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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

19th/20th September 2026

A little boy once told his mother, "Mum, it is not fair! My brother got the same ice cream as me, but I cleaned my room and he didn't!" His mother smiled and said, "Perhaps today I am giving you both ice cream because I love you, not because you earned it." The boy was still unhappy, but his mother was teaching him an important lesson: love is not always about fairness.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us a parable that sounds unfair. A landowner hires workers for his vineyard at different times during the day. Some work from early morning, others only for an hour before sunset. Yet at the end of the day, everyone receives the same wage. The workers who laboured all day complain, "This is not fair!"

From a human point of view, they are right. But Jesus is not teaching us about salaries or workplace rules. He is teaching us about the Kingdom of God. God's ways are different from our ways. This is exactly what we hear in the first reading from Isaiah: "My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord."

The vineyard represents the Church and the Kingdom of God. The workers are all those whom God calls into His service. Some people respond to God's call early in life. Others come back to Him much later. Some saints followed God from childhood, while others converted after many years away from Him. Yet God welcomes all with the same loving heart.

The work in the vineyard is our Christian life: praying, worshipping, serving others, showing kindness, forgiving, and living acts of charity. The reward is much more than money. The reward is God's love, peace, joy, friendship, and finally eternal life.

The parable reminds us that God is rich in mercy. Those who appear weak, lost, or late in responding to God often receive abundant grace. God does not measure as we do. He looks at the heart. He rejoices whenever a sinner returns to Him, even at the last moment.

In the second reading, St Paul gives us a beautiful example of total love for Christ. He says, "For me, life is Christ and death is gain." Paul loved Jesus so deeply that everything in his life was centred on Him. Whether living or dying, he wanted only one thing: to glorify Christ.

What a challenge for us! Can we say, "For me, life is Christ"? Do our words, actions, and choices glorify Jesus? Paul teaches us that true happiness comes not from ourselves but from living for Christ.

Today, Jesus invites us into His vineyard once again. It does not matter whether we have followed Him for many years or have only recently renewed our faith. He welcomes us with mercy. Let us not compare ourselves with others. Let us rejoice that God is generous to everyone.

May we work faithfully in the Lord's vineyard, live lives filled with charity, and one day receive the greatest reward of all: eternal life with Him in heaven.

Amen.

Readings for this week (19th & 20th September)

Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

My thoughts are not your thoughts.

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is near to all who call him.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:20-24, 27

For me to live is Christ

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

Why are you jealous because I am generous?

Readings for next week (26th & 27th September)

Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading: Ezekial 18:25-28

The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

Responsorial Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:28-32

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.

Monday 21st Sept— St Matthew (apostle, evangelist)
(Feast)

Wednesday 23rd Sept – St Pius of Pietrelcina (priest)
(Memorial)

Rosary at Tamborine Mountain

The Rosary at Tamborine Mountain now has a new start time of **7am** before the Sunday Mass each week. Thank you to those who continue to support this ministry.

Rosary- October 3rd

October is the month of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. Let's celebrate God's gift to us of our Mother Mary. Please join us in our public square Rosary, in front of St Mary's Church on **Saturday October 3rd from 9am until 10am.**

We will be praying the Rosary to ask for God's merciful blessing, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Fatima, for our Parish, for the Church in Australia, and the repentance and conversion of the world.

Money Counters

21st September—Trish 28th September – Peter
6th October – Colleen 12th October - Peter

Please pray for our sick brothers and sisters

Ken Armstrong, Barbara Barnes, Hope Hartley, Leanne Deearin, Jan Dore, John Breckon-Thomas, John & Therese Hagan, Nereza Don, Marie McIlhatton, Rev Geoffrey Reader, Fae Eyears, David Murchie, Tony Torre, Janet Young, Rosie, Lauraine Ward, Katrina Foster, Moya Mitchell, Michael Gough, Andrew Gough, Liz Murray, John McCormack, Damian McCormack, Janette Escreet, David Ward, Denice Ward, Holly Anne, Nathan Craze, Heather Neeson, Bernice Mahoney, Bernadette Fitzgerald, Olwin Wendt, Caroline Gee, Lorelle Benyon, Clayton Musk & Moyla Shannon.

We remember and pray for those who have recently died,

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

***Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.***

May they rest in peace.

Amen.

URGENT!!! Parish Account Closure

We have been instructed to close a few of the Parish accounts as they are not interest bearing, so we are losing 'passive income' each month. If you have filled out a direct debit form and submitted it to the office at any point, your transaction won't be touched and so you won't need to do anything further.

If you have an alternative direct debit set up, we urge you to please check and make any alterations to make sure it is directed to the following account:

Name: Beaudesert Parish

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This is the same for Mass dedications and anything of that sort, the above details are for our sole working account so should be the only one used moving forward.

If you have not set up a direct debit through the office, you are welcome to set one up and cancel your private transaction. This will help avoid any confusion in future. If you have any questions or concerns, or you are unsure whether you have a transaction through the office or privately, please contact the office during opening hours and I will be more than happy to chase it up. *Thank you.*

URGENT

Holy Baptism

We welcome to our Parish Ollie Collins, who will be Baptised into the Catholic Faith this weekend.

