



FIRST READING: 2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord. Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2 (R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (R.)
2. The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. (R.)
3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. (R.)

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal - but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal

glory that comes with it. Here is a saying that you can rely on: If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 Thessalonians 5:18
Alleluia, alleluia!
For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'



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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday - 6pm SPP Goulburn
6pm Taralga
Sunday -8am (OLOF), 10 am (SPP)
9am (Crookwell)
Binda -10.30am (1st Sunday)
Marulan -8.30am (2nd Sun)
Tarago -8.30am (3rd Sun)
Bungonia:7pm, Thurs Rosary

CONFESSIONS

SPP: 11.30 -12 (Fri), Sat 5.15pm
OLOF: Sat. 9.30am -10am
Taralga: 4.30pm (1st Sat)
Crookwell: 8.30am (2nd Sun)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

SPP 11am Fridays
Holy Hour: 2nd & 4th Tuesday 5.30pm OLOF
Guided Adoration Fridays, 5.30-6pm OLOF

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday -5pm (OLOF),
Wednesday, Thursday 7.30 am OLOF,
Friday-9.30am St Mary's Crookwell
Friday -12 noon (SPP)
Sat -9am (OLOF)

Mass Offerings: Please send to office, or central collection boxes.

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MISSION CALENDAR DATES

OCT 18: Men's Breakfast 7.15 for 7.30 -9am Tatts.
OCT 15: Baptism Preparation 7.30pm SPP Pres.
OCT 17: Marian Procession Practice 4pm SPP
OCT 17: Taralga Prayer Group 10am convent
OCT 26: Marian Procession 10am-3pm
NOV 8: Memorial Mass OLOF 9am Saturday
NOV 23: Christ the King of the Universe.

REFLECTION:

We are usually pretty good at creating an 'us' against a 'them' mentality. Think of sports team, different areas of your town/city, genders, ethnic origins, political parties, religions.....the list goes on. It can be a wakeup call to recognise when we use 'we' or 'us' in a sentence.

The readings today make a big call for widening that sense of 'We', or recognising the value in the 'other'. Perhaps we can be proud of our faith, culture, etc, but also open to learn and appreciate whatever lies outside of them. For Elisha, it was Naaman the commander of the Syrian army. For Paul, it was the Jewish people- 'those who are chosen'. And for Jesus and his disciples, it was the Samaritan leper. The best examples of faith are in those we least expect. And, like Paul, we can even suffer for those who are not like us. In reaching across the invisible boundaries between us, we might discover something wonderful. The 'other' may bless our lives in unlikely ways, and we may bless them. Our differences are not so great after all. What a reason to celebrate! That is surely a reason to return and give thanks to God.

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Contains the Bible readings set down for each day of the liturgical year with reflections by eminent spiritual writers.

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An invitation has been extended to the parishioners of Christ the King, Taralga, to attend the church service at St Stephens Presbyterian Church on Sunday 19th October 2025 at 10am celebrating 180 years of worship in Taralga. Morning Tea and a visit to 'Harrapool' will follow.

MEMORIAL MASS
November 8th 2025
OLOF
Saturday 9am

Planned Giving
Direct debit paperwork
available In church
foyers or office.

Guided Family Adoration
Friday 5.30-6pm OLOF
Young families are invited to
come pray together.

Sponsor Couples Needed – Goulburn
Engaged couples in the Goulburn area seek marriage in the Catholic Church. Some are actively involved in church life but for many, marriage preparation will be their first contact with the Church in many years. We are seeking active members of Goulburn Parish who have been married 10 years or more and who would be happy to accompany a local engaged couple in their journey towards Catholic marriage.
marriage.preparation@cq.org.au or call Helena on 0405 440 463 for an obligation-free chat.

St SAVIOURS CATHEDRAL CRAFT GROUP
2nd Friday of the month in the St Thomas
Room Rev'd Theresa 0408 762 651

Parish Men's Breakfast Saturday 18th Oct
EARLIER START- 7.15am to 9am
Tattersalls Goulburn 0419 019 304
Guest Speaker- Colin Groves on his work in the Mission- W.A.
RSVP Michael Lamarra on 0419 019 304

Marian Procession October 26th
10am- Morning tea,
11am Mass SPP
12 pm Ecumenical Procession
1.30 Youth Rally St Saviours Hall
1.30 Lunch, BBQ
2.30 Veneration of the relics
4pm Close of days events

PARISH ASSEMBLY
Saturday November 29
Begins at OLOF 9am Mass
10am- 2pm
St Joseph's School Hall

Recently Deceased: Pat Bourke, Helene (Jan) Dyring, Bruce Gay, Eusabio Roxas, Blake Shorrock, Linda Mercer, Beverly Carmichael, Zenda Joyce O'Brien, Gregory Slade, Steven Keough, Joan Costello, William Griffin, Hans Maiszner, Bishop Pat Power,

Anniversaries: John Probert, Keith Pincott, Nora Trompp, Graham White, Ray Eggleston, Anthony Gardener, Marilou George, Frank Probert, Maxine Probert, Drago Bortiek, Mr & Mrs Bott, Sr M. Dympna Clancy RSJ, Joan Canning, Natalie Misfud,

Prayers: Ruth Read, Mark Taylor, Alba Agius, Marilyn Mullen, Srs of Mercy, Chelsea Martin, Dot McCabe- 100 years old! Jo Pugh, Breeze Family, Emma Landow, Sr Anne McIntosh, John Murrell, Christopher White, Leslie King, Dorothy Brewer



Entrance Antiphon: Psalm 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

Communion Antiphon: Cf Psalm 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no
blessing.

Fr Lim's' Bulletin Article

Marriage, Family and Society

The grim picture presented by divorce statistics tell us that during the last three years the divorce rate in the U.S has gone above 43%, although it is still less than that in Russia (65%), Sweden (63%), U.K (49%) and Australia (49%). A greater number of divorces occur within the Christian Churches than in marriages made outside the Church.

Christ's explicit teaching on marriage and divorce, the Divine origin of marriage, the sacredness of family life, and the indissolubility of marriage are difficult messages to preach in a society that embraces co-habitation and ignores both the escalating divorce statistics and the dangerous consequences of divorce.

Today's Scripture readings are about the bond of love that marriage creates between a man and a woman, a bond that God intends to be permanent. These readings challenge the spouses to practise the fidelity of their ever-faithful God, honouring their holy covenant commitment before Him.

The Gospel teaches that family life is sacred, that husband and wife are partners with equal rights and that the destruction of the family by divorce is producing the destruction of society. Both spouses need to work hard to create a good marriage: Marriage demands that each should become the right person for the other. It means building a union based on committed, sharing and forgiving, sacrificial agape love.

This requires a lot of mutual adjustments; mutual generosity and mutual good will to forgive and ask for forgiveness; sincere cooperation in training children and raising them as practising Catholic Christians; and daily strength from God, obtained through personal and family prayers and punctual participation in the parish liturgy.



October Rosary

Pope Leo XIV recently invited the faithful to pray the Rosary every day during October to invoke God's gift of peace, and announced a Rosary in St. Peter's Square on October 11 as part of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality that takes place on October 11-12.

