

Infant Jesus Parish

Welcome to Morley

28 September 2025

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Served by Teresian Carmelite Friars

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God bless you and all your family

Collect: O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven.

Pardon and mercy sum up God's love in Christ for sinful humanity.

Having been forgiven we are called to be agents of God's love, mercy and forgiveness to those in need.

111th Migrant and Refugee Sunday October 4-5

Migrant and Refugee Sunday is usually celebrated in Australia on the last Sunday in September. However, this year the Holy See, because of the Jubilee Year has changed the date to next Sunday. Nonetheless, today I take this opportunity to write about migrants and refugees in preparation for next Sunday.

Immigration has long been a cornerstone of Australia's growth, diversity, and resilience. As a nation built on migration, we have welcomed people from every corner of the globe—each bringing unique gifts, cultures, and faith traditions that have enriched our communities. The Catholic Church has long stood in solidarity with migrants and refugees, advocating for their dignity and inclusion.

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the release of On Immigration, the Pastoral Letter issued by the Australian Bishops in 1950. It offers us a timely opportunity to reflect on our attitudes towards those seeking a new home in our country. The bishops then called for “great generosity” and “true unselfishness” to be the “guiding lights” for Catholics as they assisted the new settlers to build a home “beneath the Southern Cross”.

In Australia in 2025 we are called to welcome, support, and embrace those who arrive from other lands. We must “regard it as a solemn duty to help in the placing and absorbing of immigrants into our community and in making them feel at home amongst us”. In Pope Leo's message he wrote this call to hospitality and generosity “is for us to become living witnesses to hope in a community that recognises migrants and refugees as brothers and sisters, part of a family in which they can express their talents and participate fully in community life.”

Today's Readings

In our **First Reading** (Amos 6:1, 4-7) Amos, an 8th century prophet of social justice, lampoons the rich for their ill-gotten wealth and ostentatious excess. They are blinded to the ‘ruin of Joseph’ about whom they care nothing. They are unaware that their lives of luxury make them easy targets for their enemies. They would, in fact, be the first to suffer exile and the kingdom of Israel would disappear forever. In a similar vein, in today's **Gospel** (Luke 16:19-31) Jesus tells a story of a rich man so caught up in his comfortable bubble who doesn't even notice the plight of the poor at his gate. When God acts on behalf of the poor all this is reversed, the rich will find themselves trapped in a painful predicament of their own making. In the **Second Reading** (1 Tim 6:11-16) Paul reminds the young Timothy of his responsibilities in view of the example of Christ and his future coming.

Blessings,

Greg

**Pope Leo XIV's Monthly Intention
for October 2025**



*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.

Public Holiday Mass

This Monday, 29th September 2025, is a public holiday. Please
note there will be only one Mass at 8:30am.

We wish all students, staff, and families a safe and restful break
during the school holidays.

Please note that **Children's Liturgy and Playgroup will pause
during the holidays** and resume on the first week of Term.

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OCTOBER 2025**

*You're Invited To A Day of Fellowship, Fun & Games for All
Ages!*

Come and join the Seminary community for our inaugural
Family Fun Day – a time of connection and celebration
with our future priests. Laughter, food and fun for all ages.

Date: 19 October 2025

Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm

Place: St Charles Seminary, 30 Meadow Street, Guildford

Come along for a day filled with:

Family Mass @ 10.30am

Games & activities for Kids & Adults

Sausage sizzle for sale or BYO lunch

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Bring your family, friends and your game face! BYO Food,
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by 5th October 2025



**Community in Bloom
Infant Jesus Parish Clothing and
Bake Sale**



Our spring Clothing and Bake Sale for the parish
and wider community will take place on
Saturday, 15th November 2025

We are still accepting donations of clean, good-quality clothing
— the kind of items you'd be happy to give a friend, especially
donations of evening wear, cocktail wear, and handbags in
excellent condition.

Coat hangers are also much appreciated. Donations can be
dropped off at the Parish Centre during opening hours.

On the day there will also be a Bake Sale, and we invite
parishioners to contribute their favourite cakes, slices, or biscuits
to share.

