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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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Chair – John Thomas
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LITURGICAL COMMITTEE

Chair – Dawn Penna,
Secretary - Marian Brooks

4th October 2026 - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Theme: We Are God's Vineyard



Dear brothers and sisters,

Today, the readings remind us that we are God's vineyard. God has given us many blessings, and He expects us to produce good fruits. It is possible to receive God's blessings without producing the fruit He desires. We can receive grace but remain bitter. We can receive scripture but refuse

to obey it. We can go to church but refuse to forgive. We can pray for blessings but refuse to become a blessing. We can say we love God but treat each other badly. God is not only interested in what we receive from Him but He is interested in what grows through us.

In the first reading, Isaiah speaks about a man who carefully planted and cared for his vineyard. He did everything possible for it to produce good grapes, but instead it produced wild grapes.

The vineyard represents God's people. God cares for us, protects us, and gives us many blessings. In return, He expects us to live good and faithful lives.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us about the tenants who were given a vineyard to take care of. When the owner sent his servants to collect the fruits, the tenants rejected and mistreated them. Finally, the owner sent his son, but they killed him.

The Gospel reminds us that everything we have, comes from God. Our life, our families, our talents, our work, our homes and our opportunities are gifts from God. We are only stewards. One day, God will ask us: What fruits have you produced with what I gave you?

What are these fruits? They are love, kindness, forgiveness, honesty, generosity, prayer, patience and service to others.

Sometimes we can be like the tenants. We may receive many blessings from God but forget that they come from Him. We may use what God has given us only for ourselves.

St. Paul gives us good advice in the second reading: do not be anxious, but bring everything to God in prayer with thanksgiving. When we pray and trust God, His peace will fill our hearts.

Therefore, let us ask ourselves today: Am I producing good fruits for God? Is my family seeing love in me? Are my neighbours experiencing kindness from me?

*Can people see Christ through my words and actions?

Let us remember that God has entrusted His vineyard to us. Let us take good care of it and produce fruits that will please Him.

May our lives become a beautiful vineyard where God finds love, peace, forgiveness and goodness.

Fr. Vincent Makokhah Elimah, C.C.Sp.

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 5:1-7 (JB)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 79:9, 12-16, 19-20 (JB)

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

SECOND READING Philippians 4:6-9 (JB)

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-43 (JB)

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.' The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Mass Intentions

Sat 3rd	6:00pm	Mary & Lawrence D'Ekenaike (RIP)
Sun 4th	7.00am	Maximiliana Go (RIP Anniversary)
	9.00am	Alan Davis (Birthday)
		Soul of Mary Vieyra (RIP)
Mon 5th	7.00am	Mariano Sy Alvarada
Tue 6th	7.30pm	Dorcas Leema (RIP)
Wed 7th	7.00am	Various intentions of the Legion of Mary
		Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thu 8th	9.00am	Rosa Montegrando (80 th Birthday)
Fri 9th	7.00am	Jean-Luc Uzice (Special Intention)
Sat 10th	8.00am	Morris Rigor Jr (1 st RIP Anniversary)

Upcoming Events

Oct 7 th	Our Lady of the Rosary
Oct 10 th	Rosary Procession after Mass
Oct 17 th	Parish Dinner – 7pm
Oct 23 rd	Thanksgiving Mass for Volunteers
Oct 29 th	Fr Roza Healing Mass
Nov 1 st	All Saints Day
Nov 2 nd	All Souls Day Masses: 7am, 12 noon; 5.30pm Mass & Blessing at Lawnton Cemetery
Nov 8 th	Blessing of the Columbarium
Nov 9 th	Dedication of Lateran Basilica
Nov 11 th	Remembrance Day
Nov 13 th	Bereavement Mass
Nov 22 nd	Solemnity of Christ the King
Nov 30 th	St Andrew

YOUNG ADULTS MONTHLY MEETING

All young adults aged 17 to 35 (or thereabouts) are warmly invited to our next monthly meeting on Sunday 18th October, straight after the 9am Mass, in the Parish Office. Come along to meet new friends, share the faith and help plan our upcoming activities

PARISH DINNER (17th OCTOBER): TICKETS ON SALE NOW

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 you will be able to join us. We will have entertainment, raffles, 'Slide the Coin' game, 100's Board. Please bring gold coins to join in the fun. Tickets are on sale after each Mass this Sunday and up to Sunday 11th October. Tickets will also be available from the Parish Office. Ticket prices are as follows:

Adult - \$40.00, Student (High School Age) - \$15.00, Child (4yrs to 10 yrs) - \$10.00, Children under 4 yrs – Free.. Payment via eftpos or cash. Thank you, (Organising Committee)

OZANAM CLUB – THIS WEDNESDAY

The Ozanam club meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Bowls Club Coffee Shop at 10:30am. The next meeting will be this Wednesday, the 7th October.



