



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 16 November 2025



Readings for
this week:

Malachi 3:19-20
2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
Luke 21:5-19



Readings for
next Sunday:

2 Samuel 5:1-3
Colossians 1:12-20
Luke 23:35-43



Liturgical Jottings

Liturgy and Imagination II

Such Liturgical Imagination requires all human resources, its faculties, its whole history, its whole life and heritage. All of these are brought to bear upon the concrete world inside and outside of oneself. It forms images of the world, and so find it, cope with it, shape it, even make it. Within the liturgical act imagination becomes a power of the human mind and spirit to reconstruct reality: to liberate from bondage, to transform one's image of oneself, and to reshape the way the world sees itself. Within the liturgical act imagination brings new life to the human spirit, and in so doing, can change persons, relationships, and indeed the course of human history itself. *Fink, Peter, The New Dictionary of Sacramental Worship, The Liturgical Press 2000*

Imaginative creativity is never an end in itself, but at the service of a higher reality. *Pope Francis 19/6/22*

Looking at the Readings

Today we read from the Book of Malachi, the last book of the Old Testament and for the second time this year, the other being the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Sunday 2 February. These two days are the only times the book is read on Sundays. The Prophet Malachi is also the last prophet before John the Baptist of the New Testament. Malachi bridges the two Testaments and predicts the return of the prophet Elijah to announce the coming of the Lord (3:23-24, first reading 23 December). The reading is timely and somewhat ambiguous. The Prophets of old saw the coming of God as both a day of wrath, of judgment and of darkness, but also a day of peace, light and completion. Rather than a warning the prophet Malachi's words serve as encouragement and healing.

Similarly in the apocalyptic passage in the Gospel of Luke, Jesus speaks of the coming of God in mystery and with dangers and betrayals but also of opportunity, wisdom and endurance that he gives to his followers together with the reward of everlasting life. We seem to be in the mix, whether in confusion or enlightenment because of the circumstances of the world in which we live and the events and relationships that shape our personal lives. The final words of the responsory psalm bring us comfort and hope: "For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness." Ps 97:9

Prayer for the Week

Lord God, as Christ assumed at his first coming the lowliness of human flesh, and so fulfilled the design you formed long ago, and opened for us the way to eternal salvation, that, when he comes again in glory and majesty and all is at last made manifest, we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which now we dare to hope. Amen. (*Advent Preface 1*)

Quote from *Dilexi Te* of Pope Leo XIV

By its very nature, Christian love is prophetic: it works miracles and knows no limits. It makes what was apparently impossible happen. Love is above all a way of looking at life and a way of living it. A Church that sets no limits to love, that knows no enemies to fight but only men and women to love, is the Church that the world needs today. (4 Oct 2025, n.120).

The Lighter Side of the sun, moon & stars

Copernicus' parents deserve some of the credit for his great discovery. Apparently, at the age of twelve, they asked him: "Copernicus, young man, when are you going to realise that the world does NOT revolve around you?"

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Shane Boyd, Milly Perry, Matt Carver, Olive McElroy, Frances Corso, Philip Bowman, Kady Mitchell-Treacy.

Recently Deceased: Ruby Bignous, Norris Bell

Anniversaries: Phillip Barca, Julie Shaw, Luigi Corso, Allan Baker, Domenico Quattrocchi,
(Please email or contact the Parish Office to add names to our prayer list)

ROSTERS

Saturday 22 November at 6pm

Commentator – L Ratcliffe

Lector – S Carroll

Special Minister – L Busch

Sunday 23 November 8.30am

Commentator – A Shaw

Lector – C Goode

Special Minister – J Chant

Sunday 30 November 8.30am

Commentator – R Chapman

Lector – M Carver

Special Minister – N Livsey

PLATE AND ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Last weekend Collection: \$ 1407.45

Thank you for your generosity and support for our Parish. May God bless you, always.

