



Our Lady of
Mount Carmel
Wentworthville

Carmel Bulletin

Sunday 19 October 2025

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr C/1



**Will God not see justice done
to his chosen who cry to him?**
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for this week's readings

First Reading: Exodus 17: 8-13
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 120:
Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3: 14- 4: 2
Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8

The first reading recounts the story of Moses holding up his hands in prayer during the battle against the Amalekites. When his hands were raised, Israel prevailed. Likewise, our faith and prayers can overcome the challenges we face every day.

St Paul encourages Timothy to remain faithful to what he has learned from Scripture. In our journey of faith, the Word of God serves as a reliable guide, offering wisdom and strength as we navigate life's challenges. St Paul's charge to Timothy to proclaim the Word is a reminder of our collective responsibility to share the Good News. Let us be inspired to actively live and share our faith, trusting in the transformative power of the Word.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus teaches us the importance of persevering in prayer through the parable of the persistent widow. Her persistence moves an unjust judge to action, highlighting the power of consistent prayer. As we meditate on today's readings, let us be like a persistent widow, holding onto hope and persisting in prayer. Our faithfulness, rooted in prayer and the Word, opens us to God's justice and sustains us in our Christian journey.

As we participate in this Eucharist this morning. We thank our God for always answering our petitions and prayers.

Cat Paulo (Parishioner)

Parish News

Parish Secretary

We would like to inform our parish community that Zenna Azar has stepped down from her role as Parish Secretary for personal reason. We thank Zenna sincerely for her service, commitment, and contribution to our parish. As we begin the process of recruiting a new secretary, there may be some temporary delays or limited office support. We kindly ask for your patience and understanding during this transitional time. Thank you for your continued support.

– Fr. Janu, Parish Priest

Lectio Divina – Weekly Sessions

We invite you to join us for the weekly Lectio Divina sessions at 6:00pm every Wednesday in the "Red Room". For more information or to prepare, please click on the links: [Introduction to Lectio Divina](https://www.carmelites.org.au/5173-lectio-divina-october-2025-pdf)
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November- Mass Intentions for the Deceased

🕯️ During the month of **November**, we remember and pray for **all our deceased loved ones**.

A **Memorial Book** is placed at the **front of the altar** with the names of those we are asked to pray for.

📖 If you would like the name(s) of your **deceased family or friends** to be included in the Memorial Book, please use the **November Mass Envelopes**, available from the **Narthex**.

✍️ To avoid disappointment, please print names clearly.

🙏 Please note:

As we offer prayers at every Mass during November for all the deceased whose names have been submitted, **Mass Intentions specifically for the deceased are not accepted during this month**.

However, **Mass Intentions for the living** and for those who have **recently passed away** will still be accepted.

Let us unite in prayer for the repose of all souls.

Celebrations for All Souls Day

This year, All Souls Day will fall on a Sunday. Our annual blessing of the plaques in our parish memorial garden will be celebrated at the **conclusion of the 6:00 pm Saturday evening Mass on 1 November**. We invite all parishioners, especially those whose loved ones are remembered in the garden, to join us.



Liturgy Corner

Ensuring a Safe, Hope-Filled and Welcoming Church as Liturgical Ministers

Our parish, together with the Diocese of Parramatta and the Carmelite Friars, are committed to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults in our care and ensuring that they feel and are safe. It is an expectation, and moral imperative, that all parishioners engaged in voluntary roles - including liturgical ministry - complete and maintain mandatory safeguarding training.

As such, **from 1 January 2026, only parishioners who have current safeguarding training in place will be included in the rosters for each liturgical ministry and be able to serve in ministerial roles.** Parishioners' ability to participate in ministries will be verified against a mandatory training register. If you think you may wish to help out in the parish in some way in the future, we recommend completing the training so that you can volunteer without delay.

