundry: D'Souza Family Flowers: Jackson Family

### The Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Laurence O'Toole Church Leongatha
Saturday: Before 5.30 pm Mass—5.00pm
Sunday: Before 11am Mass—10.30am

We are a child safe parish. Any children, young persons and adults at risk have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Parish Child Safety Officers. They can be contacted through the Parish Office. Telephone 03 56 622 020



# OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD St Laurence's Parish: Stewardship envelope: \$730.00 Stewardship cash (1st offering) \$406.35 Presbytery (2nd offering) \$758.15 EFT June 25 \$5,513.15 St Joseph's Parish Stewardship envelope: \$ N/A

 ${\it Thank you for your contributions, they are greatly appreciated.}$ 

Stewardship cash (1st offering)

Presbytery (2nd offering)

June 25 EFT

#### **Newcomers or Update Details**

Welcome and thanks for worshipping with us at Korumburra and Leongatha Parishes.

If you are new to the Parish or have changed your details or need Thanksgiving Envelopes, please complete your details and drop the form on a Collection plate or drop off to the Parish Office.

Name:Address:
Phone:Email:
New Parishioner □ Change of Address or Phone # □ Thanksgiving: Envelopes □ or Electronically □



# REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate The Neighbourliness of Global Citizens

The lawyer asked a self-serving question: 'Who is my neighbour?' He could then set the limits, the boundaries of those close enough to merit his concern. Jesus replies with a story to show that the better question is: 'To whom should I be neighbourly?'

The answer is: To any person who is wounded in any way – physically, psychologically, socially, economically. And we have to do so overcoming the labelling, even bigotry, which can conveniently put a person outside the range of our concern. When we act like the Samaritan, we deserve the title 'Catholic' which means universal.

Pope Francis said that Christ is constantly inviting us, as he invited Thomas, to touch His wounds which are to be found in the wounded of our own time.

We could pause for a moment to thank God that we live in an age of technology which can enable us to be truly Catholic global citizens practising Mercy Without Borders. 'Do this and you will live.'

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## 2025 St Joseph's & St Laurence's Sacramental Dates (Korumburra Host Parish)

N/A

N/A

\$ 1,131.00

Eucharist Sacramental Celebratory Liturgy for families of	Korumburra 27 July 2025 at 9.30am
Grade 4 students	Leongatha 26 July 2025 at 5.30pm
	Leongatha 27 July 2025 at 11.00am
Confirmation Parent and Child Workshop for families of	Thursday, 24 July at 5:30pm
Grade 6 students	St Joseph's Primary School
Confirmation Sacramental Celebratory Liturgy for families of	Thursday, 21st August 2025 at 5:00pm
Grade 6 students	St Joseph's Korumburra

# Parish/Diocese News

St Vinnies Winter Appeal will be held on the weekend of 19th & 20th July 2025

**Fr Stanly** will be offering a training session for all current and new Readers and Special Ministers for both Parishes at St Laurence's on Thursday 17th July at 5pm or Saturday 19th July at midday. The session will run for approximately 1 hour 15 mins.

**Altar Server Training** will be held at St Laurence's Church Leongatha on Wednesday 30th July at 4.00pm. All students must be accompanied by an adult.

**Mother of God** Pilgrimage—Journey together this Jubilee Year and meet at Medjugorge Sept 30 –Oct 11 2025. 12 Days 11 nights in Medjugorge. Explore apparition site with a guide. Daily Mass. Closing date 22nd Aug 2025. For more details contact Maree Gobel 0457 744 122 email mv.gobel@bigpond.com

**Stay Updated on Diocesan Events:** There are many **exciting events** happening across our **Diocese!** Stay informed and up to date by visiting the **Diocesan Events Page**. It's a great resource to find details on upcoming celebrations, gatherings, and important dates. **Visit:** <a href="https://www.cdsale.org.au/events">https://www.cdsale.org.au/events</a>

Save the Date—Ladies Retreat with Fr Martin Dixon will be held at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Inverloch on Monday 20th October 2025 10am-3pm. Please bring a shared lunch. Tea & Coffee Provided

#### **LEONGATHA PARISH:**

Gospel Reflection Group meets on Mondays during the school term from 1.30-3pm in the Parish Centre. This is a small friendly group that reads the coming Sundays Gospel then discusses and relates it to their everyday life, finishing with a cuppa. Everyone is most welcome.

Wednesday Adoration and Prayer: we invite you to come and join our Hour of Prayer on Wednesdays 11 to 12 noon in St Laurence's church. We will say the Rosary and sing hymns but there will be lots of time for quiet personal prayer where you can just sit with the Lord or read the Scripture, etc.

St Laurence's Mothers' Prayer Group - prayer group for those wanting to pray for their children, grand-children or nieces and nephews etc. To be held after 9.30 Mass on the second Friday of the month in the Parish Centre. You are most welcome to join this group united in prayer to save our children.

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#### **KORUMBURRA PARISH:**

**Cuppa** after mass first Sunday of the Month

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