PARISH DETAILS

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Uday Kumar Marneni ALCP/OSS

PARISH SECRETARY

Vicki Arnel – 0417 147 695

PARISH PASTORAL ASSISTANT

Mary Zobec – 0427 190 282

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St Patrick's Primary - Jackie Stockdale – Phone 5859 0371

MASS TIMES

KYABRAM

Week Day: Tuesday Rosary 4pm, Mass 4.15pm & Thursday 9.15am

Saturday: 2nd and 4th weekend of month: 6pm EDT (5pm EST)

Sunday: 8.30am

TONGALA: First Sunday of month 11.30am

RECONCILIATION: Second Saturday (Weekend) of month 30 mins before Mass in St Augustine's Church.

ANointing MASS: First Thursday of the month at 10am in St Augustine's Church.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR DIARY

NOVEMBER

- * Annual Cemetery mass on Saturday 15th November 9am
- * Year 12 Graduation Mass Thursday 20th November 6pm
- * Welcome New families mass Saturday, 22nd November 6pm

DECEMBER

- * Anointing Mass Thursday 4th December at 10am
- * Monthly working bee Saturday 6th December 9.30am.
- * St Patrick's graduation Mass Thursday 11th December at 9am.

BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Stella Groves into our faith community through the sacrament of baptism. Please keep Stella and her parents and godparents in your prayers, as they continue on their faith journey.

NOVEMBER MONTH OF HOLY SOULS.

November is the month of the Holy Souls. Mass offerings envelopes for our deceased are available at both doors.

How do we help the "holy souls"? The Catechism of the Catholic Church recommends prayer for the dead in conjunction with the offering of the Eucharistic Sacrifice and also encourages "almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead" (CCC #1032).

Let us not forget to pray for our dear departed, have Masses offered for them, visit their graves, and make daily sacrifices for them. God can foresee and apply the merits of our prayers, penances and works of charity, done even years after their death, for our departed dear ones, in favour of our deceased dear ones, at the moment of their deaths.

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH MEETING

Following the 11am liturgy on the 7th December, a meeting will be held in the church to discuss a change of use proposal for the church. Interested parishioners are invited to attend.

GLUTEN FREE

Please note that gluten free hosts are available to parishioners who are gluten intolerant. Please see the sacristans Annette or Marg or Fr before Mass. For further queries contact Mary at the parish office 5852 1026.

MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sat 15th November - 9am Annual Cemetery Mass
Sun 16th November - 8.30am Mass

Weekly Masses

Tue 18th November - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass
Thu 20th November - 6pm Year 12 Graduation Mass
Sat 22nd November - 6pm Mass
Sun 23rd November - 8.30am Mass

Weekly Masses

Tue 25th November - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass
Thu 27th November - 9.15am F-4 Community Mass
Sun 30th November - 8.30am Mass

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

We are pleased to announce that seven students from St Augustine's Kyabram will be attending the Australian Catholic Youth Festival from 30th November to 3rd December in Melbourne. They will be accompanied by Brendon Lane and Samantha Norris. We thank these students for volunteering to attend this special occasion and pray that the Holy Spirit will bless and inspire them.

CALENDARS AND GOD'S WORD

We have wooden scroll Calendars 2026 available in the Piety Store in the gathering space at the church. \$15 each and 4 different styles. We also have 2026 Columban calendars available for \$10 each. If you would like a copy of God's word, please register your name at the piety store.

CCR 'PILGRIMAGE TO BETHLEHEM' RENEWAL DAY

Join Catholic Charismatic Renewal for a Pilgrims of Hope Renewal Day: 'Pilgrimage to Bethlehem'. Talks and Charismatic Mass celebrated by Fr Arun Korlakanti, Spiritual Chaplain of CCR Sandhurst. **Saturday 29 November 2025** 9.30 am (Cuppa) to 3.30 pm. Mons Peter Jeffrey Centre, St Brendan's, Shepparton. Lunch: Please bring a plate to share. An offering will be taken up. All welcome Contact: Brigita: 0412 042 196, Mary: 0427 190 282, or Denise: 0407 506 813

YEAR 12 GRADUATION MASS

The year 12 Graduation Mass will be held on Thursday 20th November at 6pm. Congratulations to all Year 12 students as they have reached this important milestone. Please pray for them as they embark on a new chapter in their lives.

