

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**

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.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING**

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The story of the cleansing of the Temple is found in all four Gospels. In Matthew, Mark, and Luke, Jesus is upset with the deceitful practices of the vendors and expels them for that reason. But in John, Jesus' authority is contrasted with the authority of the Temple cult and is a criticism of the cult itself.

The story is composed of two parts, Jesus' action in the Temple and Jesus' predictions about the Temple's destruction. The time of year is the sacred feast of Passover. If the many pilgrims to Jerusalem during Passover were to have animals for the sacrificial rituals of the feast, it was necessary to sell cattle in the Temple and to change the unclean Roman money. By denouncing this, Jesus is cutting to the core of the Temple cult.

The story is really about Jesus' fate, not the Temple's fate, revealing that Jesus, not the Temple, is the locus of God's presence on earth. As they often do in John, the Jews misunderstand Jesus' words. This gives John the chance to explicitly state his point. Although this is the beginning of his ministry, Jesus is already speaking of his coming death and Resurrection.

John intentionally integrates a post-Resurrection perspective into the Gospel narrative. The statement that concludes this passage uses the fact of the Resurrection to prove the point of Jesus' words. Believers need to remember the words and actions of Jesus and claim them as affirmations of the truths of their faith.

Christians sometimes point to Jesus' anger in this passage as a way to point out Jesus' humanity. But this would miss the powerful point of the entire Gospel, that the Word became flesh. The point is not that Jesus' anger proves he is human. It is that a human being, in his words and actions, can claim the authority of God.



# Parish Bulletin

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**The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Year C**

**8/9 Nov 2025**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*He spoke about the temple of his own body.*

**YOU ARE GOD'S TEMPLE**

We have great respect for a church building and are horrified when we hear of one being desecrated by vandals. Do we also appreciate that the Christian community is God's temple, built on the foundation of Jesus Christ? Let us pray that our respect for the sacred building in which we gather for worship is reflected in the respect and reverence we have for all who make up the Body of Christ.

**PRAYER BEFORE HOLY MASS**

Heavenly father, we are about to offer this wonderful memorial of the passion and death of your Son. Bless our Priest as he stands in the person of Christ and makes present for us the great sacrifice of Calvary.

Bless our Ministers here present today-our ministers of the Eucharist, our readers, our Altar Servers, our musicians and ushers. When we reflect on the magnificence of these Sacred Ministries, we are somewhat overawed at our calling. But also we are overjoyed that You have asked us to stand at Your altar and serve You.

Help us to be reverent and to be faithful to our responsibilities. May this Eucharist that we are about to offer be a bond of unity and a sacrament of love for our people. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**FIRST READING**

**Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12**

*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. 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.'

**The word of the Lord**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Psalm 45:2-3, 5-6, 8-9**

**Response: 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**

*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.

**The word of the Lord**

**WELCOME**

**Jude, Nina, Pippa**

**WHEELER**

To God's family through  
Baptism on 9th November 2025

*Our prayers and blessings to you and your family!*



**St Vincent de Paul**

Donations of long life Goods for **Christmas Hampers** are urgently needed. Tranmere/Hectorville SVDP anticipate helping 45-50 families this Christmas. A list of suitable items is at each entrance. They may be left in shopping bags at the main entrance near the stairs until December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Also if you have any spare cloth/plastic shopping bags that could be donated, we would be most appreciative of those also at any time. On average our Vinnies members visit 1 family each day and in the last 12 months made 394 visits. (281 males, 342 females and 441 children were helped). Your generosity really gives those in need a great "hand up" and hope. Your support here at Tranmere, via donations to the Poor Box and various appeals has contributed \$5,292.50 since January this year. **THANKYOU.**

We hope that your continued generosity with our Christmas Appeal this year will bring some happiness to many.

**Columban Calendars 2026**

25 are available for purchase at \$11 each. They are at the main entrance to the church. Please put the money in the attached envelope and then put the envelope in a Poor Box.

