



Sacred
Heart
Parish
TATURA

Sacred Heart Parish Tatura

Parish Priest: Fr Uday Kumar Marneni ALCP/OSS

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Sunday 2 November 2025



Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 25:6-9
Romans 5:5-11
Luke 7:11-17



Readings for
next Sunday:

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14
2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5
Luke 20:27-38



Liturgical Jottings

Readings for All Souls Day

The Sunday Lectionary provides a small selection of reading for this Commemoration. The complete readings are given in Volume III in the Masses for the Dead. Parishes may select the most appropriate readings from the full selection. The readings recommended for today are given above (Lectionary vol 1 p 966-969). The Gospel is the account of Jesus raising from the dead the son of the widow of Nain.

Apostolic Exhortation

This is an official document of the Church and ranks below Conciliar documents, apostolic constitutions, and papal encyclicals. An apostolic exhortation calls members of the Church to a specific course of spiritual or pastoral action with encouragement and instruction.

For further information go to:

<https://catholicecho.org/2024/04/01/understanding-papal-documents/>

© Diocese of Sandhurst 2025.

Looking at the Readings

If we are honest we will have to admit that though we have died with Christ to sin and risen with him to new life, we do not fully die to sin. In fact, there are many times in our lives when we live in sin, when we actually cling to sin. What happens to those who die in such a state? They may not have turned completely away from the goodness of God, but they have not been faithful either. The remnants of sin cling to them, making them somewhat unready to stand before the face of God. Are they lost? Or are they saved?

In God there is mercy in abundance. Jesus is not willing to lose anyone. Therefore, the power of Jesus and the strength of his promises give us hope that even after death there is the possibility of purification and pardon. We have no idea of when this might happen or how it will happen. All we know is that the lovingkindness of God far surpasses any infidelity of which we might be guilty.

The feast of All Souls is not a feast of sadness, but one of great hope and confidence. It invites us to entrust our dead to God, because we know that they are really God's dead. We know that if we have loved them, God has loved them more. They are in God's care, and like a good shepherd God will lead them to peace. © Dianne Bergant CSA

Dilexi Te: Pope Leo XIV Apostolic Exhortation

Pope Leo's first apostolic exhortation, published 4 October 2025, is a bold affirmation that love for the poor has always been at the heart of the life of the Church

"For Christians, the problem of the poor leads to the very heart of our faith," Pope Leo says, because "the poor are not a sociological category, but the very 'flesh' of Christ." He adds, "No Christian can regard the poor simply as a societal problem; they are part of our 'family.' They are 'one of us.'" 104

A Weekend Thought: All Saints / All Souls

The feasts of All Saints (Nov 1) and All Souls (Nov 2) can be seen as something of a twin feast that celebrates all those who have died. With the feast of All Saints we celebrate all those who have died and have entered into direct and immediate communion with God in heaven. With the feast of All Souls we celebrate and pray for those who have died but have not yet entered into that direct communion with God. These two different states revolve around the Church teaching on *purgatory* – a state or process of purification before entering into heaven.

On the Lighter Side

Did you hear about the saint who trains animals?

He taught his dog to heal. Laughter is a little piece of heaven!



 Please email or contact the office to add names to the prayer list	For those who have died and those who are grieving	
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	Nola Ryan, Lucio Miranda
	Our sick and their carers	Harney McKinnon, Mary Luscombe

ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEK

Sunday 9th November 10:30am

Commentator: Theresa Cook
Reader: Rob Miller
Gospel Procession: Rita Fairchild
Gifts: A Basile & L Mercuri
Eucharistic Minister: Deb Turvey
Screen Operator: Steve De Lai
Music Operator: Trish Warnett
Money Counters: S & S De Lai

Saturday 15th November 6:00pm

Commentator:
Reader:
Gospel Procession:
Gifts:
Eucharistic Minister:
Screen Operator:
Music Operator:

Sunday 16th November 10:30am

Commentator:
Reader:
Gospel Procession:
Gifts:
Eucharistic Minister:
Screen Operator:
Music Operator:
Money Counters:

Saturday Mass times for 1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month

6:00pm (Oct – Mar) 5:00pm (Apr-Sep)

We thank all of our volunteers for their assistance during Mass.

Plate Collection and Envelope



Thank You

Thank you so much for your generosity and support of the parish.

May God bless you always.