WELCOME TO NEW FAMILIES MASS AND DINNER

All families are warmly invited to a Welcome Mass **Saturday, 22nd November at 6:00pm** to greet and celebrate our new parishioners. Following Mass, there will be a shared **community dinner** in the Gathering Space. We invite everyone to bring a plate to share and enjoy an evening of fellowship and welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

FAREWELL TO MAURIE AND ANGELA FINN

A farewell morning tea will follow 8.30am Mass on Sunday 7th December for Maurie and Angela Finn. Maurie and Angela have lived in our parish for many years and contributed generously to our parish community through many ministries. You are invited to celebrate their dedication and wish them farewell as they continue with their retirement in Yea.

ST PATRICKS GRADUATION MASS

St Patrick's graduation Mass will be Thursday 11th December at 9am. Congratulations to all Year 6 students as they have reached this important milestone. Please pray for them as they embark on a new chapter in their new schools.

CHILDREN'S MASS AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join us for a joyful celebration Mass on Saturday 13th Dec at 6pm followed by dinner and fun activities for children. Families are warmly invited to come along. RSVP to Parish Office 03 58521026 or Mary 0427 190282. Come and share in the Spirit of Christmas with our parish community.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As we come to worship, we remember the Yorta Yorta & Bangerang People the original custodians of this land. We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with deep respect. May the Elders, past and present, be blessed and honored. May we join and build a future based on compassion, justice, faith and reconciliation.

Charity is that with which no man is lost, and without which no man is saved. - Saint Robert Bellarmine

Breaking Open the Word

will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master', they said 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

'Take care not to be deceived', he said 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he", and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not so soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there: there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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GOD'S PROTECTIVE PROMISE

Last Sunday we commemorated the *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*. The Gospel then was from John with Jesus cleansing the Temple and its precincts, restoring it as the rightful abode of God's presence and holiness. Today's Gospel, continuing our liturgical journey with Luke, touches again on the theme of the Temple. But this time, Jesus anticipates its destruction and then springboards Gospel listeners into a sermon on the end-time. The Gospel theme prepares us for the final Sundays of the year before the new liturgical year, Year A and Matthew's Gospel, commences in two weeks' time with the beginning of Advent.

Today's Gospel is complex and often misunderstood. It requires careful explanation. Our selection comes from Luke's 'apocalyptic' chapter. Here the evangelist draws on Mk 13 but reshapes it in the light of the audience's experience and memory of Jerusalem's destruction by Rome in 70 CE. This experience is retrojected on to Jesus' teaching seeming to prophesy its destruction. In Jesus' day the Temple was still standing, by the time Luke writes, Jerusalem and its Temple are already destroyed.

Luke's apocalyptic teaching acknowledges the struggle of Jesus' faithful followers living generations after Jesus' public ministry, assuring them of God's comforting presence, warning them not to be carried away by messianic pretenders, and encouraging their patient endurance in all that unfolds. The last words of the Gospel contain the essence of God's protective promise: '...not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.' We, too, lean into these words amid our struggles today.

Fr Michael Trainor

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Malachi

The sun of righteousness will shine on you.

Mal 3:19-20

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 97:5-9. R. cf. v. 9

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp / with the sound of music. / With trumpets and the sound of the horn / acclaim the King, the Lord. **R.**
2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder; / the world, and all its peoples. / Let the rivers clap their hands / and the hills ring out their joy / at the presence of the Lord. **R.**
3. For the Lord comes, / he comes to rule the earth. / He will rule the world with justice / and the peoples with fairness. **R.**

SECOND READING

2 Thess 3:7-12

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

Do not give anyone food who refuses to work.

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them, no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

THE SAVING WORD

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We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lift up your heads and see;

your redemption is near at hand.

Alleluia!

