



THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

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9th November 2025

First Reading

Ezekiel 47:1-2. 8-9. 12

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

I see water flowing from the temple and all who were touched by it were saved.

The angel brought me to the entrance of the Temple, where a stream came out from under the Temple threshold and flowed eastwards, since the Temple faced east. The water flowed from under the right side of the Temple, south of the altar. He took me out by the north gate and led me right round outside as far as the outer east gate where the water flowed out on the right-hand side. The man went to the east holding his measuring line and measured off a thousand cubits; he then made me wade across the stream; the water reached my ankles. He measured off another thousand and made me wade across the stream again; the water reached my knees. He measured off another thousand and made me wade across again; the water reached my waist. He measured off another thousand; it was now a river which I could not cross; the stream had swollen and was now deep water, a river impossible to cross. He then said, 'Do you see, son of man?' He took me further, then brought me back to the bank of the river. When I got back, there were many trees on each bank of the river. He said, 'This water flows east down to the Arabah and to the sea; and flowing into the sea it makes its waters wholesome. Wherever the river flows, all living creatures teeming in it will live. Fish will be very plentiful, for wherever the water goes it brings health, and life teems wherever the river flows. Along the river, on either bank, will grow every kind of fruit tree with leaves that never wither and fruit that never fails; they will bear new fruit every month, because this water comes from the sanctuary. And their fruit will be good to eat and the leaves medicinal.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 45:2-3. 5-6. 8-9. R. v.5

(R.) The waters of the river gladden the city of God.

1. God is for us a refuge and strength,
a helper close at hand, in time of distress:
so we shall not fear though the earth should rock,
though the mountains fall into the depths of the
sea. (R.)
2. The waters of a river give joy to God's city,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.
God is within, it cannot be shaken;
God will help it at the dawning of the day. (R.)
3. The Lord of hosts is with us:
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
Come, consider the works of the Lord,
the redoubtable deeds he has done on the earth.
(R.)

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 3:9-11. 16-17

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

You are the temple of God.

You are God's building. By the grace God gave me, I succeeded as an architect and laid the foundations, on which someone else is doing the building. Everyone doing the building must work carefully. For the foundation, nobody can lay any other than the one which has already been laid, that is Jesus Christ.

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Gospel Acclamation

2 Chronicles 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the Lord, that my name may remain in it for all time.
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 2:13-22

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

He spoke about the temple of his own body.

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market'. Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up'. The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.



IONA-MARYKNOLL & KOOWEERUP

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Safeguarding

Our Parish is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk. **Bernie Hance**(KWR) **Marlene Dalziel** (Lang Lang)

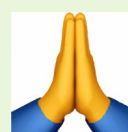
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Children from our parish will be receiving the Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation on Thursday 13th November at St John's Kooweerup
Please keep them in your prayers



Catholic Women's League Fundraiser.

Parish Dinner, Sunday Roast-Dessert.

Gluten Free available

Sunday 23rd. Nov at the Iona hall after 11am Mass
The CWL supports Seminarians. Missionaries of God's Love. FR Avi. Bible Society. Right to life and the Columbian Missionaries. Lunch is by donation.
Thank you for your support and generosity.

Please register on the lists provided in the church Foyers.

Telephone Mary 0414950629 or Liz 0437759844

ALL WELCOME!



This weekend at the Holy Family Church Maryknoll we welcome

Addison Lily Payroli

Daughter of Tyler and Jessyca

Our parish welcomes this child with joy into the Christian community and life of Christ

**..may the flame of light received today be kept alive and shine and glow for others to see and to use..
..to be a light of Christ for all.**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Our parishes acknowledges the Bunurong and Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners of this land, who have walked upon and cared for it for thousands of years.

We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

Columban Calendars 2026

2026 Calendars are available for \$10 each

Please see Anne at KWR or Liz at Iona

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Parish News and Events

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Nella Bertuna, Brian Rinaldi, Damian Power, Val Feltham, Fr Michael Willemsen, Fr Peter Slater, Natalie Hearn, Ray Rogers, Ellie Gardiner, Jacqui Vandelight and Antoinetta Ventura.

Anniversaries :

Recent Deaths: Val Feltham

"Eternal rest grant unto them , O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."

OUR OFFERINGS LAST WEEKEND

Iona: Stewardship—\$1046.00 Presbytery \$459.90
KWR: Stewardship— \$787.00 Presbytery \$459.50

*****Please note the annual special collection for the Military Ordinariate will take place at all Masses next weekend 15th/16th November*****

Thank you for your contributions, they are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

REMEMBRANCE MASSES AT KOOWEERUP and IONA

Remembrance Masses will be celebrated at St John's Kooweerup and at St Joseph's Iona
this Sunday November 9th
Followed by a cuppa

All Welcome!



ADVENT BOOKS

Advent books are available to purchase for \$5 each
Please see Anne at Kooweerup or
Liz at Iona or contact the parish office



There will be a **Safeguarding Meeting** at our parish with **Lorraine Jennings**, the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer.

