Our Lady of the Rosary Parish
KENMORE – MOGGILL

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A — 15th November 2026

Pastor's Message

The rich man in this weekend's Gospel was well aware of the abilities of his servants. Before he set out on his journey he entrusted his property "to each in proportion to his ability." He knew what each of his three servants was able for, and he only gave as much responsibility to each of them as each could carry. The man who received five talents of money was capable of making five more; the one who received two talents was capable of making two more; the one who received one talent was capable of making one more. The first two servants worked according to their ability. The third servant did not, giving his master back the one talent he had been given, instead of the two talents he was capable of gaining. What held this servant back from working according to his ability was fear. "I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground."

Many of us may find ourselves having some sympathy for the third servant, because, deep down, we are only too well aware how fear can hold us back and prevent us from doing what we are well capable of doing. Fear can be a much more powerful force in the lives of some than others. There can be many reasons for this. Those who have experienced a lot of criticism growing up can be slow to take a risk and may develop a fearful approach to life. Praise the young and they will make progress. Criticize the young and they will be held back. Unfair criticism can stunt our growth and prevent us from reaching our God-given potential. We hide what we have been given in the ground. There it remains safe, but useless.

Jesus was only too well aware of the disabling power of fear in people's lives. It is striking the number of times in the gospels he addresses people with the words, "Do not be afraid." When Simon Peter fell down at Jesus' knees saying, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man," Jesus replied to him, "Do not be afraid, from now on it is people you will catch." When fear threatened to hold Peter back, Jesus called him forward into a new way of life. Jesus was present to people in ways that released them from their fear. In particular, he did not want fear of failure to hold people back. He could cope with failure in others. He knew that many people could learn from failure. There was little to be learned from staying put. There was much to be learnt from striking out, even if failure was experienced along the way.

We have each been graced in some way by the Lord for the service of others. If I hide what the Lord has given me, others are thereby deprived. Most of us need a bit of encouragement to place our gifts at the disposal of others. Cont.

Part of our baptismal calling is to give others courage, to encourage others. A couple of verses beyond where today's second reading ends, Paul writes: "Encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing." In these difficult times for the church, the ministry of encouragement is all the more necessary. There is much to be learned from the mistakes of the past, but the Lord would not want us to go to ground. Now is not the time to hide our Good News in the ground out of fear. Rather, it is a time to encourage each other to share this treasure so that the church may become all that God is calling it to be. ***God Bless, Fr Mark.***

Parish Diary

Monday 16th November
- 9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's Moggill

Tuesday 17th November - *St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious*
- 9:00am Aged Care Home Communion Visit

Wednesday 18th November
- 9:15am Communion Service, OLR Church Kenmore
- 9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's Moggill
- 6:30pm YA Adoration, OLR Chapel Kenmore

Thursday 19th November
- 9:15am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill
- 7:00pm Maranatha Prayer Group, St Catherine's Moggill

Friday 20th November
- 9:15am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore
- 3:00pm Primary School Youth Group (Launch Pad), OLR School Hall CCC
- 6:30pm High School Youth Group (Magnify), OLR School Hall CCC

Saturday 21st November - *The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
- 4:30pm Confessions, OLR Church Kenmore
- 5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

Sunday 22nd November – *Christ the King*
- 8:00am Mass & Morning Tea, St Catherine's Moggill
- 9:45am Mass & Morning Tea, OLR Church Kenmore
- 11:00am Catholicism Series, St Catherine's Moggill
- 5:30pm Mass & Sausage Sizzle, OLR Church Kenmore

Sunday Readings

1st Reading: ***Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31*** **2nd Reading:** ***1 Thessalonians 5:1-6*** **Gospel:** ***Matthew 25:14-30***

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20261115/mass.htm

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PARISH INFORMATION

Prayer Requests

If your relative or friend has been removed from this list and you wish them to remain on it, please call the Parish Office.

Recently Deceased: We remember **Elaine Martin, Mary Sharman, Ross Thomson** and all those who have died recently.

