

Lakeside Pastoral Region Bulletin

The Catholic Parishes of Booragul Warners Bay, Toronto and Morisset

St Michael the Archangel - 46 Ranclaud Street, Booragul

St Mary's - 2 Bayview Street, Warners Bay

St Joseph's - 140 Wangi Road, Toronto

Sts Patrick & Brigid - 6 Martinsville Road, Cooranbong

St John Vianney - 60 Yambo Street, Morisset

We acknowledge the Awabakal & Darkinjung people - the traditional custodians of this place

SUNDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2026

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

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www.vianneymorisset.org

BAPTISMS & SACRAMENTS

Booking via Parish Website

Baptisms celebrated most Sundays.

UPCOMING MASS TIMES:

Sat 10 Oct

Mass	5:00pm	Cooranbong
Mass	5:30pm	Booragul

Sun 11 Oct

Mass	8:30am	Toronto
Mass	9:00am	Warners Bay
Mass	10:00am	Morisset
Mass	6:00pm	Warners Bay

Tue 13 Oct

Liturgy	9:30am	Morisset
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Wed 14 Oct

Liturgy	9:00am	Booragul
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Thu 15 Oct

Mass	9:30am	Warners Bay
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Fri 16 Oct

Liturgy	9:30am	Toronto
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Dear Parish Family,

"And the man was silent..."

This weekend we hear the last of a series of parables that began in the vineyard. Those vineyard parables dealt with jealousy, entitlement and, most importantly, God's extraordinary generosity. This weekend that same generosity takes us from the vineyard to the banquet table. This theme of inclusiveness continues in this parable which has a parable within the parable but more about that later. With all those grapes that have been picked we now have to have a banquet. Isaiah in our first reading has the people of Israel in exile. He begins to talk about what life will be like at the end of times. Living in Israel with its harsh temperature and pending wars sometimes food was very scarce. To talk about a rich banquet where there was food that was plentiful would have been a source of great hope. Have you thought about what you might like on your menu in heaven? Mine would have to involve chocolate and mangoes at least!

In Jesus' time, who you ate with who mattered. Sharing a table said something about your status and your place in society. So, in the Gospel, the king initially invites all the "right" people to his son's wedding feast. Yet they refuse the invitation. They are too busy with other things. There is something here for us. Sometimes we can become so preoccupied with getting our priorities right, meeting our responsibilities or simply keeping our heads above water that we fail to notice what God is offering us.

In the parable, the king represents God, while the first invited guests point towards those among the people of Israel, particularly the religious leaders, who became so focused on their observance of the Law that they failed to recognise the gift standing before them: life in God's Kingdom. The king then does something extraordinary. He sends his servants out onto the streets and invites everyone they can find, good and bad alike. The people who would never have imagined themselves worthy of such a banquet suddenly find themselves welcomed to the table. It echoes one of the criticisms levelled at Jesus: *"He eats with tax collectors and sinners!"* And therein lies one of the strongest messages of the Gospel: God's invitation is for everyone. Rich and poor, respectable and outcast, saint and sinner. The doors of the Kingdom are thrown open. All are welcome.

Have you ever been to a party (or a wedding reception) where you just weren't feeling it or you just didn't want to be there! This brings us into this parable within the parable that speaks of someone not wearing a wedding garment. What do you think was going on? The guest it says was silent. I just didn't have any money, or I came from work and didn't have time to change, but we are told the guest was silent. Were they tongue tied because they had been caught out not feeling it or wanting to be there? In other words, they weren't there in the spirit of the occasion. It's a reminder to us that God freely invites us to be part of this kingdom, but we must join in and not just sit back and relax.

Just a reminder that this week the clergy of the Diocese will be on retreat. Please keep us all in your prayers during this important time of reflection, renewal and fellowship. As a result, some Masses have been cancelled, while others have been replaced by Communion Services. Please check the bulletin carefully for details of this week's arrangements.

Finally, I will be taking annual leave from Friday 23rd October, returning on Friday 20th November. While I am away, Fr Paul, Fr Patrick, Fr John and the Parish Hub will be taking care of things. I am very grateful to them and know that the parishes will be in good hands. Thank you, as always, for your prayers and support. I look forward to returning refreshed and ready for the busy weeks leading into Advent and Christmas.

Have a blessed week everyone.

