

IN THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL WE PRAY FOR:

Our Sick: Those of our community.

Recently Deceased:

Repose of the Souls: Those whose anniversary occur about this time and those whose names are on the memorial wall.

Church
Cleaning

Saturday 3rd October— Spanish Community

Safeguarding of children and vulnerable young people.

St Dominic's Community holds the care, safety and wellbeing of children as a fundamental responsibility of the church. This commitment is drawn from, and inherent to, the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and dignity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel. A cultural of safety within the Church ensures that children can actively and fully participate in the life of the Church and realise their potential in a faith community. **We are committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person and ensuring that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church.**

For those families with children, they are very welcome, and if your children become unrest during the celebration of the Holy Eucharistic, please use the Children Room on the side of the church, you can still listen to the homily from there.

THANKSGIVING OFFERING ONLINE TO: ST DOMINIC'S CHURCH BSB: 083 347 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 67441 1404

PLEASE TYPE YOUR THANKSGIVING
ENVELOPE NUMBER WHEN YOU DO
THE TRANSACTION.

The Parish has the facility of
**EFTPOS DEBIT, VISA CARD
and MASTER CARD.** This is a
good option for those who do
not carry cash and would like
to contribute to the church.
**The set up is of: \$5.00;
\$10.00; \$20.00 and \$50.00**

NEXT SALE OF FOOD—SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER

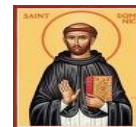
LED BY VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY.

COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE 2026

In October we will start collecting the books and money. Thank you!

**Next Sunday—Baptism Information Preparation
At 3.00pm in the church for Parents and Godparents.**

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PARISH MASS TIMES

Sundays: 6.00pm Vigil Mass (Saturday evening)
9.00am 1st & 3rd Sundays: Vietnamese Mass
9.00am 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays: English Mass
11.00am: English Mass
1.00pm: Spanish Mass

Weekdays: Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am Mass

Morning Prayer of the Church: Tuesday to Saturday at 8.25am

Rosary: Tuesday to Sunday before Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Wednesday from 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Benediction: Every Friday following the 9.00am Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday to Saturday before or after Mass.

Baptism Information/Preparation: Every First Sunday of the month at 3.00pm.

Anointing of the Sick: Every Third Wednesday of the Month at 9.00am Mass.



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A 27th September 2026

First Reading: Ezekiel 18: 25-28

The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24: 4-9

R/ Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 1- 11

In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28 – 32

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will
precede you into the kingdom of God.

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS: Isaiah 5: 1-7; Philippians 4: 6-9; Matthew 21: 33-43

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

In every life there is a struggle between obedience and disobedience, and this struggle takes various twists and turns. At times we are willing to conform to regulations set from the outside, and at times we are not. We are invited to choose in favour of the reign of God, or we are free to ignore the invitation. Those who are fundamentally righteous sometimes fall from grace, and people considered evil to the core sometimes reform their lives. What ultimately counts are not the promises made, but the actions taken.

We are called to discipleship, and there may well be urgency in this call, but it is an invitation that is to be accepted freely. As is the case with life itself, options are placed before us all the way along the road. We are invited to choose in favour of the reign of God, or we are free to ignore the invitation. However, the invitation always remains open to us, because God's desire for our acceptance is persistent and enduring.

The real choice set before us today is the imitation of Christ. The specific characteristic of Christ today is his humility. Since demanding one's rights can undermine the loving quality of community, Jesus' humility is offered for our imitation. It is very clear that whichever aspect of discipleship we examine, some aspect of community is also present. To be a disciple of Jesus is to follow him humbly as a member of a believing community.

SEASON OF CREATION REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

In today's parable where a son said yes but did nothing, Jesus offers a striking indictment of empty lip-service. In our age, one of the Church's most insistent calls has been for people to work for the protection of the vineyard of the earth. Speaking of climate change, deforestation and chemical pollution, Pope Saint John Paul II declared in 1990 'that the ecological crisis is a moral issue' and called on all people to 'recognise their obligation to contribute to the restoration of a healthy environment'. In 2009 Pope Benedict XVI insisted that 'technologically advanced societies can and must lower their domestic energy consumption'. In 2015 Pope Francis called on all of humanity 'to recognise the need for changes of lifestyle, production and consumption, in order to combat this warming' of the world's climate which we are currently facing.

Successive Popes have therefore called us all to work for the protection of our planet and its people. But it is up to every Christian to ensure that these words are not just empty rhetoric.

Daylight Saving: Sunday, October 4, 2026, at 2:00 AM
(clocks moved forward 1 hour to 3:00)

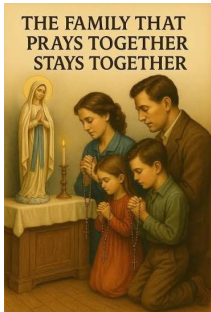


October is The Month of the Holy Rosary

The feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary is 7 October.
The month of October each year is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. It was instituted to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary.
The Rosary as a form of prayer was given to St Dominic (1170-1221) by Mary, the Mother of Our Lord, who entrusted it to him as an aid in the conflicts with the Albigensians. The Dominican pope, St Pius V, worked to further the spread of the Rosary and it became one of the most popular devotions in Christendom. It was the same Pope St Pius V, who in 1569, formally approved the Rosary in its present form with the Papal Bull, *Consueverunt Romani Pontifices*. It had been completed by the addition of the second half of the "Hail Mary" and the "Glory be to the Father" at the conclusion of each mystery.
The Rosary is primarily a scriptural prayer. This can be summarised by the traditional phrase used by Pope Pius XII (papacy: 1939-1958) that the Rosary is "a compendium of the entire Gospel" (AAS 38 [1946] p. 419). The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centred on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption.

Strengthening Family Bonds

Praying the Rosary together creates a sacred time for family members to put down phones, walk away from computers, and simply be with each other. In a world where we are often pulled in different directions by work, school, social media, and life's obligations, setting aside time for collective prayer fosters unity and togetherness. Not only that, but studies suggest that communal prayer and meditation may increase oxytocin—the 'feel-good' hormone that promotes bonding.



Reducing Stress and Promoting Inner Peace

Scientific studies suggest that meditative prayer reduces stress, anxiety, and emotional turmoil. The repetitive, rhythmic nature of the Rosary has a calming effect, helping family members manage stress in healthy ways. Praying together fosters a peaceful home environment, replacing tension and worry with a collective trust in Jesus.

**DURING THE MONTH OF OCTUBER EVERY MONDAY
AT 6.30PM THE PARISH WILL BE PRAYING THE HOLY
ROSARY WITH ALL COMMUNITIES
FOR ALL OUR INTENTIONS. PLEASE JOIN US.**