Last week: \$420.20

Two Week Mass Timetable Week Commencing 29th October

Weekday Masses

Wednesday 5th November 9:15am
Friday 7th November 9:15am

Weekend Mass

Sunday 9th November 10:30am

Weekday Masses

Wednesday 12th November 9:15am
Friday 19th November 9:15am

Weekend Mass

Saturday 15th November 6:00pm
Sunday 16th November 10:30am

Monthly events

Anointing Mass every 1st Wednesday Mass at 9:15am

Italian Rosary every 2nd Friday at 2pm in the Church

Reconciliation every 1st Saturday of the month (30 minutes before Mass)

Saturday evening Masses: 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month
4th Sunday of the month: Shared lunch in St Mary's Hall
Cemetery Mass 8th November 9:15am

Ladies Cuppa & Chat

1st Wednesday of each month
2pm in St
Mary's Hall. All welcome.



The next one will be Wednesday 5th November

Cemetery Mass

The Annual Mass will be on 8th November at 9:15am. Please bring your own chair and bring hat if it is hot.

Italian Cemetery Rosary

A Rosary in Italian will be said at the cemetery
on Monday, 3rd November at 11:00 AM.
All are welcome to attend and pray.

WILLS & BEQUEATHS

There is an information sheet on the table in the Narthex regarding Wills and Bequeaths. Please consider your Parish when you are considering your Will.

By trusting in God's enduring love and mercy, people can find peace and consolation. We should turn to prayer and scripture as a source of comfort. "The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want."

NOVEMBER MONTH OF HOLY SOULS.

November is the month of the Holy Souls. This year All Souls Day falls on Sunday 2nd November. Mass offering envelopes for our deceased are available in the narthex.

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.

Combined PPC Meeting with Kyabram

The next PPC meeting will be combined with Kyabram PPC in St Mary's Hall on Wednesday 5th November at 6pm. Please bring a plate to share for dinner.

The PPCs will be discussing the recent Diocesan Formation Gathering “Building Communities” held in Shepparton – Strategic Intentional Actions, Strategic Mission & Pastoral Goals and where to next.

All Souls' Day is different from All Saints' Day, which is the day before.

All Saints' Day honors all the saints in Heaven.

All Souls' Day focuses on helping those still waiting to enter Heaven. Both days remind us of the hope we have in eternal life.

The Church teaches that we are all part of one family. The souls in Purgatory are still connected to us. We can help them with our prayers, just like we help each other on earth. All Souls' Day is about that love and care we show for each other.

When we pray for the dead, we follow the example of early Christians. From the beginning, Christians have prayed for the dead, asking God to bring them to Heaven. This tradition continues today, especially on All Souls' Day.

In this way, All Souls' Day reminds us of our connection to those who have gone before us. Our prayers help the souls in Purgatory, and we believe one day, they will be with God in Heaven.

Praying for the dead is one of the greatest acts of charity we can do. The souls in Purgatory cannot pray for themselves. They depend on our prayers to help them move closer to Heaven. When we pray for them, we are showing love and care for their needs.

Praying for the dead is also one of the Spiritual Works of Mercy. It falls under “Pray for the living and the dead,” reminding us that our prayers can help others, both on earth and in Purgatory. By doing this, we offer them spiritual support and help them move closer to Heaven.

All Souls' Day reminds us that life does not end with death. It helps us think about those who have passed away and how we are still connected to them. We believe that death is not the end, but a journey to be with God. For some, this journey involves a time of purification in Purgatory. Our prayers can help these souls move closer to Heaven.

This day is important because it teaches us to pray for others, even after they have died. Praying for the dead is an act of love. It shows that we care for their souls and want them to be at peace with God. By remembering to pray for those who have gone before us, we continue to show them love and support.

For it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins.
2 Maccabees 12:46

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We turn our hearts and minds to the people of the Yorta Yorta nation, who have occupied this country for thousands of years. We pay respect to their elders past, present and emerging, and commit to walking alongside First Nation Australians in truth, justice and reconciliation.

Sacred Heart Parish, Tatura

PO Box 110 Tatura VIC 3616

Phone: 0436 112 232

Email: tatura@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

Website: <http://www.sacredheartparishtatura.com.au>

Facebook: Sacred Heart Catholic Parish Tatura

DIOCESE NEWS – 2/11/25



Discover Catholic Podcasts and events happening across Australia – retreats, pilgrimages, workshops and more.

