

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

The **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** will be celebrated on **31st May (Sat) 10am**. Preparation classes will begin on **16th Feb (NEXT SUN)** at 9:10 AM. If your child is ready and would like to join, please let Fr. Leung know.

MEN OF ST JOSEPH MEETING

Date: 13th February 2025
 Schedule:
 5:30PM - Rosary
 6:00PM - Holy Mass with a special talk: "Joseph Most Prudent" followed by dinner and group discussion: "Total Consecration to Our Lady"
 New Members are most welcome!

FAITH DISCUSSION FOR YOUTH (15-18) will resume on Sunday, 16th Mar (Sun).

CONSECRATION TO ST JOSEPH will begin on **14th Feb. (Sat)**

CASH & ONLINE DONATIONS 2 Feb - 8 Feb

First Collection: \$ TBA
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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

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

9th February 2025
5th Sunday after Epiphany

CALENDAR

DATE	FEAST	LOCATION / TIME
Mon, 10th Feb	St Scholastica	Garran, 7AM (Low)
Tue, 11th Feb	Our Lady of Lourdes	Garran, 7AM (Low)
Wed, 12th Feb	Holy Founders of the Servite Order	Garran, 7AM (Low) 6PM (Low)
Thurs, 13th Feb	Feria	Garran, 7AM (Low)
Fri, 14th Feb	St Valentine	Garran, 6:30PM (Low), followed by Holy Hour until 8:15pm.
Sat, 15th Feb	Sts Faustinus and Jovita	Garran, 8AM (Rosary); 9AM (Low),
Sun, 16th Feb	Septuagesima Sunday	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.



WHAT MIRACLES POINT TO?



Miracles at Lourdes have astonished many, including Fr. Pedro Arrupe, SJ, who, as a medical student, witnessed a miraculous healing of a polio-stricken young man. This experience led him to abandon his medical career and become a Jesuit priest. While such stories are moving, miracles do not always happen when requested, raising the question: Why does God perform miracles in some cases and not others?

In the Bible, miracles occur less frequently than often assumed. They are concentrated in specific periods: the Exodus and early Israelite history, the prophetic ministries of Elijah and Elisha, and finally, the life of Jesus and the Apostles. Biblical miracles serve as signs pointing to divine revelation, as seen in John's Gospel, which refers to them explicitly as "signs." This is emphasized in the Transfiguration, where Moses and Elijah, both key figures in miracle-filled eras, appear with Jesus.

Jesus' miracles were not random acts but had deeper theological significance. In Mark 2:1-12, when Jesus heals a paralytic, He first forgives the man's sins, demonstrating His divine authority. He then confirms His power by physically healing him, showing that His spiritual authority is real. His miracles pointed beyond physical healing to the deeper reality of salvation. This is why, at times, He instructed those healed not to speak of their cure—His mission could only be understood in light of His passion, death, and resurrection. Miracles today, such as those at Lourdes, are not mechanical occurrences but acts of God's will. They do not follow a predictable pattern, nor do they guarantee a desired outcome. Their rarity reminds us that this world is not our final home. As Isaiah 40:6 and 1 Peter 1:24 remind us, all flesh is like grass—temporary and fleeting. Expecting lasting happiness and health from this world clouds our understanding of God's greater plan.

A visit to Lourdes can be a profound experience, even without witnessing a miracle. Many people describe feeling deep peace and the presence of God upon entering the grotto, an experience shared by others. Whether or not physical healing occurs, God's presence is real.

If you have Lourdes water, use it with faith. If God grants healing, give thanks. If not, worship Him still. True healing will come when all creation is finally redeemed (Romans 8:22-24). Miracles, when they happen, are God's surprises—reminders of His love and the ultimate healing He has promised in eternity.

For more details, please read:
<https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/what-miracles-point-to>