



Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C - Sunday, 24th August 2025

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 85:1-3

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.
Have mercy on me,
O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

First Reading Isaiah 66:18-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

They will gather all of your people from all nations.

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 116. R. Mk 16:15

(R.) Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

1. O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples! **(R.)**
2. Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful for ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

The Lord disciplines those he loves.

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation John 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 13:22-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Communion Antiphon Cf Psalm 103:13-15

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work,
O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth
and wine to cheer the heart.



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

St Laurence O'Toole Leongatha

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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/Class Mass	9.30am
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Friday	Parish/Class Mass	9.30am
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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Baptism: Alice Joyce Denman

Recently Deceased: Philip Head, Elsie McBride

Anniversaries: Giuseppe Calafiore, Jack Croatto, Albina Croatto, Rosa Skinina, Kenneth Rattle, Michael Norton, Sebastiano Auddino

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."

Repose of Soul: Erminia Ciurleo

Sick: Pina Matera, Fr Michael Willemsen, Mary Baker, Helen Cameron, David Whiteside

90th Birthday: Paul Norton

PARISH ROSTERS

LEONGATHA:

	30th Aug	31st Aug
Flowers:	Shirleyanne Wright	
Cleaning:	K Battersby/J Walsh	
Greeting:	M Murphy	S Cannata
Reader:	S Sabu	S Seabrook
Special Minister:	B Matthew	G Bolge
	R Yates	J Salvatore
	J Bleaser	J Schelling

KORUMBURRA:

7/9	Cleaning:	B Hosking/M Barrett
31/8	Greeter:	M Jackson
	August	
	Reader:	D Jackson
	Commentator	F Fowles
	Special Minister	Jill, Lima, Sue
	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

PRINCIPLES & PRACTICE OF GOOD PARISH LITURGY PREPARATION & ENGAGEMENT



For all those who have a role in the preparation and celebration of Parish Masses

Music ministers, Sacristans, Welcomers, Readers, Commentators,
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.

Presentation by Fr Brian Nichols on

Principles & Practice of Good Parish Liturgy Preparation & Engagement

Workshops for

- Music Ministry
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Preparing & welcoming into the liturgical space
- Lectors/Readers ministry
- Liturgy of the Word with Communion

SATURDAY
AUG 30TH 2025

TIME
9:30 - 3:00PM

PLACE
St Michaels Parish,
121-123 High Street
Berwick



Presenter: Fr Brian Nichols

Father Brian is a priest of the Archdiocese of Hobart, Tasmania, Australia, and is currently Vice-Rector of Corpus Christi Seminary in Melbourne. He also teaches Liturgical and Sacramental Theology at Catholic Theological College (University of Divinity), Melbourne. He holds a Licentiate in Sacred Liturgy from the Pontifical Liturgical Institute (Sant' Anselmo), Rome.

To register interest contact Parish Priest.

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

St Laurence's Parish:

Stewardship envelope:	\$595.00
Stewardship cash (1st offering)	\$390.15
Presbytery (2nd offering)	\$740.75

St Joseph's Parish

Stewardship envelope:	\$89.00
Stewardship cash (1st offering)	\$180.40
Presbytery (2nd offering)	\$304.70

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 ☐

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



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

The **St Paul's Catholic Social Club** of Mirboo North warmly invites you to a special Mass in honour of our patron, **St. Paul**, on **Sunday, 31st August at 1.30pm**, at **St Joseph's Catholic Church, Mirboo North**.

We extend this invitation to all members, their families, friends and all those who have supported the **St Paul's Festival** and the **Mirboo North Italian Festa** over the years.

Following the Mass, we invite everyone to join us for afternoon tea in the **St Paul's Club Hall located behind the Church**. We look forward to sharing this joyful occasion with you.

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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