Anniversaries: We remember **Amy Deans, Uthai Tansacha, Mary & Agapito Carreira, Mary, Joseph, Jeanette, Lidia & Nelly Kiriakos** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick: We pray for **Michael Fitzgerald**, Christina Holland, Maria Bond, Karen Stanbury, Riley Connolly, Freda Kanowski, James Venables, Coral Dick, Hilda Birmingham, Liam MacCormick, Christine Blakeney, Jonathan Stekhoven, Ursula Abercrombie, Terry Hunter, Mary Kent, Bronwyn Tingley, Joyce Gough, Rick Dela Cruz, Margaret Kerwick, Bruce Leggat, Veda Francoise Cateaux, Kay Shannon, Sandia Ryan, Edwing Ling, Olivia Pinwill, Camilla Cowley, Eric Olsen, Deanna McNamara, Doris Fern, Ian Turner, Sandra Dickson, Sian Fitzpatrick, Pat Dryden, Stewart Behan, Alicea Longford, Pat Nelson, Eli Bartlett, Krystyna Kazimierczuk, Stephen Jones, Elizabeth Shand, Hayley Shatkovsky, Mario Garza, Juliet Quiterio, James McGrath, Graham Jackson, Leonard Cox, Prida Dibbayawan, Clint Quinlivan, Rosemary Foxon, Judy Kocho, Matthew Gilroy, Maria Langenberg, Nina Smart, John Green, Cherry Austin, Chris Morris, and all the sick.

Baptism

This weekend we celebrate the Baptism of **Sophia Skerman.** We pray that she is guided in faith by her parents, godparents and this community.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Congratulations to Ryan, Jemma & Susanna who receive their copy of the Creed & 1st Blessing this Sunday. Please keep them in your prayers during their time of preparation.

Funeral

Please keep in your prayers **Elaine Martin** whose Funeral Service will be held on **Friday 26th November at 11:00am** at **St Catherine's, Moggill**.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms by appointment. One Baptism per family Saturdays 11:00am or 11:45am at OLR Church Kenmore. Contact the Parish office via email or phone to enquire.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy held 3rd Sunday of each month, during 9:45am Mass Kenmore. Children prep to year six all welcome.

November Intentions – Book of Life

In both Churches during November the Book of Life will be displayed with the names of our loved ones who have entered eternal life. To include your loved one's names please complete a **November intention envelope** available from the churches. ***(please print names clearly for the book of life)***. Return the envelope on the collection plate at Mass, in the giving boxes or direct to the Parish Office. Thank you.

Parishioner Accepted to Seminary

Congratulations to **John Foxon** who has been accepted into the Holy Spirit Seminary next year. After a year of discernment, the Archbishop has invited John to commence his studies and formation to the Priesthood in 2027. We wish John well as he joins two other Kenmore parishioners, Harold and Noah, who are in formation at Holy Spirit Seminary. Please keep John and all the students in your prayers.

OLR Youth Groups

High School Youth Group Magnify (Yr.7-12)
Held Friday's during school term 6:30pm – 8:30pm @ the CCC Hall, OLR Primary School.

Primary School Youth Group Launch Pad (Yr.3-6)
Held Friday's during school term 3:00pm – 4:30pm @ the CCC Hall, OLR Primary School.

To register for OLR Youth Groups please go to https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/XGzw5fjDgu?origin=lprLink
For more information, please contact our youth coordinator, Matthew Arendse, phone 3324 3630 or email youth.kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au

OLR Vinnies Christmas Hamper Appeal

Each year, the St Vincent de Paul Kenmore Conference spreads Christmas joy to families doing it tough – and your generosity can make a real difference. This year, as the cost-of-living crisis deepens, the need for food assistance is more urgent than ever, particularly for families struggling to pay bills with little left to celebrate Christmas.

We are reaching out to invite your family to share your generosity and help bring joy to those facing financial and family challenges this holiday season. See the appeal notice and giving guide at the church paper stands or in the electronic Parish Update for how to donate. Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

Maranatha Prayer Group

Join us for Praise & Worship, Spiritual Enrichment & Prayer, followed by a cuppa and fellowship. Held on the 1st, 3rd, & 5th Thursdays of each month at 7:00pm at St Catherine's Moggill. All Welcome

Bible Study

Come join us for a 9-week study of St Paul's letter to the Hebrews. Wednesday night, commencing 27 January 2027, 7.00-8.30pm, St Catherine's, Moggill. Or do the study at home at your own pace. Study Book (essential): $12. Order book and pay through the Parish Office by **2 December.**

Your Parish Offering

For information or to review your level or method of giving please feel free to contact the Parish Manager.
For electronic funds transfer, our bank details are:
Archdiocesan Development Fund - OLR Parish Account
BSB Number: 064 786 Account Number: 100001192
(Please include your name, planned giving number if applicable, or purpose, such as "Parish Giving")

Our Lady of the Rosary Education Ministry

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish education services, please contact these for further information.

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