Fr Darryl Mackie

PP/Administrator

**Twenty-eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time Year A
Sunday 11 Oct 2026**

First Reading (Isaiah 25:6-10)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,
of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.
On this mountain he will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
he will destroy Death for ever.
The Lord will wipe away
the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his people's shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.
We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us;
for the hand of the Lord
rests on this mountain.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 22. R. v.6)

**(R.) I shall live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life.**

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. **(R.)**
2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. **(R.)**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **(R.)**



(CNS photo/Vatican Media)

**Pope Leo's Prayer Intention
for October 2026**

For Mental Health Ministry

Let us pray that the mental health ministry
be established throughout the Church,
helping to overcome the stigma and
discrimination of persons with mental
illnesses.

Second Reading (Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have
been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything
anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty.
There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One
who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to
share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil
all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can.
Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation (See Ephesians 1:17-18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 22:1-14)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The
kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a
feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those
who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent
some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he
said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and
fatted cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready.
Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one
went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest
seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The
king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those
murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his
servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were
invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the
town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So
these servants went out onto the roads and collected
together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and
the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came
in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not
wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you
get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the
man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind
him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where
there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are
called, but few are chosen.'





MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON

Tuesday 3rd November 2026

Ticket Price: \$50.00 per person
Ticket Price includes:
 Glass of bubbles or punch
 2 course meal with nibbles
 (Main and Dessert)
 Can bring your own alcohol

Large screen to watch the race
Raffle, Fashion, Sweeps
and Lucky Door Prizes

Starting from 11.30am
St Mary's Church Hall Warners Bay

RSVP
SUE CAMPBELL
MARIE OSBORNE
JOAN WILSON
ROBYN SPINKS

Anointing Mass

Thursday 15th October at 9.30am

St Mary's Church 2 Bayview St
Warners Bay

An anointing with the "Oil of the Sick" for those who are sick, frail, elderly or in need of healing.



EXPLORING THE NEW TESTAMENT

with Gerard Mowbray

Following on from the four Introduction to the New Testament sessions, everyone is warmly invited to join a series of five weekly Two-hour sessions exploring the riches of the New Testament.

Whether you attended the introductory sessions or are joining us for the first time, you are most welcome.

The sessions will offer a range of resources for your deeper reflection and will especially emphasise studying passages of the four gospels, Acts of the Apostles and Paul's letters.

Key Areas of Study

- ◆ Understanding the first-century world of Jesus
- ◆ How the New Testament came into being and its relationship with the Old Testament
- ◆ Reading and understanding Scripture
- ◆ The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and John
- ◆ The Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles
- ◆ St Paul and his Letters



Sessions will held on the following Wednesdays :
21 October, 4 November,
11 November, 18 November,
and 25 November
Session Times are:
10.00am or 6.00pm at
St Michael the Archangel's
Parish Hall
46 Ranclaud Street, Booragul
All resources and Bibles
will be provided.
To assist with resource
planning, registration
is needed.

Register at:
<https://forms.cloud.microssoft/r/i3dfhvhvAKF>
 or the forms at the back of the Church.



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Placing Value on Womanhood

The next REAL WOMEN CAFE NIGHT

Monday, 16 November 2026

7.30 pm - 9.15 pm

St Mary's Catholic Church Hall

Booking will open at St Mary's Hall, Warners Bay
on Saturday 17 October 2026 10am to 12pm

Donation of \$15 per person

If you would like to do a direct deposit
please contact Sue or Marie.

Bookings may also be made by phone
Phone: Sue - 0417 091 255 or
Marie - 0429 191 245

Commemoration of the 40th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Peace held in Assisi on 27th October 1986

The 27th October marks the 40th anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Peace in Assisi. In 1986, Pope John Paul II invited world religious leaders to come to Assisi to fast and pray for peace.

This was a milestone in interreligious dialogue that communicated a powerful symbolic message to the world – the spirit of prayer and non-violence. Christians, Jews, Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists, Jains, Sikhs, Zoroastrians, leaders of African and American Traditional Religions and of Shinto took part in this event.

His Eminence, George Jacob Cardinal Koovakad, prefect for the Dicastery for Inter-religious Dialogue, remarked that the 27 October 1986 was a turning point in the history of inter-religious dialogue, becoming a lasting symbol of the Church's commitment to promoting social justice, moral well-being, peace and freedom for the benefit of all. His Eminence acknowledged that the anniversary will be commemorated in Assisi on 27 October 2026 in the presence of the Holy Father.

