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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year C

5 October 2025



From Small Seeds, Great Things

Grow: Nurture faith, love and hope – watch them flourish!

(Luke 17: 5 - 10)

For families, this is deeply encouraging. Parenting, relationships, and family life can feel overwhelming at times. We may worry that our efforts to love, guide, and nurture our children or family members are too small to matter. Jesus assures us that no act of faith, kindness, or love is insignificant. A gentle word, a shared prayer, a moment of patience, or a simple gesture of care can grow in ways we cannot imagine, touching hearts and strengthening bonds.

For parishes, this passage is a call to notice and embrace the small opportunities to live our faith in everyday life. Volunteering at your parish, checking in on a neighbour, listening to a friend in need, or praying intentionally at home are all ways that even “tiny” acts can bear great fruit. Faith isn’t measured by grandeur – it’s measured by love in action.

This Gospel invites us to approach life with hope and courage. Trust that God can take even our smallest acts of faith and multiply them. Together, as families and communities, we are called to plant these seeds of hope, patience, and love in the world around us.

Take heart today: small acts of faith make a big difference. Pray together, care for each other, and notice the ways God works through your daily life. Like a mustard seed, even the tiniest effort, nurtured with love and consistency, can grow into something beautiful.

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SCRIPTURES FOR THE 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR C

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Psalms: Ps 94:1-2, 6-9

Psalms Response: *If today you hear God's voice, harden not your hearts.*

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia, alleluia!*

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm.

They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, Students on placement and Visitors to our sites.

Local Safeguarding Representative: Bob Snoke on 0419 247 698;

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STOPLine Service: Ph. 1300 304 550 | **Email:** AOB@stopline.com.au | **Online Report:** bncatholic.stoplinereport.com

Mass & Confession Times

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Confessions — 4.15pm
Vigil Mass 5pm

COOCHIE MUDLO ISLAND

Confessions before Mass
4 & 18 Oct - 11am Mass
Liturgy of the Word with Communion —
every other Saturday at **11am**

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Masses 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

Confessions before Mass
12 & 26 Oct. - 1.45pm Mass
Liturgy of the Word with Communion —
every other Sunday at **9am**

RUSSELL ISLAND

Confessions before Mass
5 & 19 Oct. - 2pm Mass
Liturgy of the Word with Communion —
every other Sunday at **2pm**

MONDAY

St Rita's Church

8.30am Rosary

9am Mass

Pro-Life Rosary after Mass

TUESDAY

St Rita's Church

No Mass or Rosary

WEDNESDAY

St Rita's Church

8.30am Rosary

9am Mass

THURSDAY

St Rita's Church

8.30am Rosary

9am Mass

FRIDAY

St Rita's Church

9am Mass & Holy Hour



DURING THE MONTH

MAREBELLO

1st Wed of Month — Eucharist

HEALING MASS

2nd Wednesday of the month
9am Mass

ST VINCENT DE PAUL meet on **1st and 3rd Mondays** of the month,
at **10am** in the **Ruby Room**. Next meetings: 6th & 20 Oct.



HOSANNA PRAYER and PRAISE GROUP

Meets on Tuesdays at 7pm
in St Rita's Church

Christian Meditation

Thursdays at 4pm in St Rita's Chapel

For information please contact the Parish
Office and your enquiry will be
directed to Lorr Popple

St Rita's Parish Church

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Saturday Starting 4th October for personal silent prayer time



Your prayers can make a difference!

Exposition: 9.30AM - 3.30PM

Benediction: 3.30PM

Stay for Confession: 4:15 PM

Vigil Mass: 5PM

If you would like to volunteer as an adorer - to stay and
be present in the church for 1 or 2 hours or more, please
write your name on the sign-up sheet. A minimum of
two people is required for safety purposes.

~ Thank you ~

Sorry WE'RE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed
this **MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER** for
the Public Holiday

PUBLIC ROSARY 2025

In commemoration of the
Feast of Our Lady of Fatima,
a nation-wide

ROSARY RALLY CHAIN

will take place on:

Saturday 11th October
at **2pm Thompson's**
Beach, Victoria Pt

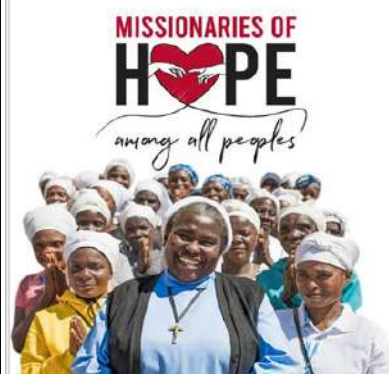
Please join us and bring your
Rosary Beads, chair, hat
and umbrella.

Thank you and God bless, Wendy
Sheppard - wshep107@gmail.com

CATHOLIC MISSION SUNDAY - 4th & 5th October

Catholic Mission has taken an important step forward in supporting maternal and child health in Zambia through their growing partnership with the Catholic Diocese of Mpika, reflecting the ongoing commitment to build life-giving programs that respond to community needs and contribute to Zambia's national development goals. At the heart of their mission is listening, hearing the hopes of our brothers and sisters and responding with compassion.

