



Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C - Sunday, 31st August 2025

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 85:3,5

Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I cry to you all the day long.
O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of mercy to all who call to you.

First Reading Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

Humble yourself and you will find favour with the Lord.

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business,
and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.
The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly,
and then you will find favour with the Lord;
for great though the power of the Lord is,
he accepts the homage of the humble.
There is no cure for the proud man's malady,
since an evil growth has taken root in him.
The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables,
an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 67:4-7, 10-11. R. v.11

(R.) God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
they shall exult and dance for joy.
O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. **(R.)**
2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,
such is God in his holy place.
God gives the lonely a home to live in;
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. **(R.)**
3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain:
when your people were starved you gave them new
life. It was there that your people found a home,
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. **(R.)**

Second Reading Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

You have to come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God.

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses:
not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or
a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking
which made everyone that heard it beg that no more
should be said to them. But what you have come to is
Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly
Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for
the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a
'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to
God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with
spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to
Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 11:29

Alleluia, alleluia!
Take my yoke upon you;
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 14:1, 7-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*All who exalt themselves shall be humbled and all who
humble themselves shall be exalted.*

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house
of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him
closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had
noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said
this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do
not take your seat in the place of honour. A more
distinguished person than you may have been invited, and
the person who invited you both may come and say,
"Give up your place to this man." And then, to your
embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest
place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the
lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes,
he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way,
everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For
everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the
man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a din-
ner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich
neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting
you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor,
the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you
back means that you are fortunate, because repayment
will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Communion Antiphon Psalm 30:20

How great is the goodness, Lord,
that you keep for those who fear you.



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
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Thursday	Parish Mass	5.00pm
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Friday	Parish/Class Mass	9.30am
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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Recently Deceased: Helga Hannon

Anniversaries: Marie Kindellan, Patrick Bowler Snr, Rose Bowler, Arthur Walsh

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: Pina Materia, Fr Michael Willemsen, Helen Cameron, David Whiteside

PARISH ROSTERS

LEONGATHA:

Flowers:

Cleaning:

Greeting:

Reader:

Special Minister:

Cuppa after Mass

6th Sep

Shirleyanne Wright

K Battersby/J Walsh

R Yates

P&J Charles

S Fraser

A Hemming

G Mounsey

M Murphy

E Stephens

7th Sep

A Vaughan

J Schelling

S Seabrook

M Holloway

K Joseph

K Joseph

H Holloway

KORUMBURRA:

7/9 Cleaning: B Hosking/M Barrett

7/9 Greeter: J Loughnan
September

Reader: K Loughnan

Commentator F Preston

Special Minister Maree, Frank, D'Souza Family

Laundry: M Trewin

Flowers: A Whiteside

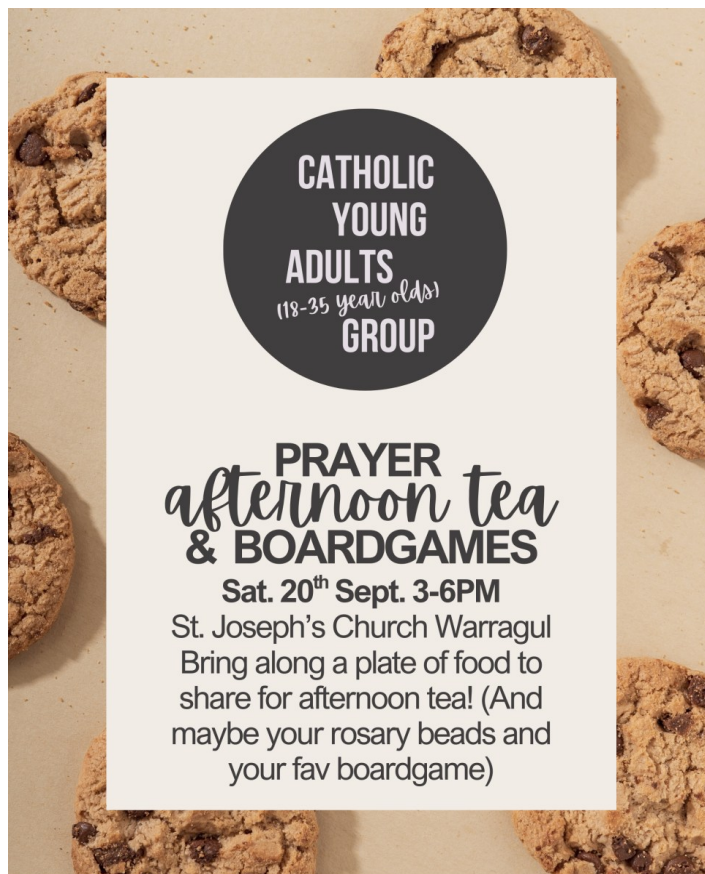
The Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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



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

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

St Laurence's Parish:

Stewardship envelope:	\$620.00
Stewardship cash (1st offering)	\$516.80
Presbytery (2nd offering)	\$602.25

St Joseph's Parish

Stewardship envelope:	\$141.00
Stewardship cash (1st offering)	\$207.45
Presbytery (2nd offering)	\$309.25

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 ☐



St Joseph's Parish Wonthaggi

Ladies Retreat

Presenter: Fr Martin Dixon

**Held at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church
Inverloch**

Monday 20th October 2025 10am – 3pm

Please bring a shared lunch
Tea & Coffee Provided

For more information contact Mary Nadler 567401367 or email marynadler1@gmail.com

Parish/Diocese News

Father's Day Appeal for the Priest' Welfare Foundation of The Diocese of Sale: Special Collection will be held on the weekend of 6th/7th Sep 25. This fund supports the priests and deacons of our Diocese in times of sickness or retirement. At present the Foundation is supporting nine priests and three deacons and their wives in retirement and is responsible for the other priests, including our overseas priests, and deacons in time of sickness. The budgeted expenditure of the Foundation for them over the next year will be over \$200,000. This includes wages for a clergy care nurse (two days per week equivalent).

Online donations can now be made at <https://www.cdsale.org.au/priestswelfarefoundation> The foundation is most appreciative of your support for our priests and deacons in sickness and retirement. All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible and a receipt for tax deduction purposes will be automatically sent if an email address is provided. Donations may also be made through your local Parish.

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>

God's Ecumenical Men Servants next meeting will be held on 3rd September, 2025 7.30pm at St Laurence's Parish Centre. Speaker Ken Caithness will speak on various areas. For more information please 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.

To subscribe to the weekly bulletin please use the link to join. <https://www.catholicparish.app/subscription?id=001OI00000B2zMFAZ&req=subscribe>

Safeguarding Note:

It is great to have children attend Mass and being social and playful after church however, parents please be vigilant in keeping an eye on your children playing around the building after Mass especially in the early evening when dark.



RCIA INFORMATION EVENING (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith?

Has someone in your family or group of friends expressed an interest in God and wondered what a difference faith can make in their life?

Perhaps you have been baptised but haven't received any other Sacraments?

If so RCIA could help answer some of your questions. **Come & See!**

An **RCIA Information Night** for Leongatha & Korumburra Parishes will be held on Thursday **September 11th**, 7.30pm at St Laurence's Parish Centre Leongatha.

This is followed by 5wks of Inquiry Sessions that give a basic overview of the Catholic Faith.

For those who are interested to go still further, this leads into a longer process that prepares people for entering the Catholic Church at Easter.

You are free to stop at any stage of the process.

For further information phone Parish Secretary - Ann Hemming 56622020

KORUMBURRA PARISH:

Cuppa after mass first Sunday of the Month

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