

ST ANNE MOTHERS' GROUP
will meet on 28th March,
(THIS Friday) at 10am.

The next **ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE** will be held on April 5th (SAT) at 4pm. All current servers are encouraged to attend. Children and young men who are interested in joining are also most welcome!

NEXT COMMUNITY LUNCH WILL BE HELD ON **6th APRIL** after 10am Mass. Please bring a plate to share!

The final **CATECHISM, CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH APOLOGETICS CLASS** of this term will be held on April 6th. Classes will resume next term on May 4th.

A special collection for **THE BUILDING FUND** will be taken on the last Sunday of each month during both Masses. All proceeds will go directly toward the building fund to support our parish projects. Thank you for your generosity and support!

CASH & ONLINE DONATIONS
16 Mar - 22 Mar

First Collection: \$ 1895.2
Second Collection: \$ 1904.8
Building fund: \$ 255
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SATURDAY CLASS

Topic: Gospel of St Matthew
Class meets **EVERY SATURDAY** between 10:30am - 11:30am.

CATECHISM CLASS FOR ADULTS

Class meets **EVERY THURSDAY** between 6:30pm - 7:30pm
Next Chapters: 163-165
Next Topic: Sacrament of Marriage

LEGION OF MARY

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

DONATIONS:

Cheque donations to: *thanks for your support*
FSSP Australia
PO Box 6241, Mawson, ACT2607

Bank Account Details:
For online donations **ONLY**

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BSB 062 786 A/c No: 0002007
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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

CONFESSION

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

23th March 2025
Third Sunday of Lent

CALENDAR

DATE	FEAST	LOCATION / TIME
Mon, 24th Mar	Monday in 3rd week of Lent	Garran, 7AM (Low)
Tue, 25th Mar	Annunciation of Our Lady	Garran, 7AM (Low) 6:30PM (Sung)
Wed, 26th Mar	Wednesday in 3rd week of Lent	Garran, 7AM (Low)
Thurs, 27th Mar	Thursday in 3rd week of Lent	Garran, 7AM (Low), followed by Adoration until 8:30am.
Fri, 28st Mar	Friday in 3rd week of Lent	Garran, 5:45PM (Stations) followed by 6:30PM Low Mass and Holy Hour until 8:15pm.
Sat, 29nd Mar	Saturday in 3rd week of Lent	Garran, 8:30AM (Rosary); 9AM (Low),
Sun, 30th Mar	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Garran, 8AM (Low); 9:30AM (Rosary) 10AM (Sung)

You're Invited! 🎉
Join us for a **Dinner Gathering**
hosted by
THE LEGION OF MARY!

Date: 25th March 2025
(Feast of the Annunciation of Our Lady)

Time: After 6:30 PM Sung Mass
(around 8 PM)

Venue: Sts. Peter and Paul School hall

Food and drinks provided by the Legion of Mary

All are welcome! 😊 ✨

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The Annunciation marks the moment when the eternal Son of God, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, became incarnate. The Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed affirms that Jesus Christ, "who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven," was conceived by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mary. The Incarnation was a Trinitarian event: the Father sent the Holy Spirit to sanctify Mary's womb, enabling her to conceive the Son of God in human nature.

The Incarnation signifies God's descent into the world, described in two theological traditions. The Alexandrian school emphasized "Logos-sarks" (the Word became flesh), while the Antiochian school used "Logos-anthropos" (the Word became man), highlighting that Christ assumed not just flesh but all aspects of human nature. The ultimate purpose of the Incarnation was salvation, reconciling humanity with God. Church Fathers like Gregory of Nyssa compared humanity to a fallen captive needing a redeemer, while St. Peter and St. Thomas Aquinas saw the Incarnation as elevating humans to share in the divine nature.

The Incarnation occurred at the "fullness of time" (Galatians 4:4-5), a moment prepared by God's providence. Medieval theologians debated whether it would have occurred without Adam's sin. Thomas Aquinas argued it was necessary for salvation, while Duns Scotus believed it was an expression of God's love, independent of sin. Regardless of these views, Scripture teaches that the Incarnation was predestined from the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:3-10).

Mary played a crucial role in the Incarnation. As the chosen vessel, she stood between the Old and New Covenants, embodying both the longing for the Messiah and the joy of His coming. Her response to the angel Gabriel demonstrated her "obedience of faith," likened to Abraham's trust in God. The angel's greeting, "full of grace" (Luke 1:28), points to her Immaculate Conception, preserved from original sin to be the Mother of God.

Mary is the "New Eve," whose obedience undid Eve's disobedience. The Church Fathers proclaimed, "Death through Eve, life through Mary." The virgin birth, affirmed in the earliest Christian Creeds, testifies that Jesus was conceived solely by the power of the Holy Spirit. Despite ridicule, early Christians upheld this belief, recognizing its profound theological significance: God alone is Jesus' Father.

The name "Jesus" means "God saves," signifying His mission of redemption. In Jewish tradition, God's name was sacred, spoken only by the high priest on Yom Kippur. By bearing this name, Jesus embodies God's presence, fulfilling His role as the ultimate Savior of humanity. Thus, the Annunciation was not just a historical event but the fulfillment of God's eternal plan.