Please keep this child and his family in your prayers.



Bible Reflection– 25th Sunday (20th September)

Jesus told his disciples this parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard.

Matthew 18:23-25

Reflect today on your own place among the labourers in the vineyard. Are you tempted to compare your spiritual journey with other? Do you resent the blessings others have received, or do you trust that God sees your heart and will reward you with generosity beyond measure? Rejoice that Divine Equity governs the Kingdom of Heaven; in that justice, perfected by mercy, all things are made right.

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Daily Books for 2027- Orders Open

Orders will be placed at the end of October. Please contact the office to put your name down for a copy.

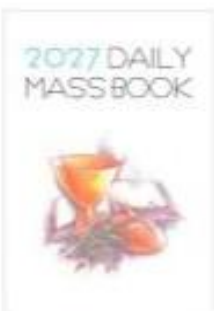
The Official Ordo for Australia and New Zealand is the indispensable reference for liturgy planning in every sacristy and church office. It includes daily reading references with taglines, psalm citations and responses, and gospel acclamations. Also highlighted are special days of commemoration, making it a practical resource for clergy, musicians, readers, and all who prepare the liturgy.

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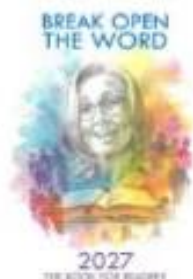
The Daily Mass Book 2027 is a reliable companion for the liturgical year, spanning Advent to Advent. Containing the complete texts for Sunday and weekday Masses, it offers over 600 pages in a compact and practical format. Its two-colour printing and clear layout make it simple to use and easy to navigate day by day.

RRP \$37



Break Open the Word 2027: Year B provides the complete set of readings and psalms for every Sunday of the year, together with fresh commentary written especially for this edition. Each reflection offers a helpful background to the texts as well as practical guidance on how best to proclaim them. This book also includes a clear pronunciation guide and an introductory section, The Ministry of Reader, to support readers in their important liturgical role.

RRP \$37



Parish Strategic Planning Journey Begins

Today marks the beginning of an exciting journey toward creating a 5-year strategic plan for our parish. Together, we'll dream about building a vibrant, welcoming community rooted in missionary discipleship. Over the coming weeks, we'll explore key ministry areas – Children & Families, Youth, Community, Outreach, Worship, Maintenance, and Faith Formation -through short videos shown at weekend Masses.

The videos played at Mass each week, along with the relevant surveys, will be sent in a follow up email on Monday, in case you miss the Mass. If you are planning on completing the survey in the follow up week, we do ask that you complete it before the Friday of the week as another one will come the next week.

This process will culminate in a Parish Summit in November, where we'll share our hopes for the future. We're partnering with Archdiocesan Ministries to guide this journey, and we invite **everyone** to get involved. Let's dream together and shape the future of our parish!

Mercy Hall Keys

In my absence, it seems that 2 of the Mercy Hall keys have gone for a walk without telling me where they're going... If you have used the hall this year, could I please ask that you have a look around for a key that you accidentally may not have returned and get it back to the office (no questions asked). If you require the key regularly, this is okay, I just need to know who has them purely for Safeguarding reasons. *Thank you in advance.*

Happy Birthday!

Please join together to wish Sylvia Hickey well as she celebrates her 75th birthday on Friday 25th September. We pray that she is blessed with good health for many more years to come. *Happy birthday, Sylvia!*



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Booking required by 25 October 2026



Are you, or someone you know, wanting to know more about the Catholic Church or join our faith community?

Would you just like to talk about it without having to commit?

RCIA is a group of believers in the parish who meet regularly, and are ready to talk about any questions you may have! To begin a conversation, call the Parish Office 07 5541 1068, or email:

stmarys@bne.catholic.net.au

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?



Mass Times: 21st – 27th September

Monday 21st	Tuesday 22nd	Wednesday 23rd	Thursday 24th	Friday 25th	Saturday 26th	Sunday 27th
Wongaburra 9:30am <i>(All welcome!)</i>	Whiddon 9:15am <i>(All welcome!)</i>	Tamborine Mountain 9:00am	No Masses	Beaudesert 8:50am	Beaudesert 6:30pm	Tamborine Mountain 7:30am
Beaudesert 5:00pm	Beaudesert 5:00pm	Beaudesert Adoration 4:30pm Mass 5:30pm				Beaudesert 9:30am <i>No family Mass during School holidays</i>

Divine Mercy Devotion: Every Sunday 3:00 – 3:15pm: St. Mary's Church, Beaudesert.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Wednesday: Beaudesert 4:30pm

Anointing Masses: First Wednesday of each month

Reconciliation: Before weekday Masses. Please call (07) 5541 1068

Our Mission

'Guided by the Holy Spirit, we aim to be an evangelising, listening and faith-filled parish; underpinned by the values of compassion, inclusivity and love of neighbour.' Our mission is: **evangelisation** of our parish and wider communities; **liturgy and prayer opportunities** that form, inform and transform our faith; **pastoral support** through initiatives that invite people to share their gifts and talents; and **leadership** that supports life-long faith formation and promotes responsible stewardship of our resources.

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