Visit www.CathEvents.org.au to find opportunities to grow in faith and community. Event organisers can also list their events for free, helping more people connect and participate.

Job vacancy – St Kilian's Parish

St Kilian's Parish is looking for an office administrator to join our staff.

You will need to be friendly, have excellent time management and able to multitask in our busy office.

Knowledge of Microsoft Word and technology/social media an advantage but not essential.

15hrs per week- Tues, Wed, Thurs 9am—2pm .

If interested, or you have any questions, please contact the office on 54416244 or email your resume to stkilians@sandhurst.catholic.org.au by November 7th

SANDHURST THEOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS

Over the last three years the Sandhurst Theology Scholarships have offered financial support for parishioners seeking to study theology at Catholic Theological College (Melbourne) as well as other approved courses in leadership and pastoral ministry. Several parishioners and those engaged in ministry have received funding to support their studies.

The Mission and Pastoral Life Team is reviewing and evaluating the Scholarship offerings in the light of the Strategic Mission and Pastoral Goals and the Diocesan Formation Support Plan. The review and recommendations arising from it will be presented to the Diocesan Administrator, Fr Brian Boyle. The awarding of theology scholarships will be paused during the review with the intention of commencing a new round in time for Semester 2 2026.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Leslie Cooper via email at leslie.cooper@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

40th Anniversary of the New Church & 114th year of St Joseph's Parish, Cobram

You are warmly invited to join us in celebrating the 40th anniversary of St Joseph's Catholic Church & the 114th year of St Joseph's Parish, William Street, Cobram on Sunday 9th November.

Thanksgiving Mass at 11:00am presided by Bishop Les Tomlinson, followed by a shared lunch in the adjacent school grounds.

Pig on spit & BBQ provided. BYO drinks: NO ALCOHOL.

Enquiries phone Kristel 0418306537

DUTCH MIGRANT & FRIENDS ANNIVERSARY LUNCH

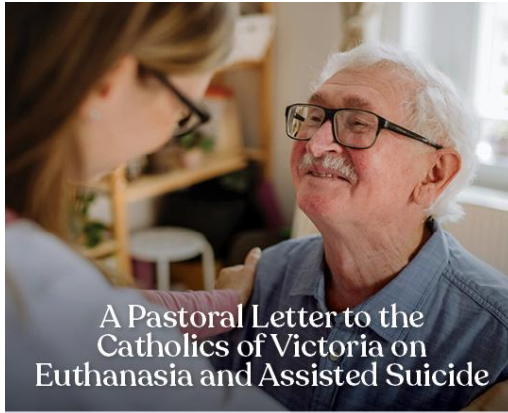
Dutch parishioners and friends are invited to celebrate 70 years since their arrival in the Diocese with a luncheon at the National Hotel, Bendigo at 12:30 pm on 5 November. All welcome. Please, contact Liesbeth on 0407535842, or email: liesbethhc@gmail.com.

MARIST SPRING SHOWCASE CONCERT

Entertain the whole family with a selection of toe-tapping music performed by Marist Brass Band and Marist Academy Brass with some surprises along the way. This dynamic display celebrates both seasoned musicians and rising stars. 2 pm Sunday 9 November, Bendigo South East College Theatre - 56 Ellis St, Flora Hill Adults \$15, Concession \$10, Under 12 Free (Tickets Available at the door - Cash or Card)

The Victorian Bishops have written a pastoral letter about the proposed changes to the Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD) Laws. If passed, the new laws would further weaken protections for vulnerable patients and reduce protections for nurses, doctors and other medical practitioners who conscientiously object. The Bishops of Victoria ask that we contact our local Members of Parliament and urge them to vote against these laws.

You can read the letter and find out more at www.bit.ly/EuthanasiaBill.



A Pastoral Letter to the Catholics of Victoria on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide

The State Government is seeking to amend Victoria's euthanasia and assisted suicide laws. If passed, the new laws would further weaken protections for vulnerable patients and reduce protections for nurses, doctors and other medical practitioners who conscientiously object. In response, the Bishops of Victoria have written a pastoral letter asking that we contact our local Members of Parliament and urge them to vote against these laws.

You can read the letter online and find out more by scanning the QR code or via: www.bit.ly/EuthanasiaBill.



Caritas Australia's Global Gifts are Christmas Cards with purpose!

