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BIBLE STUDY CLASS

Fr. Boyce will host a Bible study on the Gospel of St. Matthew **EVERY SATURDAY** from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. (Starting on **8th Feb**). To join, please contact him directly.

COLLECT YOUR CANDLES

The Blessing of Candles will take place during the **SUNG MASS** next Sunday. If you have pre-ordered candles, they will be available for pickup after Mass. If you have any candles you wish to be blessed, please bring them to us before Mass. Thank you!

CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN

will resume on 2nd February (NEXT Sunday) at 9:10am.

★ **New Students:**

If you're interested in joining, please contact Fr. Leung or Dylan at 0404 468 504 and complete your enrolment by this Saturday. Enrolment forms are available in the foyer.

✓ **Existing Students:** No need to fill out the form.

💡 **APOLOGETICS FOR YOUNG ADULTS** will resume on Sunday, 16th March (Sunday).

CASH & ONLINE DONATIONS

19 Jan - 25 Jan

First Collection: \$ 2358.05
Second Collection: \$ 1434.25
Building fund: \$ 125

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SATURDAY CLASS

Topic: Angels and Demons

Classes are currently on break. The date of resumption will be announced next year.

CATECHISM CLASS FOR ADULTS

Class meets **EVERY THURSDAY** between 6:30pm - 7:30pm.

Next Chapters: 149 - 152

Next Topic: Sacrament of Penance

LEGION OF MARY

It meets **EVERY MONDAY** at 6:30pm.

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Mass & Confession Schedule

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| Sunday: | 8:00am | (Low Mass) |
| | 10:00am | (Sung Mass) |
| Mon - Thurs: | 7:00am | (Low Mass) |
| Friday: | 6:30pm | (Low Mass) |
| | followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:15pm | |
| Saturday: | 9:00am | (Low Mass) |

**Venue: Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Garran
2 Boake Pl, Garran, ACT 2605**

CONFESSION

30 minutes before all Masses until circa 5 minutes before Mass. Also during Masses where two priests are available.

**26th January 2025
3rd Sunday after Epiphany**

| CALENDAR | | |
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| DATE | FEAST | LOCATION / TIME |
| Mon, 27th Jan | St John Chrysostom | Garran, 9AM (Low) |
| Tue, 28th Jan | St Peter Nolasco | Garran, 7AM (Low) |
| Wed, 29th Jan | St Francis de Sales | Garran, 7AM (Low) |
| Thurs, 30th Jan | St Martina | Garran, 7AM (Low) |
| Fri, 31st Jan | St John Bosco | Garran, 6:30PM (Low), followed by Holy Hour until 8:15pm. |
| Sat, 1st Feb | Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (First Saturday) | Garran, 8AM (Rosary); 9AM (Low), |
| Sun, 2nd Feb | Purification of Our Lady (Candlemas) | Garran, 8AM (Low); 9:30AM (Rosary) 10AM (Blessing of candles, followed by Procession and Sung Mass) |

**NEW YEAR
COMMUNITY LUNCH**

DATE: 2ND FEB, 2025 (SUN)
TIME: AFTER 10AM MASS

**During which Fr Leung will give a
talk regarding the new year plan.**

PLEASE BRING A PLATE TO SHARE !

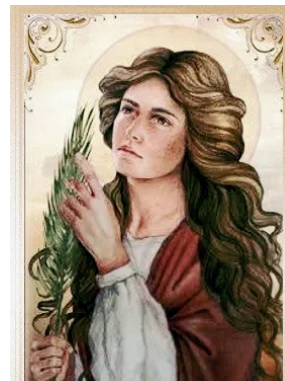


SAINT OF THE WEEK



St Martina

Feast day: 30th January



Saint Martina was a noble Roman virgin, born into a family of high rank and deep Christian faith. Her father, a consul renowned for his mercy towards the poor and his fervent devotion to the Most Holy Trinity, passed away along with her mother while Martina was still a child. Orphaned but inspired by her faith, she embraced Christ with all her heart. Determined to live for Him, she distributed her inheritance to the poor, freeing herself from worldly ties and preparing for the ultimate testimony of martyrdom.

During the reign of Emperor Alexander Severus, a fierce persecution of Christians was underway.

Martina was discovered praying in a church by soldiers searching for believers. They arrested her and brought her before the emperor. When ordered to sacrifice to the pagan gods, Martina resolutely declared that she would worship only the true God and never bow to idols crafted by human hands.

Her defiance led to brutal torture. Iron hooks tore at her flesh, yet as she prayed, a radiant light enveloped her, and her executioners were struck down. Amazingly, these men, like Saint Paul, converted to Christianity after witnessing her steadfast faith and the miraculous events surrounding her.

The following day, Martina faced even greater trials. She was scourged while suspended by her hands and feet, enduring her pain with remarkable courage. Taken to the temple of Diana, she caused the demon inhabiting the idol to flee amidst terrifying screams. Heaven responded with fire that destroyed the idol and its temple, crushing many of the priests and worshipers present.

Despite being subjected to more tortures, including a fiery furnace and an encounter with a lion, Martina remained unharmed, her life miraculously preserved by divine intervention. Finally, she was condemned to death by beheading. On January 1st, during the fourth year of Alexander Severus's reign, Saint Martina gave her life for Christ, sealing her testimony with her blood.

Centuries later, in 1634, her relics were discovered near the Mamertine Prison, along with those of other martyrs. Pope Urban VIII had them enshrined in a magnificent church in the Roman Forum dedicated to Saint Martina. Deeply devoted to her memory, the Pope enhanced her liturgical Office, composing hymns that celebrate her virtues and triumph. These hymns describe her soul's ascent to heaven, where she was seen on a royal throne amidst the praises of the blessed.

Saint Martina's legacy endures as a powerful witness to unwavering faith, divine grace, and the ultimate victory of Christ over persecution and death.