Invitation - Mission and Evangelisation in partnership with MacKillop Parish invite you to a Parish Mission

With special participation from the Little Nuns and Little Friars of Jesus and Mary
02 to 12 November 2026

The Little Friars and Little Nuns of Jesus and Mary are coming to the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle for a ten-day mission of faith, prayer and renewal. Known for their distinctive habits, joyful spirit and dedicated commitment to Christ, their lives are centred on prayer, community, service and helping others discover the joy of faith. Their witness is both refreshing and challenging, raising important questions about purpose, happiness, and what truly matters. Come for one event or many. Bring your questions and an open heart. You never know where God might lead.

View the schedule here: [Little Friars and Little Nuns of Jesus and Mary.](#)

Twenty Eighth Sunday

Listening to the Gospel for this Sunday, we could say that we live in a time, which in many ways is not unlike that of God's people in exile. Like the first Christian community, let us choose to be a place where everyone experiences divine hospitality, kindness and generosity.

Prayer-Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

We have many things to pray for. This Sunday 11th October, we have an opportunity to join, as a community for Eucharistic Adoration, spending unhurried prayerful time in the presence of Jesus in the Morisset Church. 9am until 9.30am. (Before the 10am Mass)
Eucharistic Adoration is less about "doing" and more about "being."

First Aid Equipment

If you need to use First Aid equipment, in either of our churches for whatever reason, it is kept in the sacristy at both churches. There is also an Automatic Electronic Defibrillator (AED) permanently kept in the Morisset Sacristy. This AED is also taken to Cooranbong whenever there is a function held there.

Multicultural Mass-Mark the Date!

When: First Sunday of Advent, 10am November 29th Morisset. Followed by Hospitality. We have people from many different cultures that worship with us. This will be brought to life through traditional dress, prayers and afterwards traditional food in the Callinan Centre.

Cuppa Cake and Chat

A Cuppa Cake and Chat will be held in the Callinan Centre next Sunday 18th October after the 10am Mass.

Water from Lourdes

Recently one of our parishioners had the opportunity to visit Lourdes, while he was in France. He has brought back some Lourdes water and is happy to share it with other parishioners if they are interested.
If you would like some of this water, please put your name on the sheet at the back of the church.

Liturgical Book Orders

Orders are now being taken for 2027 liturgical resources:
To place an order, please complete the online form at:
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/RVmt8Pg79n> or collect an order form from the back of the church. Orders close on Sunday, 11 October 2026.



This year marks 100 years of World Mission Day, a time in which the global Church celebrates God's mission through prayer and generosity.

Today, that mission continues in places like Malawi, where communities are rebuilding after devastating floods and families are striving to create a future for their children. To learn more about Catholic Mission and our work, please go to <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/united>

Please pray for all those who are sick: in hospital or at home, especially those living with a life-threatening disease, may they know the healing presence of Christ:

Suzanne Boshma, Marylyn Sloman, Maree Scully, David Ford, Michelle Weickhorst, Annette Boyd, Irene Purcell, Dianne Whitten, Jackie Purnell, Miriam English, June Gillett, Zayne Peterson, Mary Maloney, Nancy Overton, Ross Dickson, Mary Monaghan, Clare Wallington, Donna Hazzard, Pam Mullaly, and Tintumol Thomas.

Please contact the office if there are any changes

Please pray for those who have been called to eternal life may they always be in our prayers.

Recently Deceased:

Remembrance:

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St Mary's Primary School K-6

2 Bayview Street, Warners Bay

Ph: 02 4948 8770

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Principal: Liz Starling

St Joseph's Primary School K-6

140 Wangi Road, Kilaben Bay

P: 02 4959 1355

E:admin@kilabenbay.catholic.edu.au

W: www.kilabenbay.catholic.edu.au

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St John Vianney Primary School K-6

60-66 Yambo Street, Morisset

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Principal: Mark Konik

St Paul's Catholic College 7-12

70 Primrose Street, Booragul

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Acting Principal: Anne-Maree Shipman

PARISH GROUPS

Finance Committee

TBA

Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday 19th October - 6.30pm

St Michael's Booragul

Promotion of Safeguarding

Please contact the office

Mass Collections - Thankyou

First Collection supports our priests:

BSB: 066 739

Account Number: 100004062

Account Name: Morisset Parish

Presbytery or CBA

Reference: Your Surname.

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BSB:066 739

Account Number: 100004064

Account Name: Morisset Parish Church or

CBA

Reference: Your Surname.

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**St John
Vianney**
Parish Morisset

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