

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sunday, 27th July 2025

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 67:6-7,36

God is in his holy place,
God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First Reading Genesis 18:20-32

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3

(R.) Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. **(R.)**
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of affliction
you give me life and frustrate my foes. **(R.)**

4. You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. **(R.)**

Second Reading Colossians 2:12-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Romans 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.
Alleluia.

Gospel Luke 11:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

'Father, may your name be held holy,
your kingdom come;
give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.
And do not put us to the test.'

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord

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

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WEEKEND MASSES

Leongatha

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 11.00am

Korumburra

Sunday 9.30am

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
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LEONGATHA

Tuesday	Mass	5.00pm
Thursday	Mass	9.30am
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: Anne Boothman

Anniversaries: Salvatore Occhipinti, Myrtle Demspsey, Alison 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: Neeson Johnson, Helen Cameron, David Whiteside

For the Students receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend.

PARISH ROSTERS

LEONGATHA:

Flowers:	Shirleyanne Wright	
Cleaning:	L&S Augustine	
Greeting:	M Murphy	S Cannata
Reader:	E Sherriff	G Mounsey
Special Minister:	A Hemming	S Seabrook

KORUMBURRA:

10/8	Cleaning:	A&L D'Souza
3/8	Greeter:	T Parisi

August

Reader:	D Jackson
Commentator	F Fowles
Special Minister	J Rattle
Laundry:	A Whiteside
Flowers:	M Trewin

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

Eucharistic Adoration

As a diocese, let us pray together to
the Lord of the Harvest for more
vocations



2nd August

11:00AM-12:00 Noon
St. Mary's Cathedral,
Sale

10th August

3:00PM- 4:00PM
St. Thomas the Apostle
Church, Clyde North.

 Catholic Diocese of Sale

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

St Laurence's Parish:

Stewardship envelope:	\$860.00
Stewardship cash (1st offering)	\$495.65
Presbytery (2nd offering)	\$726.65

St Joseph's Parish for 6 & 13 July

Stewardship envelope:	\$329.00
Stewardship cash (1st offering)	\$155.55
Presbytery (2nd offering)	\$246.60

Thank you for your contributions, they are greatly appreciated.

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 ☐

JUBILEE OF PRAYER GROUPS



Saturday 16th August 2025

Our Lady Star of the Sea

(16-18 Scarborough Street Inverloch)

3:00 pm-4:00 pm

Stations of the Cross, Rosary and Exposition,
Benediction & Cuppa

St Joseph's

(27-29 Dowling Street, Wonthaggi)

5:00 pm-6:00 pm

Prayer Group displays, 6pm Night
Prayer of Church, 6:30pm Mass

Pilgrims are invited to begin their pilgrimage at Inverloch with the Rosary and Stations of the Cross, before continuing on to Wonthaggi for the 6:30 pm Mass.

RSVP, 13th August at 56721111 or Wonthaggi@cdsale.org.au

Vocation Prayer 2025

HEAVENLY FATHER, Lord of the harvest, we earnestly ask you to bless our diocese and the Church with many priests, deacons and religious who will love you fervently, and gladly and courageously live their lives in service to your Son's Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Bless our families and parishes that we may be given the grace and strength to live our baptismal vocation to be holy, as You are. Bless us that we will respond to your invitation to be living witnesses and disciples of hope as we discern our life in your son, Jesus Christ.

Bless young men and women to respond openly and generously to your invitation to become ministers of your Word and Sacraments, or to serve You faithfully in the covenant of Marriage, or the dignity of single life.

Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation.

AMEN

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

Confirmation Sacramental Celebratory Liturgy for families of
Grade 6 students

Thursday, 21st August 2025 at 5:00pm
St Joseph's Korumburra

Parish/Diocese News

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.

Cluster Meeting for RCIA Teams will be held at the Leongatha Parish Centre on Tuesday 29th July from 1-2.30pm. Joan Robertson, Diocesan Co-ordinator, will be attending and there will be discussion of how each Parish presents its RCIA program.

All Team members and interested parishioners are invited.

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:** <https://www.cdsale.org.au/events>

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

Josephite Companions Mass at Mary MacKillop College 9.15am 8th August 2025 for the Feas day of Mary MacKillop. Please sign in at the Office before the Mass. Followed by meeting at Brent Sinclairs 47 McCartins Street Leongatha . For all enquires please contact Mary Patterson 0428 622 099

God's Ecumenical Men Servants meet on Wed 6th Aug 6.30pm at RSL (Dinner) Speaker -Niel Breeden on History of Local area. More information contact Sam Nicita 0447 205 434

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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