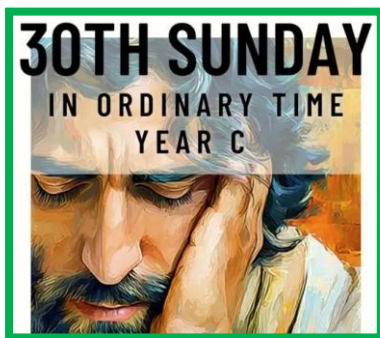




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30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) 26TH OCTOBER 2025

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30 pm
Sunday 9.30 am
11.00 am

(Spanish Mass) 12.30 nn

6.30 pm

Mon to Sat 10am & 6.30 pm

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15 am

6.00 – 6.30 pm

Mon – Fri 6:15 – 6:30 pm

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm

(Lunch from 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

Rosary

Every Wednesday after
10am Mass followed by Tea
in the Founders Room.

- Rosary also held on Sundays at
3pm in the Colonnade.

Legion of Mary

Every Tuesday after 6:30 pm mass
in the Prayer Room.

Holy Hour

1st Friday of every month after
10am Mass. The **Blessed**

Sacrament will be exposed for
Rosary, Litany Divine Mercy &
Benediction.

Safeguarding Office

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Saints Days

Mon 27th – Bl. Bartholomew of
Vigenza

Tue 28th – Sts. Simon and Jude

Wed 29th – St. Narcissus of
Jerusalem

Thu 30th – St. Alphonsus Rodriguez

Fri 31st – St. Wolfgang of Regensburg

Sat 1st – Solemnity of All Saints



St. Peregrine Mass of Healing

Our next St. Peregrine Mass of
Healing is on **29th October**
2025 (Wednesday) at 6:30pm.

Relic of Saint Carlo Acutis

Exposition of this Relic on every
Monday after our 10am Mass.

Saint Carlo, Pray for us.

Reflection

The readings for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, invite us to reflect on the nature of prayer, humility and God's justice. They call us to examine our hearts and the attitudes we are meant to cultivate in our relationship with God and with one another.

In today's 1st reading from the book of Sirach, we are reminded that God hears the cries of the oppressed and does not overlook the prayers of these who are humble. It calls to mind us that God is not influenced by external appearances or social status; rather, He hears the cries of the oppressed and the humble. Sirach emphasizes that every prayer can reach God, regardless of who we are. Even the petitions of the poor or down trodden to find their way to Him, for He is a God who cares for the lost, last and the least.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector. The Pharisee, filled with self-righteousness, stands proud in his prayers, while the tax collector, fully aware of his imperfections, humbly beats his chest and pleads for mercy. Jesus teaches us that it is the tax collector who goes home justified, illustrating that true prayer is rooted in humility and the recognition of our need for God's grace.

As we reflect on these readings, let us examine our hearts. Are we approaching God with the spirit of humility, recognizing our dependence on Him? Do we cling to our own sense of righteousness, or do we genuinely seek God's mercy?



1. **First Holy Communion** – application forms for children in Year 3 and older can now be collected from the parish office or at the colonnade. The lessons will start on 9th November. Please see the poster and visit our website for more details.
2. **Interested in becoming a Catholic? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** A course will be held for adults who have not been baptised and would like to be. Application forms for this programme are now available from the Parish Office. The session will be on 27th October 2025 (Monday) at 7:15 pm at the Founders Room.
3. **Remembrance Service** – In November we always remember our beloved Holy Souls each day at Mass. We have a Special Service on 3rd November (Monday) at 6:30 pm mass for those who have died in the past year. All are welcome to attend. You may collect the envelopes at the colonnade for the November Altar List of the Dead.
4. **Faulty Electrical Lighting System** – Our parish church is in urgent need of major repairs to the electrical lighting system. We sincerely appeal for your generous support. Thank you for your kindness and valuable assistance.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Hymn for the Jubilee Year 2025

*Like a flame my hope is burning, may my song arise to You:
Source of life that has no ending, on life's path I trust in You.*

1. Ev'ry nation, tongue, and people find a light within Your Word.
Scattered fragile sons and daughters find a home in Your dear Son.
2. Dio ci guarda, tenero e paziente: nasce l'alba di un futuro nuovo.
Nuovi Cieli Terra fatta nuova: passa i muri Spirito di vita.
3. Ang Diyos ay ating nadarama, kahit di natin nakikita.
Naging tao para sa buong mundo, susunod ako sa'n man s'ya patungo.



FIRST READING

A reading from the second book of Sirach
35:15b-17, 20-22b

The Lord is the judge, and with him is no partiality. He will not show partiality in the case of a poor man; and he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan or the widow when she pours out her story. He whose service is pleasing to the Lord will be accepted, and his prayer will reach to the clouds. The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds, and he will not be consoled until it reaches the Lord; he will not desist until the Most High visits him and does justice for the righteous and executes judgement. And the Lord will not delay.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 34(33):2-3. 17-18. 19, 23. R7a

R. The lowly one called, and the Lord heard him.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, praise of him is always in my mouth. In the Lord my soul shall make its boast; the humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**
2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked to cut off their remembrance from the earth. When the just one cries out, the Lord hears, and rescues him in all his distress. **R.**

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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. All who trust in him shall not be condemned. **R.**

SECOND READING

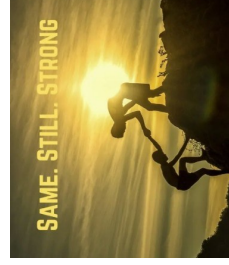
A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy
4:6-8, 16-18

Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing.

At my first defence no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

Alleluia.



GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
18:9-14

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: 'Two men went up into the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: "God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get." But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*All bow for following three lines*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.