



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Sat 6:00pm (Sunday Vigil)
Sun 7:00am, 9:00am
Sun 11am (Syriac)
Sun 5:30pm (during Advent & Lent)

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mon 7:00am; Tue 7:30pm;
Wed 7:00am; Thu 9:00am
Fri 7:00am & 7:30pm (1st Friday)
Sat 8:00 am

HEALING MASS (ANOINTING OF THE SICK)

2nd Friday of the month at 7.00am

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Every Wednesday after the 7am Mass until
Thursday 8:30am & 1st Friday of the month –
8:15pm until 7:30am Saturday morning

BAPTISMS

1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays of the Month.

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 8:45am; Saturday 8.30am and
5.15pm; 1st Friday of each month 8:15pm

HOLY MATRIMONY & RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION) FOR ADULTS

Please contact the Parish Office

ROSARY

After weekday mass.
Second Saturday of the month at 7.30am
Last Friday of the month at 6:30am

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chair – Matthew Dahms
Secretary – Patrick Collins
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PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Chair – John Thomas
Secretary – Sabrina Menezes

LITURGICAL COMMITTEE

Chair – Dawn Penna,
Secretary - Marian Brooks

20th September 2026 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Theme: God Has Not Forgotten You. He is Generous



There is something very powerful in today's Gospel.

Some workers were called early in the morning. Others were called later. Some were called at noon. Others were standing in the marketplace until the fifth hour of the day almost as if they had been forgotten. But the landowner still went looking for them.

That is the first message for someone today:

God has not forgotten you. Maybe you look at other people's lives and feel they have arrived before you. For example; Someone got married before you. Someone got a job before you. Someone started a business before you. Someone received an opportunity you have been praying for. Someone's life seems to be moving while yours appears stuck.

But today's Gospel reminds us: God's timing is not our timing.

The workers who came late were not useless. They simply had not yet been called. And when their opportunity came, they went into the vineyard. Perhaps you feel you started late. Maybe you think, "I should have achieved this years ago."

But don't allow comparison to convince you that your season has passed.

If God is still calling you, your story is still unfolding.

Isaiah tells us that God's thoughts are higher than our thoughts and His ways higher than our ways.

We often want God to explain everything before we trust Him.

But faith sometimes means saying:

"Lord, I don't understand Your timing, but I trust Your wisdom."

There is another lesson in the Gospel: the workers who came first became angry because those who arrived later received the same payment.

They compared. And comparison robbed them of the joy of what they themselves had received.

How often do we do the same? Instead of thanking God for our blessing, we become troubled by someone else's blessing. Instead of saying, "Thank You, Lord, for what You have done for me," we ask, "Why did You give them more?"

But God's generosity toward another person does not reduce what He has prepared for you. Someone else's testimony is not the cancellation of yours. Their door opening does not mean your door is closed. Their blessing does not mean God has run out of blessings. And their timing is not your timing.

Paul reminds us today that whether he lives or dies, his desire is that Christ be glorified through his life. That should become our prayer too:

"Lord, let my life glorify You, whatever season I am in."

If you are in the morning season serve God. If you are in the afternoon season—serve God. If you feel you are in the final hour still serve God. It is never too late to answer God's call. And perhaps that is the word someone needs today: Your life is not late in God's hands. What looks delayed to you may still be perfectly positioned within God's plan. You are not late. You are not forgotten. When God calls your name, your season can begin even in the final hour.

Fr Vincent Elimah CSSp

Safeguarding Commitment

Holy Spirit Parish has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in our activities, ministries and services.

SUNDAY READINGS

(Sunday readings are also on our Parish Website)

FIRST READING Isaiah 55:6-9 (JB)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (JB)

R. The Lord is near to all who call him.

SECOND READING Philippians 1:20-24, 27 (JB)

GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16 (JB)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Mass Intentions

Sat 19th 8:00am

6:00pm Marg Wallace (RIP)

Sun 20th 7.00am Andrew Powell (RIP)

Vytautas Mika (1st yr RIP Anniv)

9.00am Jupiter Go (RIP Anniversary)

Maria David (Birthday)

Mon 21st 7.00am Thanksgiving for the recovery of
Lewis Mika

Tue 22nd 7.30pm Holy Souls in Purgatory
Threesia (RIP Anniversary)

Wed 23rd 7.00am All Souls in Purgatory

Thu 24th 9.00am

Fri 25th 7.00am Pat Johnston (RIP)

Sat 26th 8.00am

Upcoming Events

Sep 29th Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael (Archangels)

Oct 7th Our Lady of the Rosary

Oct 17th Parish Dinner – 7pm

Oct 10th Rosary Procession after Mass

Oct 23rd Thanksgiving Mass for Volunteers

Oct 29th Fr Rozo Healing Mass

Nov 1st All Saints Day

Nov 2nd All Souls Day Masses: 7am, 12 noon;
5.30pm Mass & Blessing at Lawnton
Cemetery

Nov 9th Dedication of Lateran Basilica

Nov 11th Remembrance Day

Nov 22nd Solemnity of Christ the King

IGNITE CONFERENCE 2026 — Brisbane, 24–27 September

Ignite Conference is coming to Brisbane! For over 25 years, this national Catholic conference has been inspiring young people and building up parishes and schools through powerful rallies, keynotes, workshops, and Mass. Held at St Laurence's College, South Brisbane, from Thursday 24 to Sunday 27 September, it's a wonderful opportunity for young people especially — as well as families, leaders, and teachers — to encounter Christ and be renewed in faith. We warmly encourage the young people of our parish to take part! If you'd like to take part, you are most welcome to talk to Father Chinua or Father Vincent.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Monday 21st September at 1pm in the Meeting Room.

