

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Due to the Octave of Pentecost last week, **the FEAST OF OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS**, which would normally have been celebrated on 24 May, has been transferred to **tomorrow**.

Holy Mass will be celebrated at 9am. All are most welcome to join us in honouring Our Lady, the Patroness of Australia, and to seek her maternal protection and intercession for our families and our country.

The next **ST CATHERINE WOMEN'S GROUP** will be held on 31<sup>st</sup> May (**TODAY**) at 12:30pm. We will begin with lunch, followed by a spiritual talk and group discussion. Please let Fr Leung know you are coming.

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION**

Date: 7 June (Next Sunday)

After the 10am Mass

Join us for our annual Corpus Christi Procession, as we publicly honour and adore Our Lord truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

During which, Traditional Eucharistic hymns will be sung.

**O come, let us adore Him!**

The next **MEN OF ST JOSEPH meeting** will be on 10<sup>th</sup> June (Wednesday), following the usual schedule, beginning at 5:30pm with the Rosary, dinner and group discussion. New Members are welcome!

**CHILDREN'S CATECHISM** is held **EVERY SUNDAY**

between 9am-9:50am.

**CASH & ONLINE DONATIONS**

24<sup>th</sup> May - 30<sup>th</sup> May, 26

First Collection: \$ 2161.15

Second Collection: \$ 2308.35

Building fund: \$ 1335

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**THURSDAY ONLINE CLASS**

**Topic:** Eschatology - Death and how to prepare for it?

The class meets **EVERY THURSDAY** from 7pm to 8:15pm, except when it falls on a first-class feast day (eg. This Thurs).

**SATURDAY BIBLE CLASS**

meets **EVERY SATURDAY** between 10:30am & 11:30am.

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

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**Mass & Confession Schedule**

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

**31st May 2026  
Trinity Sunday**

# CALENDAR

DATE	FEAST	LOCATION / TIME
Mon, 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Our Lady Help of Christians	9AM (Sung)
Tue, 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Comm. of Sts Marcellinus, Peter and Erasmus	7AM (Low)
Wed, 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Feria	7AM (Low)
Thurs, 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Corpus Christi	7AM (Low); 6:30PM (Sung), followed by Adoration & Benediction until 8:30PM.
Fri, 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart (First Friday)	6:30PM (Sung), followed by Holy Hour until 8:15pm.
Sat, 6 <sup>th</sup> June	St Norbert	8:30AM (Rosary) 9AM (Low)
Sun, 7 <sup>th</sup> June	External Solemnity of Corpus Christi	8AM (Low); 9:30AM (Rosary) 10AM (Sung, followed by Eucharistic Procession)

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

## Monthly Community lunch

**Date: 7th June (Next Sun)**

**Time: After 10am Mass**

**Please bring a plate to share with the community**

## Sts Marcellinus, Peter and Erasmus



The Church of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> centuries often experienced periods of relative peace interrupted by sudden outbreaks of violence. One famous example was the persecution at Lyons and Vienne in Gaul in the year 177. During that persecution, many Christians courageously endured terrible sufferings for the faith. Among them was the slave-girl Blandina, whose heroic endurance inspired countless believers. Such examples prepared the Church for the even greater persecutions that would come under the Emperor Diocletian at the beginning of the 4<sup>th</sup> century.

Among the martyrs of that later persecution were the priest Marcellinus and the exorcist Peter. Little is known of their early lives, but their witness left a profound impression upon the Church. While imprisoned for their faith around the year 303, Peter succeeded in converting his jailer and the entire man's household to Christianity. Filled with the desire for salvation, they were brought secretly to the priest Marcellinus, who instructed and baptized them.

When the authorities discovered what had happened, both Marcellinus and Peter were summoned before the judge Serenus. They boldly professed their faith in Jesus Christ and refused to offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. As a result, they were subjected to cruel tortures. Yet neither threats nor suffering could shake their fidelity to Christ. Finally, they were condemned to death and beheaded. Their martyrdom quickly became renowned throughout the Christian world, and devotion to them spread widely. Their importance in the early Church is shown by the fact that their names are included in the Roman Canon of the Mass, where they are still commemorated today among the most honoured martyrs of antiquity.

The Church of Rome held them in such esteem that a basilica was built over their tomb, and the station church for the Saturday of the Second Week of Lent is dedicated to them.

The feast also commemorates Saint Erasmus, one of the most famous martyrs of the Diocletian persecution. He was a bishop in Syria who later withdrew to the mountains of Lebanon to live as a hermit. During the persecutions under Diocletian and Maximian, he was arrested and subjected to repeated tortures in Antioch and later in Illyria. Ancient accounts describe his extraordinary courage and endurance under suffering.

According to tradition, one of the tortures inflicted upon him involved having his entrails wound around a windlass. For this reason, he later became the patron saint of those suffering from abdominal and intestinal illnesses and is counted among the famous Fourteen Holy Helpers, a group of saints especially invoked in times of distress.

Despite the many torments he endured, God preserved him through numerous trials. Eventually he was able to reach Formiae in southern Italy, where he spent his final years. Unlike many martyrs, he died peacefully rather than by execution, around the beginning of the fourth century.

The lives of these saints remind us that fidelity to Christ often requires courage, perseverance, and sacrifice. Their sufferings seemed insignificant compared to the eternal glory they now enjoy in heaven. Their example encourages us to remain faithful amid the trials of our own lives, trusting that God will reward all who persevere in His service until the end.