This event is more than just a sale — it's
an opportunity to welcome our
neighbours into the Parish Centre, enjoy
time together, and celebrate our
community spirit.



14. The Way of the Cross or Stations of the Cross?

The Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy issued by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments in 2002 makes a number of useful suggestions for celebrating the Way of the Cross.

This week is the fifteenth of a series of topics on all things liturgical. The church is dynamic and forever moving to serve the needs of the people of God in each century. It is easy to use language for things that have been part of our growing in the faith. Church scholars have seen the need to change some terminology and rituals to help us move and grow more in our faith and resonate with us in modern times. Very often this new language assists us to discover new insights and find deeper meaning for the rituals and actions that we participate in.

Copies are available beside the bulletins in the narthex (foyer) of the church.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION 2025

Enrolment is only for the children of Infant Jesus Primary School and our PREP Program. Please note the following dates:

Parents Night: 22nd October (Wednesday) at 7.00pm at the Parish Centre

Commitment Masses: 25th October (Saturday) at 6.00pm &
26th October (Sunday) at 9.30am and 6.00pm

Children's Retreat: 30th October (Thursday) at the Parish Centre & Church

Family Retreat & Reconciliation Day: 3rd November (Monday) at 5.30pm/6.00pm/6.30pm OR
6th November (Thursday) at 5.30pm/6.00pm

Please email sacramental@infantjesusparish.org.au for any enquiries.



The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady
Private devotion this week.

Calendar of Saints

29 Sept: Sts Michael, Raphael, archangels
30 Sept: St Jerome, priest, doctor
01 Oct: St Therese of the Child Jesus, virgin, doctor
02 Oct: The Holy Guardian Angels
04 Oct: St Francis of Assisi

Mobility Aid

If you know anyone in our community in need of a walker, please contact the parish office. Thank you.



Let Us Pray for One Another

Deceased: Floyd Allan Gomes, Peter Meek

Anniversaries: Easter Sandy Silerio, Robert Grant, Sarah Grant, Colin Montgomery, Mary McKenna, Cedric Kleinman, Christopher Mbanga, Doris Smythe, Jack Illich,

Serious Illness: Hilda Chin

and all those in need of our prayers.

*“The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.”*

THIS WEEKEND —28 September 2025—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 11:00am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Bruce Erneste	Chris Wray	Chris Yapp	John Tomeczak	Chris Lambert
Altar Servers	Nathan; Lachlan and Meldon	Ria; Lia and Frank	Crissanto; Cesar and Manuel		Amy and Megan
Proclaimers	Sabrina and Teresa	Sally and Shirley	Mark and Tony		Alishia and Marion W
Extraordinary Ministers Of Communion	John; Tracy; Marie and Sejin	Sr Madeline; Kerryn; Shirley and Kathleen	Tanya; Patrick; Aileen; Josephine; Lucy and Christina		Maureen; Eloise; Tristan and Thuy
Hospitality	John T and Milly	Barb and Veronica	Jovana and Victoria		Rita and Olivia
Church Cleaning	Team B— Thursday, 2nd October 2025 @ 10.00am				

NEXT WEEKEND — 05 October 2025—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 11:00am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy Nicoletto	Cyril Mathew	David Ward	Marion Wayne	Tung Nguyen
Altar Servers	Shawn and Andres		Victoria; Jules and Kim		Alex; Dorothy; Bryant and Alden
Proclaimers	Donna-Marie and John	Liz and Gerri	Rod and Lia		Maureen and Georgia
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Emily, Marcus, Chris, John	Valerie, Nevellene, John, Michael	Sr Chau, Sr Le, Sr Oanh, Lucy, Annette, Magdalene		Adam, Maureen, Tristan, Eloise
Hospitality	Emily and Rebecca	Angela and Selina	Loretta and Riko		Maureen and Anthony
Church Cleaning	Team C— Saturday, 11 October 2025 @ 9.30am				

PLEASE NOTE - If you are unable to attend on your rostered day, please arrange for someone else in your Ministry to take your place.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Dan 3:31, 29, 30, 43, 42

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING Am 6:1, 4-7

Thus says the Lord, the God of hosts: "Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria!

"Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

"Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of those who lie in ease shall pass away."

(Quiet reflection time)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 146.6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10 (R.1)

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith forever, who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free. **R.**

The Lord opens the eyes of the blind and lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous and watches over the strangers. **R.**

The Lord upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Tim 6:11-16

As for you, Timothy, man of God; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made

the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time. He is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

(Quiet reflection time)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich

but he became poor,

to make you rich

out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Lk 16:19-31

Jesus told this parable to those among the Pharisees who loved money:

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.

"The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.'

"But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm

has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.'

"The man who had been rich said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send Lazarus to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.'

"Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' Abraham said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'" ✠

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

cf Psalm 118:49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Scriptural context – Gates

The poor man, Lazarus, is described as sitting at the gate of the rich man. We have a picture of Lazarus sitting on the outside looking in at all that he cannot have. Gates are used both literally and metaphorically throughout the gospel of Luke. In the cities and towns of Palestine, gates marked a physical barrier between those who were 'in' and those who were 'out'. But they also marked the boundaries of society. Those who were permitted to sleep within the walls were the acceptable of society. Those who were shut outside the gates and outside the city of an evening were the unacceptable. - Greg Sunter

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING: Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

SECOND READING:

2Tim 1:6-8, 13-14

GOSPEL: Lk 17:5-10

15. The Way of the Cross

Q. Could you please explain the similarities/differences between the Stations of the Cross and the Way of the Cross that Pope John Paul II introduced in the early 1990s?

A. Stations of the Cross is a popular practice in many parishes during Lent. For many it is a spiritual journey with Jesus that allows them to express the subjective dimension of their faith.

This form of devotion arose after pilgrims began to visit the Holy Land from the end of the 4th century to follow the path that Jesus trod in his last week of life. On Palm Sunday they walked down from the summit of the Mount of Olives, singing psalms and antiphons. On Thursday people processed to Gethsemane where the Lord prayed. On Friday they gathered at Golgotha, the site of the crucifixion, to venerate the Wood of the Cross. Christians who heard these stories but were unable to travel to Palestine themselves reproduced a parallel devotion at home. The first recorded "Stations of the Cross" was at the Church of San Stefano in Bologna in the 5th century. The Franciscans popularised the practice during the Middle Ages, but the number and subject of the stations was not settled until the 18th century when Pope Clement XII officially recognised the Stations of the Cross as a noble devotion for the Church. The fourteen stations that were established were a blend of biblical and legendary material.

There is no "set" way of praying the Stations and the Church has never provided an official ritual for the celebration. Some parishes base their ritual almost entirely on scripture; others include little if any passages from the bible.

In 1975 the Congregation for Sacred Rites suggested a list of Stations of the Cross that is more in keeping with the gospel accounts than the traditional form. It begins with the Last Supper and concludes with Christ's resurrection.

As your question indicates, Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI used another set of Stations that differs from the traditional 14 when celebrating the Way of Cross at the Colosseum during Holy Week. It also omits those events that are not attested to in the biblical account of the Passion.

The terms "Stations of the Cross" and "Way of the Cross" refer to the same devotional practice. The latter may be better as it emphasises the spiritual journey aspect of the prayer.

The Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy issued by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments in 2002 makes a number of useful suggestions for celebrating the Way of the Cross. These include:

- * Alternative forms of the Stations approved by Rome or used by the popes "can be regarded as genuine forms of the devotion and may be used as the occasion might warrant".

- * The choice of texts should take account of the wise pastoral principle of integrating renewal and continuity. It is always preferable to choose texts written in a clear simple style.

- * The celebration could end with a commemoration of the Lord's resurrection "to leave the faithful with a sense of expectation of the resurrection in faith and hope".

- * Integrating hymns, silence, procession and reflective pauses in a balanced manner into the ritual "contributes significantly to obtaining the spiritual fruits of the pious exercise".

Liturgy Lines by *Elizabeth Harrington* Mar 16, 2014