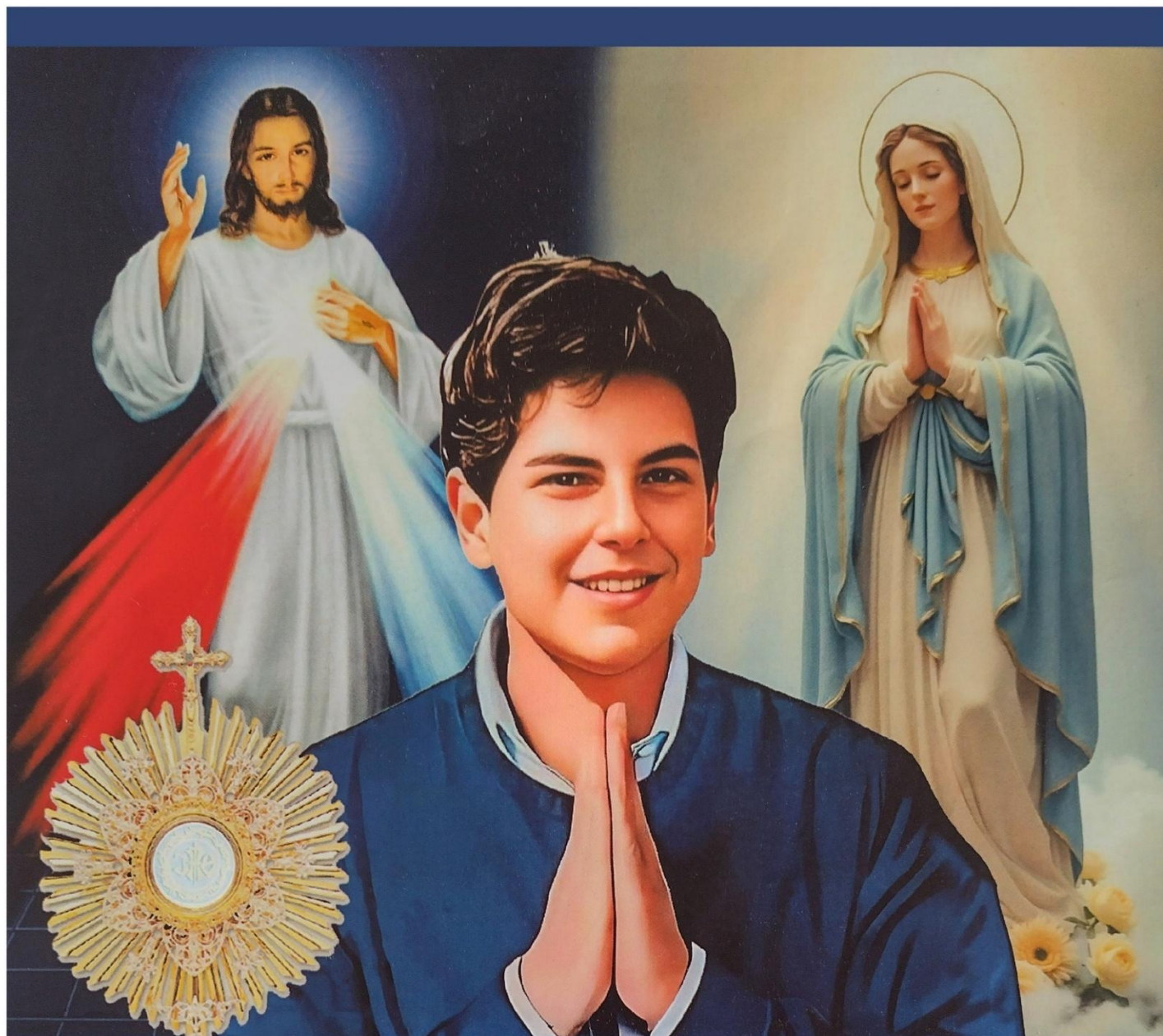
GOSPEL

Lk 21:5-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Your endurance will win you your life.

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time



Saint Carlo Acutis

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Spiritual Chaplain CCR Sandhurst

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9.30 cuppa-3.30pm

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