

QUIS UT DEUS



PARISH BULLETIN

All Saints Day — 1st November 2026 (Year A)

“BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT, FOR THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN” MATTHEW 5:3

Reflect today on the saints in Heaven. They were not perfect on earth, but they were faithful. They allowed divine charity to take root in their hearts and persevered through trial. Read the Beatitudes slowly and ask, “Do I truly want to be counted among them?” If the answer is “Yes,” then live today — and every day — with Heaven as your only goal.

Proper of today's Mass

First Reading: Apocalypse 7: 2–4, 9–14

Response: Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

Second Reading: 1 John 3: 1–3

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 5: 1–12

Feasts of the week

Today — All Saints Day

Honoured today are all holy men and women in glory with Christ; known or unknown, mighty or lowly; all whose lives were modelled on the Beatitudes and on the great commandment of love.

Monday — All Souls Day

This day of commemoration began early in the Middle Ages with annual prayers for the dead in monastic communities. It now ranks with the principal feast days in the liturgical calendar. The day expresses Christian faith in the communion of saints and our need to pray for one another in the Church, especially those souls in purgatory.

Book of Remembrance

Pray always for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. You are invited to add the names of your departed loved ones to our Book of Remembrance during the month of November.

Children's liturgy

The next children's liturgy will be held at the 8.30am Mass on Sunday 1 November.

Welcome back Fr Tony

A warm welcome on your return Fr Tony. We pray your break was exactly as needed, and look forward to your special homilies once again, including **Prison Sunday** next weekend!

Thank you to Fr John & Sr Maureen for their liturgical leadership over the past month.

Mass and Prayer Times

Monday 5.30pm Mass with Confession immediately after Mass

(Benediction & Adoration afterwards first Monday every month)

Thursday 7.00am Mass

Friday 9.00am with Confession before Mass and Adoration after Mass.

Second Friday of every month is **Anointing Mass**.

Saturday 9.00–10.00 am Adoration with Rosary and Divine Mercy

First Saturday every month; Communion service and morning tea

Saturday (vigil Mass) 5.00pm and **Sunday** 8.30am Mass

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We pray for: Andy Walton, Patsy Gandini, Michelle Muir, Margaret Lawson, June Meacham, Patrick King, David Carr, Don Morrison, Keiren Calder, Susie and Tom, Fr Aidan Carvill, Jan Lidstone, Sharon Bell, Ian Tyson, Peter Shafton, Yvonne Auer, Luke Barden, Killian Maguire, Kathleen Isepy and Fr Pat Doran.

Prayers for the recently deceased.

We pray for all who have died including Ed Bond, Joy Girvan, Fr Michael Mullane and Mary Mullane, Stephen Anning, Patricia David (Dinah), Kathleen Mitchell, Tracy Kelly, Alan Williams, Rose Graham, Phoebe Semple, Romilia Ventura, and Delma Schmidt, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

PASTORAL VISITS TO PRISONS

Volunteering opportunities are available with Centacare for women and men in several of the correctional centres in the archdiocese — Southern Qld and Brisbane Women's, Arthur Gorrie and Maryborough. Pastoral visits can be life changing for inmates. You will be well trained and well supported within an existing Catholic team and the commitment required is just one morning a week.

Find out more by contacting Judy Norris: 0428 669 572 or email: judy.norris@bne.centacare.net.au

Funeral of Ed Bond

The funeral for longtime parishioner Ed Bond will be held at St Michael's this Thursday 5 November at 11 am. Please pray for Ed, and for the comfort and consolation of Judy and all the extended Bond family.

2026 National Life Summit on the Gold Coast

The National Life Summit brings people together to stand for the value of every human life, connect with like-minded people, and be equipped to make a difference in our communities. It's a day to be equipped, encouraged and inspired to make a difference.

Saturday, 28 November 2026, 8:30am - 4:30pm

5-star hotel in the heart of the Gold Coast (Venue to be announced)

General Admission \$60; Students & Under 30 \$45 (morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea included)

For tickets visit: <https://www.drjoannahowe.com.au/lifesummit2026>

ASHGROVE DANCE STUDIO PRESENTS — BROADWAY RHYTHM

Our hall tenant Ashgrove Dance Studio, is presenting an end-of-year spectacular this December, with three great shows in one. The opening performance is Carmen Suite, an adaptation of Bizet's famous opera, followed by a reimagining of the Wizard of Oz. After interval the final show will be Broadway Rhythm, inspired by the classics of the famed entertainment precinct. It's sparkle, style, sequins and excitement for all theatre lovers at heart.

The Spectacular is on Friday 4 December at 6.00pm, and Saturday 5 December at 1.00pm and 6.00pm, at the Draney Theatre, Marist College Ashgrove. For tickets, visit www.trybooking.com/dmcum

First Communion — Sunday 15 November

Our First Communion program is in preparation and the sacrament will be celebrated at the 8.30am Mass on Sunday 15 November. Please pray for all our candidates — Hayden, Margot, Edie, Darcy, Fleur, Josef and Michael.

All Saints Ideas for Kids

To help children join the celebration for All Saints Day, the Children & Families Team from Archdiocesan Ministries has put together a range of resources, including new additions to the popular saint trading cards, story wheels, prayer beads and playdough mats. Order your resources at tinyurl.com/AllSaintsKidsResources2026