Every card you buy helps build brighter futures for children, women and men experiencing hardship and poverty. By putting your compassion into action and shopping for the Global Gifts of your choice you will bring hope and joy to the world's most vulnerable and communities, while giving your loved ones a meaningful Christmas card. View the range of Global Gifts: www.globalgifts.org.au



Global Gifts

Purchasing Global Gift
Christmas cards can help to
build a brighter future for children,
women and men experiencing
hardship and poverty.

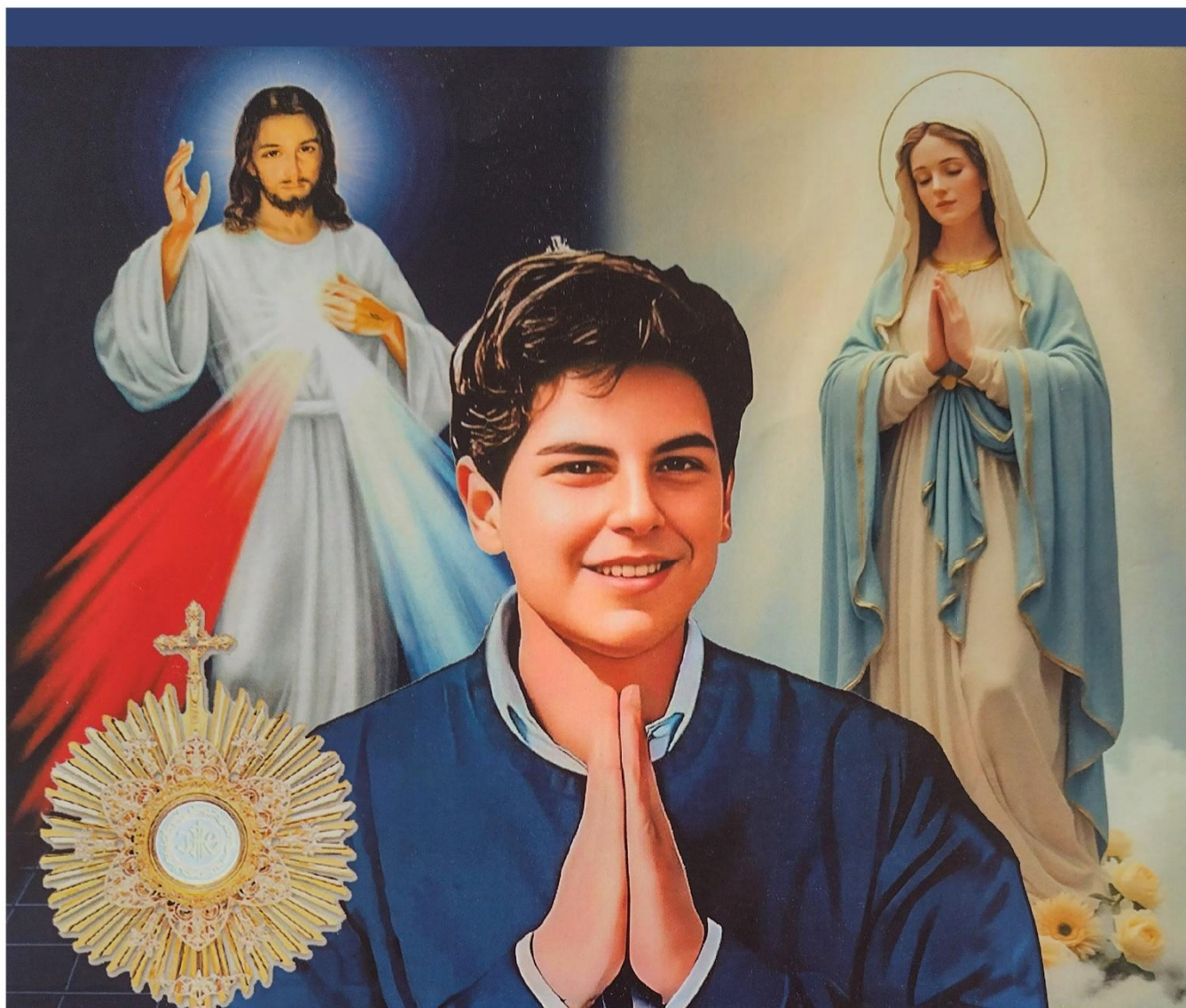


DONATE NOW

www.globalgifts.org.au
1800 024 413



Celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope by visiting this special Exhibition at Sacred Heart Cathedral from 22–28 November, 10 am–4 pm. Carlo, canonised in April 2025 and known as the “Digital Disciple,” used technology to share his faith and inspire young people to embrace their unique God-given gifts rather than follow the crowd. Discover his reflections on faith, the Eucharist, and the courage to live as an original.