The Diocese of Parramatta provides the required safeguarding training, which is valid for two years (after which, renewal training is required). Visit olmcwenty.org.au/safeguarding to access the online training platform. Alternatively, a face-to-face training opportunity will be held on **Saturday 15 November, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm** in the Parish Centre. Information about registering for this training will be provided soon.

We understand that this training requires the giving of your time, but hope you also share our desire to ensure that we do everything we can to ensure that young and vulnerable people are safe in our parish. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

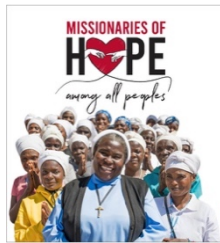
Mariam Virtual Pilgrimage

Save the date for a Mariam Virtual Pilgrimage at OLMC Catholic Church after the 9 am anointing mass at the Narthex on **Friday, 7 November 2025:**

Meditating on Mary's life, particularly her experiences at the Annunciation, Wedding Feast at Cana, the foot of the Cross, and with the early Church, provides inspiration and guidance for our lives.

2025 Catholic Mission Church Appeal

This **World Mission Month**, we are invited to support the vital work of the Church in Zambia and beyond.



On **World Mission Sunday**, we respond to the call to be "Missionaries of hope among all peoples". In Zambia, the **Women's Cooperation**, led by Sr Jane, empowers women with training and support to break the cycle of poverty

and the **Chilonga Mission Hospital** works to ensure every mother and baby receives a safe and dignified start to life.

Donate using the **appeal envelope**, online at catholicmission.org.au/mission, or by scanning the QR code.



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Thank you for being part of this mission of hope.

Support Toongabbie Legal Centre – Raffle & Merchandise sale this Weekend

Volunteers from **Toongabbie Legal Centre (TLC)** will be at the **Narthex after each Mass this weekend** selling raffle tickets and TLC merchandise.



Raffle Tickets:

- \$2.00 each
- \$20.00 for a book of 10
- 10 great prizes to be won!

All **proceeds go directly to support TLC's free legal clinic**, which for over **17 years** has been providing legal assistance to **disadvantaged, marginalised, and vulnerable people in Western Sydney.**

Parish Finances

Thank you for your generosity

Weekly donation to the Parish:	\$3,340
Planned Giving (cash/c cards):	\$970
Loose cash:	\$585
Direct Deposits:	\$500
Tap & Go:	\$1,285

Parish Online Banking: If you would like to pay fees or to donate, our online banking details are:

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Account Name: Wentworthville Catholic Church
Reference: [Your Surname] **PURPOSE OF YOUR DONATION**

Please pray for...

Those who are sick (in need of healing and peace), especially: Patric Tran, Vicky Borg, Torsten Berger, Marie Layt, Rita Ientile, Patrick Kelly

Recently Deceased:

Lawrence Farrugia, Ana Thana

Deceased (including RIP, anniversaries and memorials):

Casimeer Nicholapillai, Charlie Zammit, Josephine & Adolf Tabone, Maria Concetta Cassar, Ann Borg, Georgia Sultana, Tessie Spitari, Mary and Shaji John, Chary, Emily, Perlito, George Vaz, Lawrence & Sinfarosa Dias, Inacio, Sacramenta & Ilda Boccaro, Anna & Simao Dias, Lilly Sebastian, Stella & Martin Galea, Grace Mangion,

Special Intentions/Birthdays/Thanksgiving:

Jamaica, Jazmine & family, Ngoc Tran, Truy Tran, Lawrence Blakeman, Norman de Luca, Gritz Michael Conroy, Rachel Dominic, Tanya Dsilva, Mary Jannet, Dimithri

For Wedding anniversaries: Dominic Ray & Mary Jannet, Eric & Niranjali

Celebrating Sacraments at OLMC

Baptisms:

Marley Managreve (19/10)

Makoa Managreve (19/10)

Dominic Tallon (26/10)

Lily Egan (2/11)

May they grow in faith, love, and the grace of God!



