



The Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Mission Sunday

Year C - Sunday, 19th October 2025

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 16:6,8

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God;
turn your ear to me; hear my words.
Guard me as the apple of your eye;
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

First Reading Exodus 17:8-13

A reading from the book of Exodus

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses' arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 120. R. v.2

(R.) Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains:
from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth. **(R.)**
2. May he never allow you to stumble!
Let him sleep not, your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands.
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night. **(R.)**
4. The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.
The Lord will guard your going and coming
both now and for ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading 2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:2

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Hebrews 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 18:1-8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

God will see those who cry to him vindicated.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."'

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

The Gospel of the Lord

Communion Antiphon Cf Psalm 32:18-19

Behold, the eyes of the Lord
are on those who fear him,
who hope in his merciful love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine.



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

LEONGATHA

Tuesday

Mass

5.00pm

Thursday

Mass

9.30am

Friday

Mass

9.30am

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Anniversaries: Anne Cunningham, Eileen Norton, Andrew Norton

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: Pat Gunnulson

PARISH ROSTERS

LEONGATHA:

25th Oct

26th Oct

Flowers:

E Stephens

Cleaning:

J Shea / L Fiddlelears

Greeting:

T Murphy

Shirleyanne Wright

Reader:

A Hemming

C Farras

Special Minister:

M Thomas

M Holloway

A Hemming

J Salvatore

R Yates

S Seabrook

KORUMBURRA:

02/11 Cleaning:

B Hosking/MBarrett

26/10 Greeter:

B Hosking

October

Reader:

S Fitzgerald

Commentator

K Loughnan

Special Minister

Anthony, Jill, Denise

Laundry:

T Ferrone

Flowers:

Jackson Family

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Leongatha: Friday after 9.30am Mass & before or after 5.30pm Mass on Saturday .

Korumburra: Sun before 9.30am Mass

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

DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN FRAMEWORK 2026-2030

Hope-Filled Future: Our Diocesan Pastoral Plan Framework is Here!

A new chapter in the life of our Diocese has begun! On Friday, the 10th of October, Bishop Greg Bennet officially launched the **Diocesan Pastoral Plan Framework 2026-2030**. This isn't just a document; it's the fruit of a year-long journey of listening and prayer, shaped by consultations with you, and all our local communities and culminating in the historic Diocesan Assembly where the voices of our diocese were heard.

The plan calls all of us to live out our shared mission with renewed clarity and purpose. Its six goals invite every parishioner to:

- **Deepen** Christ-Centred Faith and Spiritual Growth
- **Advance** Synodal Leadership and Engagement
- **Build** an Inclusive and Welcoming Church
- **Inspire** the Engagement of Young People and Families
- **Enhance** Parish-School Collaboration
- **Ignite** Missionary Outreach and Evangelisation

This is a chance to reimagine how we live as disciples and serve one another. Each of us has a vital role to play in bringing this vision to life. Please keep this important diocesan initiative in your prayers and look for more information soon on how our parish will be participating.

JUBILEE OF OUTREACH TO THE POOR



Extends a warm invitation to join us as we celebrate the Jubilee of Hope : Outreach to the poor

Sat, 29th Nov 2025 at 11:00 am
ST MARY'S CHURCH 102 Commercial Road, Yarram

Mass celebrated by Bishop Greg Bennet
followed by lunch

Enjoy displays by various outreach organisations from our community and throughout the Gippsland diocese.

Donations of non-perishable goods are greatly appreciated and can be delivered to the Yarram parish Office between 9:30 am and 3:00 pm on Thursdays and Fridays

All funds raised will be taken up on the day in support of outreach to the poor.



ST MARY'S CHURCH
102 Commercial Road, Yarram

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH
19 O'Connell Rd, Foster

For More information, please contact parish office at 03 5182 5028

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

St Laurence's Parish:

Stewardship envelope:	\$497.00
Stewardship cash (1st offering)	\$389.45
Presbytery (2nd offering)	\$688.45

St Joseph's Parish

Stewardship envelope:	\$111.50
Stewardship cash (1st offering)	\$338.50
Presbytery (2nd offering)	\$484.45

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 ☐

COSMOS

Fatima, Lourdes & Shrines of Spain

DEPARTING 25 APRIL 2026

Travel with Jill from Leongatha Travel & Cruise to visit some of the world's most treasured Marian shrines, pilgrimage sites, and spiritual places of Portugal, Spain and France.

INFORMATION EVENING

22 OCTOBER, 6PM LIGHT REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED
ST LAURENCE CHURCH PARISH CENTRE
31 OGILVY STREET, LEONGATHA

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RSVP TO THE EVENT, CONTACT

LEONGATHA TRAVEL & CRUISE

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Parish/Diocese News

Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday 21st Oct 2025

Combined Churches of Korumburra Service will be held at St Joseph's Korumburra on Sunday 26th October at 2pm. Theme- "The People of God". Please show your support. Kindly bring a plate to share. Thank you. Please contact David Jackson for more details. 0474 136 469

Reminder Ladies Retreat held on Monday 20th Oct at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Inverloch presented by Fr Martin Dixon from 10am-3pm. Please bring a plate to share. Tea and Coffee Supplied.

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>

LEONGATHA PARISH:

How do we defeat evil? – As we hear news about the growing presence of evil around us, it is our Christian duty to intercede before God, both for ourselves and for the world. Jesus Himself taught that *"This kind can come out only through prayer."* (Mark 9:29). Our greatest defence against evil is PRAYER. Traditionally, the Rosary has been our strongest weapon. Why not join fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary before weekend Masses, and at Adoration on Wednesdays at 11am?

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>

KORUMBURRA PARISH:

Cuppa after mass first Sunday of the Month

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JOINT PARISH RENEWAL PROGRAM 2025

Welcome to the Engagement Weekend of our Renewal Program!

This week celebrates our commitment to being a Mission driven parish – helping all celebrate God's presence and expressing our faith through outreach, service, and justice. We all have a role to play – indeed a responsibility to use our gifts and talents for the benefits of others. So please be involved in one of our parish Ministries – either for the first time or in a continuing role – your involvement will be personally rewarding and a great contribution to our vibrant parish. Fr Stanly will speak at each of the Masses this weekend, and distribute copies of the special Ministries form.

A special thank you to Ken Loughan and David Panther who spoke on the position of our Parishes during Masses last weekend as we launched the Program.

Mirboo North will have an extra Mass on Sunday 26th October at 9.30am to cover this Commitment Program.

JUBILEE CONCERT OF HOPE



Saint Michael's Parish, Traralgon, extends an invitation to attend a special Concert of Hope

NOV 16TH 2025

Venue: St Michael's Church, Traralgon and Gippsland Performing Art Centre, Traralgon

A Musical Celebration

- 12:00 p.m. : Mass at St. Michael's Church with Bishop Greg Bennet, followed by a special blessing for all musicians and singers.
- 1:30 p.m. : Refreshments available in the parish hall.
- 2:30 p.m. : The free concert begins at the Gippsland Performing Arts Centre.

Performances by choirs from Lavalla Catholic College, St Michael's PS, Narre Warren, Pakenham, Drouin, Diamante Family, Yallourn Madrigal Singers and the Latrobe Orchestra

Concert of Hope

Free tickets required from GPAC. 32 Kay St
Telephone: 51765353,
St. Michael's Parish, 53 Kay St, Telephone: 51742060

For more information visit
[cdsale.org.au/events/jubilee-concert](https://www.cdsale.org.au/events/jubilee-concert)