<https://www.catholicmission.org.au/news/latest-news/catholic-mission-deepens-commitment-to-maternal-and-child-health-in-zambia>



For women like Sharon, who must choose between feeding their children or selling their crops to survive, and Grace, who risked her life traveling 160km for safe childbirth, hope comes through Sr Jane and Kayula. Through sustainable farming, Sr Jane helps women provide for their families. At the Chilonga Mission Hospital, Kayula ensures mothers and babies receive the dignity and care they deserve.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance the vital work of the Church. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope to the people of Zambia.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/mission



PRAYERS

For all those who are ill, especially Dorothy Byrnes, Helen Clarke, Mariano Molina, Claire Douglas, Keith Douglas, Miles Muscroft, Sebastian Ricca, Elaine Prestney, Maddy Brown, Lucas Bernal, Annette Doherty, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Chris Venter, Fr Jim Browne, Alan Williamson, Helen Stockwell, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Trubody, Jela Cicak, Matthew Scott, and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased to the loving care of the Lord: Peter Maguire, Heather Butler, Frances Smithson, and Leo Hackett.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

Our faith will sustain us through challenging times.

Please keep supporting your Parish by continuing your weekly offering if you can, either by using our periodic direct debit or credit card facility or by direct deposit.

Our planned giving bank account details for direct deposits are as follows:

BSB: 064 786 Account No: 100027374 Account Name: Parish Donation - kindly reference your deposit with your surname and your planned giving number/envelope number if you have one.

St Rita's Men's Group

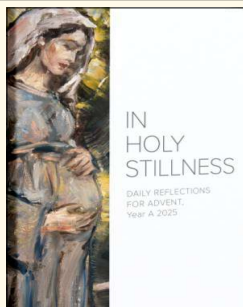
A special thank you to all of the St Rita's Men's Social Group who were able to attend the Tour of the Supreme Court.

Special thanks to John Bowskill (and his daughter Helen, Chief Justice) who initiated the idea of the visit.

Many thanks also to the Supreme Court Librarian staff who took us on the 2-hour tour, and to a fascinating talk by the Hon. Justice Sue Brown on the workings of our court system, and thanks to Charlie D'Allura for asking so many questions!! Mike Duggan

Next Event: Putt Putt Golf and Lunch

At: Alex Hills Hotel **On:** 23rd October



In Holy Stillness – Advent 2025

Advent is coming and the Archdiocese of Brisbane 2025 Advent Book, **"In Holy Stillness"** is available to order. Advent is a special season that reminds us that growth in holiness begins in the silent soil of waiting, and hope flourishes when we allow ourselves to rest in God's promise. This Advent resource has been developed for both individual prayer and small groups. The beautiful artwork used on the front cover, and provided throughout the book, is titled "Benedictus Fructus" and comes to us from the artist, José Luis Castrillo. Cost of the book is \$5.

To order a copy of the book - please put your name on 'Advent Book Order Sheet' in St Rita's Church by 30 October

To be part of an Advent Discussion Group - please put your name on the list in St Rita's Church. The Group starts on Thursday 27 Nov. at 10am in Ruby Room and on the following Thursdays in Advent

ORDER YOUR 2026 DAILY MASS BOOK and the BREAK OPEN THE WORD - 2026

Daily Mass Book 2026 - \$33
Break Open the Word 2026 - \$33
(Unfortunately the price of these books has gone up considerably.)

For Readers who are on the Roster for Reading - the cost for Break Open The Word is \$15.

Please advise the Parish Office if you wish to purchase one.

Join us for 'A CUPPA AFTER MASS' at St Rita's Church this weekend 4 & 5 October



Join the Parish Team at St Rita's Victoria Point

Both roles require alignment with Catholic values, a current Blue Card and Police Check (or willingness to obtain), and a commitment to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. For more information contact the Parish Office—3207 9177 Interested applicants should email their resume to: hunterb@bne.catholic.net.au



Parish Secretary Part-Time – 20 hours/week Mon - Wed, Fri

This key administrative role supports the day-to-day operations of the parish office. Responsibilities include reception, records management, liturgy and newsletter preparation, data entry, volunteer coordination & assisting the Parish Priest.



Parish Sacramental Coordinator Casual – Flexible hours including weekends and evenings This role involves coordinating the delivery of the parish's sacramental programs (Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation, RCIA).

FEAST DAYS OF OCTOBER

Wednesday 1	St Therese of the Child Jesus
Thursday 2	The Holy Guardian Angels
Saturday 4	St Francis of Assisi
Monday 6	St Bruno
Thursday 9	St Denis & Companions
	St John Leonardi
Saturday 11	St John XXIII, Pope
Sunday 12	St Carlo Acutis
Tuesday 14	St Callistus I, Pope
Wednesday 15	St Teresa of Jesus
Thursday 16	St Margaret Mary Alacoque
	St Hedwig
Friday 17	St Ignatius of Antioch
Saturday 18	St Luke, Evangelist
Wednesday 22	St John Paul II, Pope
Thursday 23	St John of Capistrano
Friday 24	St Anthony Mary Claret
Tuesday 28	Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.



(Pope Francis)

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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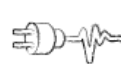
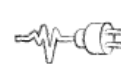
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