Celebrating our Catholic Calendar

St John Paul II, pope

Memorial

22 October 2025

Church Calendar

Formation Workshops for:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Communion

Sat, 18 Oct, 9:30 am

Ministers of the Word

Sat, 18 Oct, 10:45 pm

Wed, 22 Oct, 7 pm

First Holy Communion Rehearsal Thurs, 23 Oct, 3:30 pm; & 6pm

First Holy Communion

Sat, 25 Oct, 11 am

Celebrations

Sat, 1 Nov, 11 am

Cleaning Day

Thurs, 30 Oct 9:30 am

St Vincent de Paul Meeting

Thurs, 30 Oct, 10 am

Diocese of Parramatta Notices

LIFTED Live in the Forecourt: 25 October

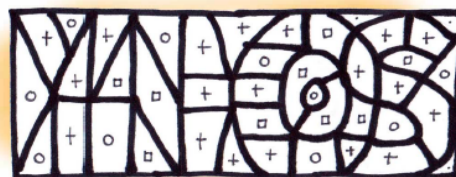
Join Catholic Youth Parramatta as they celebrate the 10th anniversary of LIFTED Live in the Forecourt on Saturday 25 October at St Patrick's Cathedral. All are welcome to attend Youth Mass at 6pm, with festivities kicking off at 7pm. Coinciding with Parramatta Lanes, we invite everyone for an exciting night of Catholic worship and prayer, friendship and community, showcasing the talent and passion of the Catholic Church in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains. For more information, visit <https://parracatholic.org/events/lifted-live-in-the-forecourt/>

Kids' Corner

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 19 October 2025



Did the unjust judge in today's parable finally help the widow? Only fill in the spaces with + 's to find out!



Rosters for 25th & 26th October 2025

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS	ROLE	VOLUNTEER
6pm Saturday (Vigil)	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Bob Hanna Janine Hanna May Pepin
8am Sunday	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Cat Paulo Cecilia Cotter Cathy Rossiter Roslyn Khattar
10am Sunday	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Shayna Peter Carmel Gauci Rosemary Chung Marina Peter
6pm Sunday	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Bimy Baby Isa Urbano Fran Sharpe

Next week's readings

25 and 26 October – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:

Sirach 35: 12-14, 16-19

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 33: 2-3, 17-19, 23

Second Reading:

2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

Gospel:

Luke 18: 9-14



Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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in the care of the Carmelite Friars

We acknowledge the Darug people as the original custodians of this land and pay our respects to the elders; past, present and emerging. Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, together with the Diocese of Parramatta and the Carmelite Friars, are committed to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults in our care and ensuring that they feel and are safe.

Connect with us

Online at www.olmcwenty.org.au

On Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @olmcwenty

Email ocarmswenty@gmail.com

If you would like to stay up to date with all the news from the parish, please consider [subscribing to the Carmel bulletin](#).

Parish Office

Phone: 9631 8302

Open Monday to Thursday, 8:30am to 3:00pm

Parish Office is closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday and Public Holidays

Parish Priest: Fr. Januario Pinto, O.Carm (Carmelite Prior)

Assistant Priest: Fr. Albino Dos Santos, O.Carm

In Community: Fr. Anthony Scerri, O.Carm,
Fr. John Powell, O.Carm (in Aged Care)

Parish Secretary: TBA

Finance Officer: Gennie Cosgrove

Our Lady of Mt Carmel Primary School

Principal: Olimpia Pirovic

Phone: 8832 1100

Liturgy times

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8am, 10am (include Children's Liturgy of the Word), 6pm

Weekday Masses

Monday - Thursday and Saturday: 9am

Friday: 9:15am (except first Friday of the month)

Reconciliation

Saturday: after the 9am Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday: 8am

Rosary Group

Monday - Friday: 8am

Saturday: after the 9am Mass

Anointing within Mass

First Friday of the month at 9am Mass followed by a shared Morning Tea

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals

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