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LUNCH FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-35) will meet on 16th Feb (Sunday) at 12:15pm, @ Irish Club. During which, Fr Boyce will continue his talk on apologetics.

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 **THIS SAT.** To join, please contact Fr.

The **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** will be celebrated on **31st May (Sat) 10am.**
Preparation classes will begin on 16th Feb (Sun) at 9:10 AM. If your child is 11 or 12 years old and has not yet received the Sacrament and would like to receive this year, please let Fr. Leung know.

💡 APOLOGETICS FOR YOUNG ADULTS (15-18) will resume on Sunday, 16th March (Sunday).

MONTHLY COMMUNITY LUNCH will be held **TODAY** after 10am Mass!


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26 Jan - 1 Feb
First Collection: \$ 2434.8
Second Collection: \$ 1596.65
Building fund: \$ 285
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
SATURDAY CLASS
Topic: Angels and Demons
Classes are currently on break. The date of resumption will be announced soon.
CATECHISM CLASS FOR ADULTS
Due to Fr Leung is away, class will be cancelled this week.
Next Chapters: 153-155
Next Topic: Indulgences

LEGION OF MARY
It meets **EVERY MONDAY** at 6:30pm.

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Mass & Confession Schedule

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

**2nd February 2025
Purification of Our Lady**

CALENDAR

DATE	FEAST	LOCATION / TIME
Mon, 3rd Feb	St Blaise	Garran, 7AM (Low), blessing of throats
Tue, 4th Feb	St Andrew Corsini	Garran, 7AM (Low)
Wed, 5th Feb	St Agatha	Garran, 7AM (Low)
Thurs, 6th Feb	St Titus	Garran, 7AM (Low)
Fri, 7th Feb	Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart (First Friday)	Garran, 6:30PM (Sung), followed by Devotion to the Sacred Heart and Holy Hour until 8:30pm.
Sat, 8th Feb	St John Martha	Garran, 8AM (Rosary); 9AM (Low),
Sun, 9th Feb	5th Sunday after Epiphany	Garran, 8AM (Low); 9:30AM (Rosary) 10AM (Sung)

We invite you all to join our

COMMUNITY BBQ

DATE: **15th Feb, 2025 (SAT)**

TIME: **12PM - 3:30PM**

VENUE: **FSSP HOUSE
374 Norton Rd, Wamboin.**

To ensure there is enough food for everyone, please sign up on the sheet or inform Fr. Leung if you plan to attend. Participants will be contacted regarding any items needed.



THREE DAYS OF DARKNESS?



The concept of the Three Days of Darkness is popular in some Catholic circles, predicting a supernatural event where the world will be shrouded in darkness as divine judgment unfolds. One of the most well-known references to this prophecy is attributed to Bl. Anna Maria Taigi (1768–1837), who allegedly described an intense darkness lasting three days and nights. During this time, the air would be filled with pestilence, demons would roam, and only blessed candles would provide light. Marie-Julie Jahenny (1850–1941) later claimed that only 100% wax candles would work. This prophecy has caused concern

among some Catholics, as its fulfillment would be terrifying.

Despite its popularity, the Church has made **NO OFFICIAL PRONOUNCEMENT** on the Three Days of Darkness, and **IT IS NOT PART OF CATHOLIC TEACHING**. Supporters often cite biblical passages, such as the ninth plague of Egypt (Exodus 10:21-29) and references in Revelation (6:12 and 16:10). However, these passages either describe past events or lack specific references to a three-day darkness in the future. There is no biblical basis for this prophecy.

Historically, the origins of the prophecy are unclear. Some have attributed it to saints such as St. Hildegard of Bingen, St. Patrick, or St. Teresa of Avila. However, there is no documentation in their writings supporting this claim. The idea seems to be of more recent origin, likely gaining traction through unverified visions. Many modern visionaries mention the Three Days of Darkness, but none have been officially investigated or approved by the Church. Given the existence of both genuine mystics and false prophets, it is crucial to approach such claims with caution.

Some have attributed the prophecy to St. Padre Pio, but the Capuchin order denies that he ever made such a statement. The most widely quoted prophecy on the Three Days of Darkness is linked to Bl. Anna Maria Taigi, but its source is problematic. The prophecy is said to have been recorded in a book titled Private Prophecy (1863), but no such book exists. Furthermore, references to this prophecy only appear decades after Taigi's death, relayed through her spiritual director, Fr. Raffaele Natali. Given the lack of contemporary documentation, it is difficult to verify its authenticity.

Without reliable sources, ecclesiastical approval, or verifiable records, the Three Days of Darkness remains speculative. While private revelations can provide spiritual insights, Catholics should exercise discernment and avoid undue fear. The lack of clear evidence suggests that this prophecy is more a product of rumor than verified mystical revelation. Therefore, Catholics **SHOULD NOT** be alarmed or place excessive faith in it.

For more details, please read:

<https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/will-there-be-three-days-of-darkness>