Saint Carlo Acutis

BORN: 3 May 1991 DIED: 12 October 2006 (age 15 years), Italy
BEATIFIED: 10 October 2020 CANONISED: Sunday 7 September 2025

Exhibition

151 APPROVED EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES of the WORLD

Saturday 22 to Friday 28 November 2025 (10am to 4pm)
Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo

"To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan."

"The Virgin Mary is the only woman in my life."

*"The more Eucharist we receive, the more we will become like Jesus,
so that on earth we will have a foretaste of heaven."*

Alleluia, alleluia! / This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, / that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, / and that I should raise it up on the last day. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 7: 11-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Young man, I say to you, get up.

Jesus went to a town called Nain, accompanied by his disciples and a great number of people. When he was near the gate of the town it happened that a dead man was being carried out for burial, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a considerable number of the townspeople were with her. When the Lord saw her he felt sorry for her. 'Do not cry,' he said. Then he went up and put his hand on the bier and the bearers stood still, and he said, 'Young man, I tell you to get up'. And the dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Everyone was filled with awe and praised God saying, 'A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people'. And this opinion of him spread throughout Judaea and all over the countryside.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

Breaking Open the Word

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Today we remember our Beloved Dead. We also carry them into today's liturgy, just as the widow's son in today's Gospel is carried into the presence of Jesus. The story begins with Jesus gathering near the gate of Nain with his disciples and others. This happens at the same time as a 'the only son of his mother' is being carried out on a bier for burial. We note two things about the situation: The deceased is an only son and she is widowed. These two facts elevate the story's tragedy. The woman is domestically and economically abandoned; her tears palpable. At the gate of the town, life and death meet.

Jesus, the agent of healing and life, responds to her: 'When the Lord *saw* her he felt sorry for her.' Jesus' *seeing* impels him to act. In an earlier Lukan parable (Lk 10), a Samaritan 'sees' a half-dead robbery victim. Unlike the other characters in the parable who pass by and look sideways, the Samaritan is impelled to act. In today's Gospel, Jesus responds similarly.

The title 'Lord' suggests that this is the act of God's emissary. The translation, 'felt sorry', robs the power of the Greek which literally means, 'felt his innards respond'. This visceral response brings Jesus to restore the young man to life, an act acclaimed as God's 'visitation' of the people. Like the woman, we carry our dead before Jesus today. He responds deeply to our sadness. Through him God also 'visits' us.

Fr Michael Trainor

THE SAVING WORD

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS DAY) / C

2 NOVEMBER 2025

FIRST READING

Isa 25: 6-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord will destroy Death for ever.

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples
a banquet of rich food.
On this mountain he will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
he will destroy Death for ever.
The Lord will wipe away
the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his people's shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.
We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM Ps 26: 1, 4, 7-9, 13-14. R. v. 1 Alt. R. v. 3

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my help; / whom shall I fear? / The Lord is the stronghold of my life; / before whom shall I shrink? **R.**
2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord, / for this I long, / to live in the house of the Lord, / all the days of my life, / to savour the sweetness of the Lord, / to behold his temple. **R.**
3. O Lord, hear my voice when I call; / have mercy and answer. / It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; / hide not your face. **R.**
4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness / in the land of the living. / Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. / Hope in the Lord! **R.**



SECOND READING

Rom 5: 5-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

Having been justified by his blood, we will be saved from God's anger through him.

Hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given to us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

■ The word of the Lord.

A SERVICE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST PAUL



Unauthorised reproduction of this bulletin prohibited.
Published with ecclesiastical approval by ST PAULS PUBLICATIONS, PO Box 906, Strathfield NSW 2135.
Tel 02 9394 3400 Email: sales@stpauls.com.au Scripture readings taken from The Jerusalem Bible, © 1966 Hodder & Stoughton Ltd. All rights reserved. Psalm text from The Psalms, A New Translation, © 1963, The Grail (England), HarperCollins. New translation of the Order of Mass from The Roman Missal © 2010, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Artwork by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj. Layout, commentaries and illustrations © St Pauls Publications, 2025. No 2114. Website: www.stpauls.com.au