**Christmas Cards**

Packs of 10 may be purchased for \$8 (Please do not split the packs). Please put the money in the attached envelope and then place in the envelope in any of the Poor Boxes at the entrances of the church.

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Tranmere Parish

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**Parish Office Hours**  
Tue to Fri 9:30am – 12:30pm  
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**Mass Times**

Sunday 9:30 am  
Saturday Vigil Mass 6:30 pm  
Tuesday to Friday 9:15 am

**Confessions**

Saturday 6:00 pm

**Rosary**

Tues to Fri 8:45am

**Adoration of the Eucharist**

Friday before Mass 8:30am

**Novena to St. Joseph**

Wednesday after Mass

**St. Joseph's Primary School**

Principal - Adrian Grbin  
Ph: 8217 8300

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Michael Boyle Ph: 8337 3270

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Chair – Alan Tyson Ph: 0412 389 875

**Parish Finance Council**

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**Safeguarding Contact Person**

Anne Dudzinski Ph: 0418 847 804

**Vinnies Assistance Hotline**

1300 729 202 - 9:00am to 4:30pm

**ROSTERS— 15/16 Nov 2025**  
**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Time	Commentator/Readers
<b>6.30pm Vigil</b>	Anne Marie Platten Chris Platten Giulia Giuliani
<b>9:30am</b>	Bridgette Barrett Grace Yeow Maureen Fernando
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Charlotte Bartley Antonetta Bartley
<b>Count team</b>	Frank Mazzarolo Sandy Mazzarolo Terry Pickering Christine Holmes
<b>Altar and Flowers</b>	Dolores Arboit Christina Wong Sarita Ingham and volunteers

*All those who have volunteered please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time and report to the commentator for that Mass*

**November Masses for deceased**



**November Mass for Deceased**

The month of November has traditionally been dedicated to the prayers for the deceased. Please collect the November envelopes and write the names of your loved ones you wish to pray for. A daily mass will be offered for them during the month of November.

SUNDAY COLLECTION SUMMARY	1/2 Nov 2025
Open Plate	\$588.30
Planned Giving	\$358.00
<b>PARISH TOTAL</b>	<b>\$946.30</b>
Contribution to the Diocesan Presbytery Fund	\$633.05

*Let's pray together*

**Please remember in your prayers**

We pray for those listed and all the deceased relatives and friends of our Parishioners.

For the Repose of the Soul:  
**Carnela Luppino**

Death Anniversary:  
**Maria Bien**

*Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; present them to God the Most High.*

Sick:

*We pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish and our relatives and friends who are unwell.*

**If you know of sick or elderly parishioners who are house-bound or in care and would appreciate a visit, please phone and leave a message with the parish office.**

**Morning Tea**

**Sunday 9th Nov 2025**  
**After 9:30am Holy Mass**  
**All are welcome!**

**ROSTERS 2026 & VOLUNTEERS UPDATES**

A heartfelt thank you to all who continue to support our parish through your generous service.

We are now preparing our 2026 Rosters. **If your contact details have changed, please let us know by:**

- Emailing the parish office info@stjosephsparishtranmere.org.au
- Or completing and returning the Parishioner Contact Details Form, available at all church entrance.

Your timely updates help us stay connected and organised. Thank you!

**ELECTRONIC PLANNED GIVING**

**Oct 2025: \$2,080.00**

**TAP and GO**

**Oct 2025: \$545.05**

**ARCHDIOCESE EVENTS**

**Public Rosary - Praying the Rosary for Peace**

First Saturday of every month. You are invited to join Our Lady and pray the Rosary outdoors, together united, to pray for peace in Mary MacKillop Plaza (Adjacent to St Francis Xavier's Cathedral) at 8.40am (after the 8am Mass). All welcome. For more information please contact: Mr Patrick Greenrod - Legion of Mary - 0414 769 635

**Vocations Prayer Vigil - From Heart to Heart: Journeying together in hope.**

Please join us as pilgrims in prayer journeying together in Hope to celebrate the **Vocations Prayer Vigil** in the **Cathedral on Friday November 21 from 5.15pm** beginning with Evening Prayer of the Church, Mass at 5.45pm followed by Exposition and Benediction to finish by 8.30pm followed by supper in the Cathedral Hall. The theme of the Vigil this year is '**Pilgrims: Journeying Together in Hope.**' Looking forward to your companionship in prayer.

