



Our Lady of Lourdes

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PARISH WAUCHOPE
ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, BEECHWOOD &
ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, LONG FLAT
Fr Anselm Okeke, Parish Priest

25th Sunday In Ordinary Time– Year C
20th & 21st September 2025



Parish News

There is no weekday mass on Thurs 25th Sept 2025

Sacrament of Confirmation

We extend our thanks to teachers and families of the 17 children who have received the Holy Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday evening. For the Children, may the Holy Spirit continue to guide you.

Parish Events

Fri 26th Sept:
Bundaleer Mass
11:00am

Sat 4th Oct:
Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi –
Bring your pets, 2pm –3pm

Wed 8th Oct:
Baptism Preparation Meeting,
5.30pm



Feast of St Francis of Assisi – 4th October 2025
Saint Francis of Assisi is the Patron Saint of Animals,
Archaeologists and Ecology among other things.

The Feast of St Francis of Assisi – Bring Your Pets!

Join us at Our Lady of Lourdes Wauchope Parish between 2–3pm and bring your furry friends to celebrate how blessed life is with animals & nature!
Please keep your pets on a leash / under control on the day.

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Return to the Simplicity of the Gospel Retreat – Sat, 11 Oct 2025, arrival from 9:30am

Deacon Shane and Leanne Hyland invite you to join them for a day of prayer, reflection, and renewal in the beautiful setting of the Francis Retreat, Bonny Hills.

- Register here:
<https://www.livingspirituality.com.au/>

Announcements

1. RCIA and RRFC Network

We are establishing a network in the Diocese of Lismore for those who work in the ministry of RCIA for unbaptised people and RRFC for Christians entering into full communion with the Catholic Church. This is not for catechumens or candidates. The first meeting is Tuesday October 7, 7-8 pm. Please register, with your name and parish, to receive a zoom link via email to Deacon Anthony Gooley agooley@lismore.catholic.org.au

2. YA Camp

Join the December near Murwillumbah for YA Festival – 4 days of camping, worship and peace designed for young adults (aged 18–30).

✨ Subsidies are available through the Diocese to help you get there.

Find out more and [register here](#) 📅 Registrations close 14 Nov 2025.



3. St Vincent De Paul Society – If you have one or two spare mornings per month, with empathy and concern for others, as well as a listening ear, Vinnies Wauchope would like you to consider joining our friendly assistance team. Training will be provided as well as support from our fellow Members. Please contact Briony Moore on 02 5776 0222 or email Lismore.Applications@vinnies.org.au

4. Diocesan Pastoral Council; Call for Nominations – The Council brings together clergy, religious and laity to advise the Bishop and reflect on the needs of the Diocese. Nominations are accepted online at <https://bit.ly/LismoreDPC>. Information also available on back table.



For women like Sharon, who must choose between feeding their children or selling their crops to survive, and Grace, who risked her life traveling 160km for safe childbirth, hope comes through Sr Jane and Kayula. Through sustainable farming, Sr Jane helps women provide for their families. At the Chilonga Mission Hospital, Kayula ensures mothers and babies receive the dignity and care they deserve.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance the vital work of the Church. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope to the people of Zambia.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/mission



Safeguarding Children and Young People?

We ask that parents are accompanying and **supervising** their own **children** at **all times**. Your child's safety is our priority; please ensure you can always see them whilst on **Parish grounds**.

Safeguarding Office:
P: 02 6621 9444 (Chancery)
E: safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au



The Catholic Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office
the Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contactable if you have any Safeguarding concerns. We will listen to you respectfully; offer support and discuss options you have available to you. Contact the Safeguarding Office -
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Email: safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au



FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7
A reading from the prophet Amos

The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R. see vv.1. 7

(R.) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor. or (R.) Alleluia!

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! **(R.)**
2. High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? **(R.)**
3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. **(R.)**



SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-8
A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 2 Corinthians 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.
Alleluia!



GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?'

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'



Mass Intentions

From

- 1.
2. Suzanne Cooper
3. Jenny Woods

Intention

Sick Members of Parish Community
Edward Lawrence Speight
Ted Biefeld

Liturgy Roster

27th & 28th SEPT 2025 READERS

- Saturday Vigil 6.00PM – Ken Ogilvie
- Sunday 7.30AM – Lyn Murphy

4th & 5th OCTOBER 2025 READERS

- Saturday Vigil 6.00PM – Robyn Mackey
- Sunday 7.30AM – Kerrie Monkley

11th & 12th OCTOBER 2025 READERS

- Saturday Vigil 6.00PM – Kathy-Ann Henderson
- Sunday 7.30AM – Peter Murphy

CHURCH CLEANING: Marianne Agnello (to 28th Sept 2025)

CHURCH LINEN: Nola Fabris (September)

Parish Liturgies

OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WAUCHOPE

- **Reconciliation:** Saturday 5.30PM
- **Vigil Mass:** Saturday 6PM
- **Sunday Mass 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th:** 7.30PM
- **5th Sunday:** 9AM

Tuesday

- Mass 10.30AM
- Rosary (weekly): 11AM

Wednesday – Mass 8.00AM

Thursday – Mass 8.00AM

Friday

- Adoration 11.15AM
- Mass 12 noon

ST PATRICK'S, BEECHWOOD

- Mass 1st & 3rd Sunday 9.30AM

ST PETERS LONG FLAT

- Mass 2nd & 4th Sunday 9.30AM

BUNDALEER MASS

- 4th Friday of the month at 11:00AM



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DIOCESAN INVESTMENT FUND

Pays 3.65%. Effective 1 August 2025. The Port Macquarie office of the DIF is open Monday to Friday 9.00am – 1.00pm. Phone Veronica or Mary for any enquiries on 6583 7439.