This session will provide a clearer understanding of our responsibilities in safeguarding matters and how we can continue to create a safe environment for all.

****All parish volunteers are expected to attend.****

Date: Wednesday, 26th November

Time: 4:00 PM

Venue: Koo Wee Rup

Please mark this date in your diary and make every effort to be present.

Parish Reading Rosters

NOV 8th/9th	READERS	MUSIC / LEADER	SPECIAL MINISTER
NNG	Paul	Sharon	
KWR	Joan	Marlene	Gina
IONA	Lucy	Pamela	Alison
MKNOLL	Bernadette	Sharon	Jo
LANG LANG	Mick K	Marlene	
NOV 15th/16th	READERS	MUSIC/ LEADER	SPECIAL MINISTER
NNG	Theresa V	Paul	Sharon
KWR	Peter K		Anne
IONA	Sam	Pamela	Martin
MKNOLL	Kate	Gady	Sharon
LANG LANG	Marlene	MASS	

Eucharistic Ministers for the Sick

DATE	IONA-MARYKNOLL	KOOWEERUP
Nov 9th	John	
Nov 16th	Alison	

Church cleaning/flowers

MKNOLL	IONA - cleaning - flowers	NNG—cleaning
November - Sharon	Cleaning Dec 9th — Mary P, Arlyn, & Liz	2/11 to 15/11 Sharon
December—volunteers	Flowers - Nov 16th Liz	16/11 to 29/11 Karen Lawlor

FRIENDS OF JESUS DISCUSSION GROUP KWR

2nd Thursday of the month 1.00pm at St John's

****Next meeting Nov 13th ****

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US, ALL WELCOME

Parish Groups/Information

PARISH OFFICES Iona-Maryknoll parish office is located behind St James Church. 60 Nar Nar Goon Rd Nar Nar Goon -
Open Tuesdays 9.00am to 2.00pm and Friday 9.00 to 1.00—Sharon (Parish Secretary) Ph. 0456000990
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Kooweerup Parish office is located at the Presbytery. 166-168 Station Street Kooweerup (facing Salmon St) Office hours
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IONA-MARYKNOLL PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE Des Wynne (Chair), Gady Noonan (minutes) Frank Rovers, Leo
Garvey, Sharon Sparks, Ray Hearn and John Van Boxtel Next meeting: **Friday December 5th at 7.00pm NNG**

KOOWEERUP FINANCE COMMITTEE: Members—John Hester, Enzo Buccheri, Harold Keily, Peter Feltham
Parish Finance committees advise the Parish Priest on financial policies and matters of the Parish.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Iona-Mknoll reps: Sam Franzi, KWR reps: Connie Bontorno, Minutes secretary—Sharon
Sparks Ex officio members: Andrew Greco, Chris Dortmans, Bec Kolaris

Next meeting Thursday November 20th 5pm at NNG

HALL HIRE: For hire information of our Parish halls please contact - **Iona hall**— Liz Harrison. Mob. 0437759844
Fr Pooley Hall Maryknoll— Sharon Sparks. Mob. 0411500364.

ST.VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: **St Vinnies Contacts Koo We Rup /Iona Maryknoll Conference**

Referral for material aid support needs to go via the Cranbourne Call Centre on 5995 0211

Anyone interested in volunteering locally ring Deb Kerr President on 0408 971 063

Our meeting is on the 4th Sunday of the Month. The next meeting is **November 23rd 10.30am** (after Mass) at St Johns

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE: The Iona branch of the CWL meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at Iona hall

Next meeting: Wednesday 26th November 10.30am ALL WELCOME.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of
charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your
Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May
those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure
expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of
Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and
peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen



REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

'I often wonder,' Pope Leo reflects, 'even though the teaching of Sacred Scripture is so clear about the poor,
why many people continue to think they can safely disregard the poor.'

'Why complicate something so simple?', he asks, before reminding us that 'the early Christians were clearly
aware of the necessity to care for those who were most in need.' They 'did not separate belief from social
action.'

Any idea that contradicts this simple message is not truly of the Church. Lived Christianity always involves active
charity. Anything less is not truly Christian.

As the Pope reminds us, the Church is called to a profoundly mystical service. 'From the first centuries,' he says,
'the Fathers of the Church recognised in the poor a privileged way to reach God, a special way to meet him.'

Charitable works, therefore, are about more than doing good things to get to heaven. Authentically charitable
action involves the recognition of God's presence in moments of need and mercy.

The Pope wants us to remember the teachings of Saint Justin that 'it is not possible to separate the worship of
God from concern for the poor', and that of Saint Augustine that 'the poor are not just people to be helped, but
the sacramental presence of the Lord.'

[Quotes from Apostolic Exhortation *Dilexi Te*, 4 October 2025: https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/apost_exhortations/documents/20251004-dilexi-te.html]

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