



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

30th Sunday In Ordinary Time– Year C
25th & 26th October 2025



Parish Events

November Masses

31 Oct, 9.30am Mass

(School and public) **NO MIDDAY MASS**

1 Nov, 9am – All Saints Day Mass

1 Nov, 6pm Vigil Mass (All Souls)

2 Nov, 7.30am – All Souls Day Mass

Wed 5th Nov:

Baptist Preparation Meeting

Wed 19th Nov 2025:

LOL Volunteer Mass & Dinner

Sat 22nd Nov 6pm:

Children's Liturgy / Family Mass

Fri 28th Nov 11am:

Bundaleer Mass

SAVE THE DATE:

Wed 17th Dec

Carols at Our Lady of Lourdes

More details coming



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Parish News

Today's Gospel at a Glance

The main theme of today's Gospel is that truer humility and sincere repentance for our sins must be the hallmark of our prayers.

However, the central focus of today's parable is not merely on prayer itself, but on the danger of pride, the necessity or genuine humility, and the indispensable role of God's grace in our salvation.

Let us, therefore, approach God with humble hearts, acknowledging our needs for His mercy, so that His grace may transform us and make our lives a reflection of His love.



November Masses

The month of November is traditionally dedicated by the Church to remembering all who have died.



Please use the **November Mass envelopes** found in the church pews or at the back of the church. Kindly print names clearly. One list of names will be displayed in our churches, and another will be placed on the altar. All Masses in November will be offered for those listed.

Joke of the Week

Sunday Pharisees: "I never come to Church for Sunday Mass" boasted a wandering parishioner to his pastor. "Perhaps you have noticed that, Father?" "Yes, I have noticed that," said the Pastor. "Well, the reason I don't come is that there are so many hypocrites here." "Oh, don't let that keep you away," replied the Pastor with a smile. "There is always room for one more."

Announcements

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SURVEY

Share your feedback!

[Tell us about your experience](#) at Our Lady of Lourdes Wauchope parish and share your ideas on what parish life could look like in the future!

Complete online or paper copies available on back table.



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PRAYERS FOR HSC STUDENTS

To include a student doing the HSC this year in our prayers, please add their name to the sheet at church or email the parish office:

admin@ololwauchope.com.au

OLOL Wauchope Volunteers Dinner

Father Anselm extends an invitation to our active parish volunteers to attend a special 5.30pm mass followed by a light dinner on **Wednesday 19th Nov 2025**. To RSVP, please [register online here](#) or contact the parish office.

We ♥ our
Volunteers

RSVP
HERE



Thank ♥ you



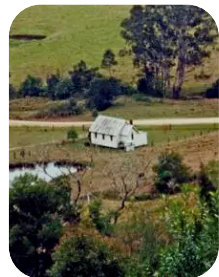
50th Anniversary of OLOL Wauchope

Next year we will be celebrating the 50-year Anniversary of our church building. We are asking for any historical pictures, memorabilia and information on the building's 1976 opening that we can include in the celebrations. Please contact the Parish office to assist.



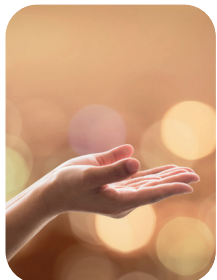
YA Camp

Join the YA Festival this December near Murwillumbah – 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. ✨ [Register here](#) 📅 Regos **close 14 Nov 2025**.



Pappinbarra All Saints Community Church

Father Anselm will be conducting mass at Pappinbarra All Saints Community Church on **Sun 23rd Nov 2025, 2pm**.



Women's prayer and reflection day

A Women's prayer and reflection day will be held at OLOL Wauchope on **Sat 15th Nov 2025**. The day will be facilitated by Sister Di and Sister Ninfa. Faith formation session: 10–2pm, contact Leanne on 0421 927 435.



THANK YOU

A sincere thank you to all that continue to support our parish through **Planned Giving** and **weekly collections**. Your generosity supports the ongoing mission and pastoral life of our parish community. Thank you also for your contributions to the **Presbyterium Fund** (1st Collection) which assists the priests of our Diocese. Your continued support of both Parish and Clergy is greatly appreciated. *Fr Anselm*

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 - Phone: **(02) 6621 9444** or Email: safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au



FIRST READING: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 32:2-3. 17-19. 23. R. v.7

(R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. **(R.)**
2. Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. **(R.)**



SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 2 Corinthians 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!



GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The publican returned to his home justified; the pharisee did not.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Mass Intentions

From

- 1.
2. Irene and Bernie O'Grady
3. Kerrie Monkley & Clare Daley
4. Clare Daley
5. Anne Thornton

Intention

Sick Members of the Parish Community
Sharyn Gapps
Carmen Dawson
Joseph Corkhill
Don Ryan

Liturgy Roster

25th & 26th OCTOBER 2025 READERS

- Saturday Vigil 6.00PM: FAMILY MASS
- Sunday 7.30AM: Brad Vergano

1st & 2nd NOVEMBER 2025 READERS

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

8th & 9th NOVEMBER 2025 READERS

- Saturday Vigil 6.00PM: Leanne Hyland
- Sunday 7.30AM: Kerrie Monkley

CHURCH LINEN:

Kerrie Monkley (Oct) | Anne Thornton (Nov)

CHURCH CLEANING:

- Jenny Caller & Kerrie Monkley (12-25 Oct 2025)
- Ken Ogilvie & Ian Adams (26th Oct - 8th Nov)



Parish Liturgies

OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WAUCHOPE

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

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



**Diocesan
Investment
Fund**

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.