ROSARY PROCESSION

As part of October devotion we are having a rosary procession this Saturday October 10th after the 8am Mass. All are welcome.

KNIGHTS SILVER CIRCLE

The winner of the 8th Draw was Des Lange With ticket No 20 Congrats Des

CHANGE IN BIBLE PROCESSION'S NAME, TIMING AND BOOK



Book of the Gospels

From this Sunday the Bible Procession shall be done with the Book of the Gospels, rather than the Lectionary, hence, its name shall change from Bible Procession to the 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).

CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PLAY



After the joy of last year's Nativity Play, we're getting ready to do it again this Christmas! Children of all ages are invited.

Parents are also welcome to help with costumes and props. To register your interest, please add their name, age and a contact number to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church, or call the Parish Office on (07) 3205 1493.

FAMILY VISITS

Fr Chinua and Fr Vincent would love to get to know our parish families better and are offering to visit you in your home. It's a chance to meet informally, share a cuppa, and for the priests to offer a blessing for your home and family. Visits are open to everyone: families, couples, those living on their own, and anyone who is unwell or housebound. If you'd like a visit, please add your name, address and phone number to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church. The priests will contact you to arrange a time that suits. If you are unable to get to the sign-up sheet, please call the Parish Office on (07) 3205 1493.



SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: SPRINKLING RITE AND CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

On every second Sunday of the month, starting from this month, mass begins with the Blessing and Sprinkling of Holy Water in place of the Penitential Act. This reminds us of our Baptism, when we were washed clean and first received the gift of the Holy Spirit. As our parish is dedicated to the Holy Spirit, we shall also recite together a Consecration to the Holy Spirit Prayer on that Sunday, asking the Spirit to guide, strengthen and renew our parish family.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY APPEAL.

This week, you are invited to partner with Catholic Mission and the Church in Malawi as we support families rebuilding after devastating floods and help children access education close to home.

Through projects like St Peter's Nyamikuta Primary School, the Church is creating a place where children can learn, be nourished, and grow with dignity, regardless of their background or beliefs. As we celebrate 100 years of World Mission Day, we are reminded by Pope Leo XIV that we are 'One in Christ, United in Mission'.

This World Mission Month, you are invited to share in this mission, standing with families as they rebuild their lives and create a brighter future for their children. *Name changed for privacy

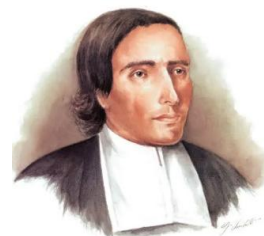
Contact: Catholic Mission

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CLAUDE POUILLART DES PLACES (1679–1709)

Founder of the Spiritans



On 2nd October we remembered Claude Poullart des Places, founder of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit. the order to which our own parish priests belong. On May 27th

1703, aged just 24, he gathered a group of poor seminarians in Paris and dedicated their community to the Holy Spirit. He died only six years later, but the Congregation of the Holy Spirit he founded now serve the poor and the missions around the world. Please keep our Spiritan priests in your prayers this week.

We pray for all of our sick parishioners and those who we have been asked to pray for, especially:

Ree, 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 Stufano,, Joe Barrett, Genevieve Marie, Lameka Eketi, Sa Tamalii, Brendan Drury, Stephen Thompson, Marg Wallace, Ellie Zemann, Clive Smith, Editha Hall, , Peter Brown, David Lowe, Clifford Naughton, Darren Searle, Henry Mencia, Victoria Murrell, Henny Van Meygaarden, People in Nursing Homes.

We Remember

Patricia Doyle, Mary Tallon Snr, Komrom Manassa Ekwona, Sylvia Moylan, Elizabeth Tobin, Dawn Hankinson, John Kane, Alice Read, Iris Williams, Joe Morgan, William Oliver, Shirley Pickerd, Anna Lovisa, Michael Oakhill, Amanda Rynne, Sarah Clifford

Recently Deceased: Betsy Van Meygaarden

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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. We shall keep you updated.

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Roster for this Sunday – Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 3rd/4th October (1st Sunday of the Month)

	6pm Saturday	7am Sunday	9am Sunday
Readers	Alan Brooks Marian Brooks	Rob Van Meygaarden Terry O'Donnell	Children's Mass
Special Ministers	Sacristan Marian Brooks Alan Brooks, Carleen Augustus,	Sacristan Lito De La Vega Nelia De La Vega, Vicki Norris, Marie Hird	Sacristan Bryan Irvine David Waken, Joyce Cubillan, Alvin Cubillan, Pele Pese, Susan Lu
Altar Servers		Maria Kunau	Klara Pacl Janelle Bose
Data Projection	Michael Heyne	Paul Ferris	
Music		Emmanuel Choir	"Spirit Alive" Choir
Hospitality			Indian Community