All volunteers who need to refresh their training are warmly invited to attend.

THANK YOU

The Mika family would like to thank the parish for all their prayers and support for Lewis Mika and his family as he recovers in hospital.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR – ALL WELCOME! 🎵

All children are warmly invited to join our Children's Choir for the 9am Children's Mass on Sunday, 4th October.

Come along to our practice sessions on:

- Sunday 27th September at 10:30am in the Parish meeting room
- Saturday 3rd October at 2:30pm in the Church.

No experience is needed – come along, make new friends and enjoy singing together!

CHANGE IN BIBLE PROCESSION'S NAME, TIMING AND BOOK

From the first Sunday in October (04.10.26) Bible Procession shall be done with the Book of the Gospels, rather than the Lectionary, hence, its name shall change from Bible Procession to Gospel Procession. The Gospels have a prime place in Christian's life and Liturgy; thus, it is more appropriate that Bible Procession be done with the Book of the Gospels to highlight the significance of the Gospels.

The Gospel Procession shall take place after the first and the second readings have been read. As the alleluia/glory and praise is sung following the second reading, the first reader shall process with the Book of the Gospels which shall be handed to the priest at the foot of the sanctuary. On receiving the Book of the Gospels, the priest shall process with it to the ambo where he reads the Gospel passage from it.

At the end of mass, no reader joins the recess procession since the Book of the Gospels shall not be carried during this procession. (Note: normally when a deacon processes with the Book of the Gospel at the beginning of mass, he does not process with it at the end of mass because the Book of the Gospel has performed its role in the mass).

NOTICE FOR WEEKDAY MASS READERS

On solemnities and feast days, the readings are taken from the "proper" of the solemnity or feast day. On memorials and optional memorials, the readings are taken from the weekday (ferial), unless the presider instructs otherwise.

Archbishop Shane Mackinlay

WARMLY INVITES COUPLES
WHO ARE CELEBRATING
50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE AND ABOVE
TO THE ANNUAL

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Cathedral of St Stephen
Saturday, 26th September 2026
11:30am

Family and friends are welcome to attend

LIVESTREAMING THE SUNDAY 9AM MASS

As a way of keeping connected with our aged and sick parishioners, the parish is looking to begin livestreaming our Sunday 9am Mass. Not everyone in our community is able to be with us in person. The livestream would allow us to continue to connect with them in prayer and for them to still feel part of the parish family.

MULTICULTURAL SUNDAY — THANK YOU AND REVIEW MEETING

Thank you to everyone who made this year's Multicultural Sunday such a joyful celebration. We now invite you to a review meeting after the 9am Mass on Sunday 27th September, to reflect on the day and start planning for next year. Your ideas and feedback will help make 2027 even better

DATE CLAIMER – PARISH DINNER – 17th OCTOBER

The dinner is to be held in the Parish Hall, immediately following Saturday evening Mass. A catered buffet meal is being planned, roast meats, vegetables, salads, dessert, tea and coffee. (B.Y.O. Alcohol). This will be a special evening for our Parish community and we hope it will be well attended. Please mark this date in your calendar. More details will be available soon. Thank you, (Organising Committee).

Vince Lester, Pat Casey, Suzanne Connor, Eddie & Silvia Perazzoli, Rosemay Cherval, Bryan Doyle, Carolyn Tanner, Vincent Stufano and family, Sr Lina Vaschina, Anna Maria Vaschina, Christina Grace Hambling, Josie Longo, Marco Polo Tanzi, Gerry Demenzes & Maria

Julian Sharry, John Griinke, Eric Ferdinands, Mary Griffin, Anthony Carroll, Jaquie Kyan, James McKeever, Tom Raffin, Wally Saxby, Ken Watson, Clifford Groth, John Kann, Eileen Lewis, Ron Doling

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Pick-up time/venues: **6.00am Holy Spirit Church, Bray Park,**
6:30am Bus Stop in front of the Redcliffe Police Station,
Redcliffe; 7:00am Sacred Heart church, Sandgate; 7:15am Bus
Stop along Handford Rd opposite St. Flannan's church,
Zillmere; 7:30am Bus Stop along Appleby Rd. opposite Queen
of Apostles church, Stafford. For booking and further info:
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Tae Kwon Do classes held at Holy Spirit School every Wednesday afternoon. All ages welcome. Established since 1988. Please call Damian or Daisy on 0438 860 967 for more information.

	6pm Saturday	7am Sunday	9am Sunday
Readers	Doreen Mones Bernie Piovesan	Paul Ferris Sherine Tobias	Joyce Cubillan Crisalyn Tenio
Special Ministers	Sacristan Doreen Mones Carleen Augustus, Bernie Piovesan	Sacristan Lito De La Vega Marie Hird, Agimary Joseph, Mia Young	Sacristan Bryan Irvine Veronica Topindik, Bryan Irvine, Joyce Cubillan, Alvin Cubillan, David Waken
Altar Servers			Francis & Peter Fernando, Theresa
Data Projection	Michael Heyne	Paul Ferris	
Music		Emmanuel Choir	Couples for Christ Australia
Hospitality			Couples for Christ Australia