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MEN OF ST JOSEPH MEETING

In honour of our patron, St Joseph, and to celebrate the anniversary of our men's group, a special gathering will be held on 1st May (Thurs), following the 6:30pm Mass, at the Mawson Club. All men are warmly invited to attend. Please RSVP to assist with arrangements.

Our next regular meeting will be held on 13th May (Wed). We will begin with the Rosary at 5:30pm, followed by Mass, and then a meal and discussion. We look forward to seeing you there!

MAY CROWNING and PROCESSION

in honour of Our Lady will be held **Next Sun** after 10am Mass.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT

Some of the members in our community have generously taken the initiative to organise a **monthly prayer and dinner gathering** - a wonderful opportunity to grow in faith, build friendships, and support one another in the spiritual life. The first gathering will be held on **29th April (This Wed)**.

Schedule:

6pm - 6:30pm: Rosary
6:30pm: Dinner at the back of the church
Please **RSVP** to help with catering for food. All are most welcome!
Feel free to invite friends!

NOTICE

If you have left any kitchenware at the church, either here or during past community lunches, it is currently placed in the foyer. Please collect your items before the end of the month. Any unclaimed items after that time will be donated to a charitable organisation. Thank you!

CASH & ONLINE DONATIONS

19th Apr - 25th April, 26
First Collection: \$ 2284.6
Second Collection: \$ 1561.2
Building fund: \$ 360

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

THURSDAY ONLINE CLASS

The next series of our online classes on Eschatology will focus on the topic of **Death and how to prepare for it**. It will begin on 7th May (Thurs) at 7pm. To register, please visit our website, click on Activities, then select Thursday Online Class and complete the registration form. The login details will be sent directly to you by email.

SATURDAY BIBLE CLASS

will resume on 2nd May (This Sat), at 10:30am.

LEGION OF MARY meeting will be held **THIS MONDAY** at 6:30pm

DONATIONS:

Cheque donations to:
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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.

**26th April 2026
3rd Sunday after Easter**

CALENDAR

DATE	FEAST	LOCATION / TIME
Mon, 27 th Apr	St Peter Canisius	7AM (Low)
Tue, 28 th Apr	St Peter Aloysius Mary Chanel	7AM (Low)
Wed, 29 th Apr	St Peter the Martyr	7AM (Low)
Thurs, 30 th Apr	St Catherine of Siena	7AM (Low), followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:30am.
Fri, 1 st May	St Joseph the Worker (First Friday)	6:30PM (Sung), followed by Holy Hour until 8:30pm.
Sat, 2 nd May	St Athanasius (First Saturday)	8:30AM (Rosary) 9AM (Low)
Sun, 3 rd May	4th Sunday after Easter	8AM (Low); 9:30AM (Rosary) 10AM (Sung), followed by May Crowning and Procession.

Mother's Day Prayer Gathering

Join us as we come together to honour Our Lady and pray for all mothers on this special occasion.

Date: 10th May (Sunday)

Time: 1:30pm

Venue: FSSP House, Wamboin
374 Norton Rd, Wamboin

We will begin with the recitation of the Rosary, followed by traditional Marian hymns. After the prayers, there will be a relaxed BBQ gathering.

Please bring a plate of food to share (BYO), and drinks will be provided.

All are most welcome!
Let us take this time to pray, give thanks, and enjoy fellowship together.

CHILDREN'S OUTING BOWLING & PIZZA!

All children and teens are warmly invited to join us for a fun and faith-filled outing!

Date: 23rd May (Saturday)

Time: 11am-2:30pm

Venue: Zone Bowling, 1 Emu Bank, Belconnen ACT

Age: 8-17 years old

Fee: \$10 per person (includes bowling game and lunch)

We'll enjoy a game of bowling together, followed by pizza for lunch. Afterward, we will take some time to pray the Rosary together.

For registration, please fill out the application form available at the foyer and let Fr Leung know.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

St Catherine of Siena



St Catherine of Siena was a remarkable woman who played a decisive role in the life of the Church during the turbulent 14th century, a time marked by political instability and ecclesial crisis, yet one in which God raised up saints to renew His people. Born in Siena in 1347 into a large family, she showed an early attraction to the spiritual life, and at the age of sixteen, after a vision of St Dominic, she joined the Third Order of the Dominicans while remaining at home, dedicating herself to prayer, penance, and

charity, especially toward the sick and the poor. As her holiness became widely known, she began to guide people from all walks of life: ordinary laypeople, clergy, religious, and even political leaders, offering spiritual counsel and calling them to conversion. Her influence extended even to the papacy, as she courageously urged Pope Gregory XI to return from Avignon to Rome, working tirelessly for the reform of the Church and peace among divided states.

Despite her growing reputation, Catherine faced suspicion and opposition, and was even examined by Church authorities, but her authenticity was recognised, and she was guided spiritually by Raymond of Capua, who later wrote her biography. Her teachings, though she had little formal education, were profound and are preserved in her major works, especially The Dialogue, her letters, and prayers, which reveal deep theological insight. In recognition of her spiritual wisdom, she was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1970.

At the heart of her spirituality was an intense love for Christ, whom she experienced in a deeply personal and mystical way, describing Him as her spouse. This union was expressed symbolically in visions such as the mystical marriage and the exchange of hearts, illustrating her complete transformation in Christ - echoing St Paul's words, "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." Her devotion to the Eucharist was central, as she saw it as a continual gift of divine love that nourishes faith, strengthens hope, and inflames charity.

Around her formed a spiritual family of followers who saw her as a mother, drawn by her holiness and wisdom. Her spirituality also included a profound sensitivity expressed in the "gift of tears," reflecting deep compassion and union with Christ's suffering. She had great reverence for the priesthood, recognising that through priests, the saving power of Christ continues to act. Above all, she lived and died for the Church, offering her life entirely for its renewal.

St Catherine teaches us the essential path of holiness: to know and love Christ and His Church deeply, to be transformed by Him, and to respond with courage and fidelity.

Just a reminder that there will be a special collection at both Masses for the building fund. You are most welcome to contribute if you wish.