

PARISH BULLETIN

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 12th July 2026 (Year A)

"A SOWER WENT OUT TO SOW" — MATTHEW 13:3

Reflect today on God's generous and continuous sowing in your soul. He never ceases speaking to you, calling to you, and planting His Word within you. How receptive are you? Which soil best describes your soul? It's never too late to respond in this life. God's Word can grow rapidly within us when our souls are fertile and receptive. Remove the rocks, cut down the thorns, and till the hardened path, so that the abundant seed will make its way into your heart.

Welcome in baptism — Micah and Rome

Last Sunday we welcomed two more children into our family of faith — Micah (mum and dad Sreya and Christom Thomas), and Rome (mum Melbi Biju and dad Roger Stephen). Congratulations to them and all their families.

Thank you from the St Vinnie's team

A massive thank you to the parishioners of St Michael's for your generosity with donations of funds, blankets, and warm clothes; including beanies, gloves, and scarves. Thanks to Sr Maureen and the knitting/crotchet group for the multiple bags of warmth provided, and also to the knitters from Love Wraps for the amazing blankets sent via Carlton Meyn. Emmanuel City Mission and St Vinnie's West End are grateful recipients and distributors of this generosity. A beanie, gloves and a blanket can make a big difference in a homeless person's life. God bless our wonderful parish.

Proper of the Mass

First Reading: Isaiah 55: 10–11

Response: The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Second Reading: Romans 8: 18–23

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 13: 1–23

Feasts of the Week

Tuesday — Camillus de Lellis, priest (1550 – 1614)

Born of a noble Italian family, he was a young soldier of fortune when he decided to consecrate his life to the service of the sick, founding the Order of Hospitallers.

Thursday — Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Commemorates the apparition of the Blessed Virgin Carmelite Superior General St Simon Stock in 1251, where she promised a special blessing for those who devoutly wear her scapula, showing trust in her motherly aid.

Children's liturgy

The next children's liturgy will be held at the 8.30am Mass on **Sunday 2 August**.

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

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

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We pray for: June Meecham, 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 Stephen Anning, Patricia David (Dinah), Mary Mullane, Kathleen Mitchell, Tracy Kelly, Alan Williams, Rose Graham, Phoebe Semple, Romilia Ventura, Delma Schmidt, Trevour Pettersen, Veronica Robertson, Peter Brown, Fr John Kilinko, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

ST MICHAEL'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM — FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The St Michael's sacramental program will take children through First Communion this year and commence from September. To be eligible for the program, children need to have completed Confirmation.

Note that we alternate between confirmation and First Holy Communion and will undertake a Confirmation program in 2027. Please contact stephenvincentwalker@gmail.com for more information or to nominate.

Fr Pat Doran — Anniversary of Priestly Ordination

Today (Sunday) is the 67th anniversary of ordination of Fr Pat Doran, former Parish Priest of St Michael's (2000–2018). He is grateful for our continuing prayers.

Thanks for your ongoing support

Thank you to those who contribute regularly to the church through planned giving envelopes, direct debit and the tap-and-go. It enables the church community to continue its various works.

Marist Card Day

Marist College Ashgrove Card Day is this Wednesday 15 July, 9:00am – 2:00pm in the Cyprian Pavilion. Lunch and morning tea included. Entry $25 (Mastercard/VISA only). All proceeds go towards the College P & F.

For information, contact Amy Hammon on 0416501417.

SPECIAL DAY THIS WEEKEND — SEA SUNDAY

Today, 12 July, is Sea Sunday, when the Church remembers and prays for the men and women whose work sustains nations, connects people, maintains trade, and supports families around the world — our seafarers, fishers and port workers. The war-torn seas of the Straits of Hormuz highlight how dangerous their work can be, aside from the natural hazards of enduring treacherous ocean conditions.

Seafarers can also feel alone and isolated, working far from family and friends.

You are encouraged to support the mission and ministry of Stella Maris Australia, formerly known as the Apostleship of the Sea. It's the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church, operating in over 300 ports around the world. It aims to help and support seafarers spiritual and material needs, advocate for their dignity and human rights, and champions strengthened international relations. Donations can be made to 'The Apostleship of the Sea Current Account', BSB 062 784 and Account Number 100 012 583.



Quo Vadis for Men 2026

Vocation Brisbane invites young men to explore their vocational calling through this guided weekend retreat experience.

Participants spend quality time with like-minded individuals on the same journey of discernment, whilst enjoying good food, meaningful conversations, and social activities. The weekend features dynamic talks, small group discussions, and prayer opportunities designed to help you discover where God may be calling you.

When: Friday 31 July – Sunday 2 August | 4:30pm – 2:00pm

Where: Holy Spirit Seminary

Find out more here: **tinyurl.com/QuoVadisMen2026**