**Pre-ACYF Gathering - Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults**

For those attending the Australia Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF), the Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults (COYYA) warmly invites all Adelaide pilgrims to our Pre-ACYF Gathering on **Thursday November 13 at 6.30pm**. This event provides an opportunity to meet fellow pilgrims, receive important pilgrimage information and begin the journey of spiritual and communal preparation for ACYF. The evening will include an address from Archbishop Patrick O'Regan, practical and formational exercises, and a free catered dinner. To register, go to linktr.ee/coyya or use the QR code



For further questions, please email [COY-YAADL@cesa.catholic.edu.au](mailto:COY-YAADL@cesa.catholic.edu.au)

**National Gathering - The World Community for Christian Meditation Australia**

The **World Community for Christian Meditation Australia** will have an in-person National Gathering on Friday evening November 28 7pm to Saturday November 29, 3.30pm at St Saviour's Anglican Church, 596 Portrush Road, Glen Osmond. The theme is "Simplicity of Stillness: living into Mystery with Meister Eckhart".

The speaker is Mark Burrows, an award-winning poet, translator and scholar in medieval mysticism. He has led retreats for WCCM in Bonnevaux, and various events for Spiritual Directors International. <https://wccmaustralia.org.au/>

**FIRST COLLECTION RENEWAL CAMPAIGN**  
**Support of the Clergy - 8th / 9th Nov 2025**

The First Collection at weekend Masses is the main means of financially supporting our Clergy, including Deacons and Retired Priests, through the Diocesan Presbytery Fund.

The Fund covers the ever-increasing cost of stipends, medical benefits, motor vehicles, and ongoing formation.

Currently, income from the Fund is covering about 70% of costs. Addressing this shortfall is crucial to ensuring we can continue to care for the evolving needs of our Archdiocesan Clergy.

When you leave Mass this weekend, please take home a fridge magnet that outlines how you can contribute - either through the First Collection at Mass or via the 'Good Giving' app and website.

**The Kids' Bulletin**

[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

**Jesus in the Temple**  
**Fill in the Blanks!**

*Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks in today's Gospel reading and use the letters in circles to fill in the blanks at the very end.*

...Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and \_\_\_\_\_ and pigeons, and the money-changers at their business. And making a \_\_\_\_\_ of cords, he drove them all, with the sheep and oxen, out of the temple; and he poured out the \_\_\_\_\_ of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; you shall not make my Father's house a house of trade." His disciples \_\_\_\_\_ that it was written, "Zeal for thy \_\_\_\_\_ will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign have you to show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "\_\_\_\_\_ this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three \_\_\_\_\_?"



Destroy \_\_\_\_\_ days  
whip \_\_\_\_\_ coins  
house \_\_\_\_\_ sheep  
remembered

**Birthday of the Church's Church!**

Today is a rather unusual feast day. On most feast days we celebrate Our Lord or Our Lady or one the saints. But today we celebrate the day that a church in Rome was started.



Did you know that every parish has a special feast day when it has its birthday or the feast day of its patron saint? The Saint John Lateran Basilica in Rome was dedicated to God, sort of like its birthday, on November 9. And because it is the Pope's main church- and all Catholics belong to his parish, we celebrate its birthday because it's our church too!

You might be wondering why we have a birthday for a building, though! Well, a church is not just an ordinary building. It is made specially for the worship of God in the Mass. A church is also a symbol of the mystical Body of Christ, which is the people who belong to His Church. Today is a good day to remember and celebrate that we are part of Jesus' Church and His family on earth!

*Answers to Fill in the Blanks: sheep, house, Destroy, days, coins, remembered, whip, sheep, house, remembered*