



CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Under the pastoral care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate



The community of the Cannon Hill Catholic Parish acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13TH JULY 2025

As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem, he is confronted by a scholar of the law who wants to test him. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, Jesus is asked about the greatest commandment. Here, in Luke's Gospel, the lawyer asks what we must do to inherit eternal life. In the other two Gospels, Jesus answers the question by quoting Deuteronomy 6:5, on loving God with all your heart, and Leviticus 19:18, on loving your neighbor. Here Jesus asks the expert to answer this question, "What is written in the law?" The man is caught and responds with Deuteronomy 6:5. This verse is one of the most important prayers in Judaism, and it was said twice a day in Jesus' time. Love of God and love of neighbor are what is required for eternal life. Jesus' response is simple, "Do this and you will live."

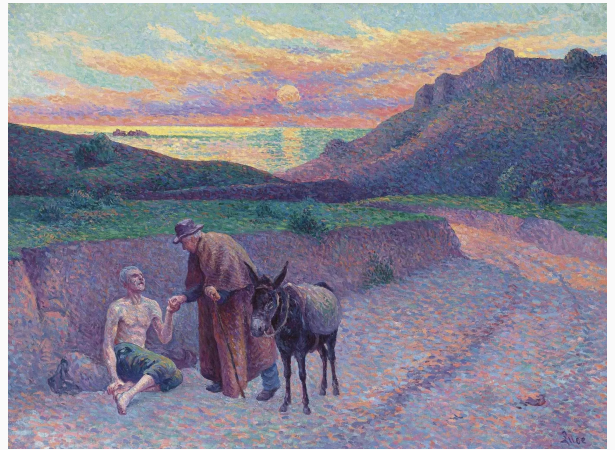
Having been shown up by Jesus, the lawyer tries another question: Who is my neighbor whom I must love like myself? In the society of Jesus' time, with its distinctions between Jews and Gentiles, men and women, clean and unclean, this was a trick question. Jesus responds with one of the most beautiful of all the parables, the Good Samaritan. It is found only in Luke's Gospel.

The road from Jerusalem to Jericho descends 3,300 feet in just 17 miles. Its narrow passes and rocky terrain made it an easy place for bandits to wait for travelers.

The traveler in this parable is identified only as "a certain man." Luke uses this phrase in many of his parables so that the audience, Jew or Gentile, could identify with the man. After the attack, the man is left for dead, naked and bleeding on the side of the road. A priest comes along, but rather than helping, as one might expect, he moves to the other side of the road. Another religious person comes along, a Levite who assists in the Temple. His reaction is the same as the priest's. Both of them choose to not even find out if the man is alive. A third person comes along. The listeners would probably expect him to be an Israelite. This would make the parable a criticism of the religious leadership. Instead he is a Samaritan, an Israelite's most hated neighbor. Samaritans were descendants of Jews from the northern part of the country, who had intermarried with Gentiles and did not worship in Jerusalem. The Samaritan not only goes over to the injured man but cleans his wounds, puts him on his own animal, takes him to an inn to recover, and promises to pay all his expenses. The hated enemy is the compassionate neighbor in this parable.

Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. It is not social definitions such as class, religion, gender, or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbor. A neighbor is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbor in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of the first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it.



The Good Samaritan, Painting by Maximilien Luce (1858-1941), Painted in 1896, oil on canvas, © Christie's New York See art reflection here: <https://tinyurl.com/2f335jud>

Source: Loyola Press

SAVE THE DATE

Parish Centenary Celebrations - 1925-2025 Sunday, 3rd August



Join us as we celebrate 100 years since the founding of the Cannon Hill Catholic Parish. A special Centenary Mass will be held at St Oliver Plunkett Church, with a gathering in the church at 9.15am, an official welcome at 9.25am and Mass commencing at 9.30am. This will be followed by a community BBQ and a fascinating display showcasing 100 years of Parish history and memorabilia. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together in thanksgiving, share memories, and honour the rich history of our Parish.

This Week at a Glance:

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 68)
R. Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.
Gospel Acclamation (John 6: 63, 68)
Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10
Lord, do not bypass your servant.
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 14:2-5
R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.
Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28
The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.
Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38-42 Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

MASSES & MEETINGS

Cannon Hill - St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 9:00am

Saturday - 6:00pm; Sunday - 9:30am

Tingalpa - Holy Family Catholic Church:

Thursday - 9:00am; Sunday - 8:00am

Reconciliation: Saturday, 5pm-5:30pm - St Oliver Plunkett Church

Prayer Intentions Prayer Group: Every Friday at 9.30am - St Oliver Plunkett Church (except during Lent).

Eucharistic Adoration: 1st Friday of the month following 9:00am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church (except during Lent).

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month held after the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. (Welcoming Mass combined with the Baptism Mass.)

Little Lanterns Liturgy: 1st Sunday of the month (except January) during the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. All primary school-aged children are welcome to attend.

Parish Morning Tea: 1st Sunday of the month following Mass at both Churches; Every Wednesday after 9:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

COMING UP...

13 JUL - SUN: Baptisms, 9.30am at St Oliver Plunkett.

15 JUL - TUE: St Bonaventure (Memorial)

17 JUL - THU: Connect Dinner, 6:00am, Parish Hall

22 JUL - TUE: Feast of St Mary Magdalene

26 JUL - SAT: Sts Joachim and Anne (Memorial); Working Bee at SOP, 8am.

28 JUL to 03 AUG: Jubilee of Youth

31 JUL - THU: St Ignatius of Loyola (Memorial)

01 AUG - FRI: Sacrament of Penance, 9.30am, SOP

02 AUG - SAT: 6pm Vigil at Church of the Holy Family, Tingalpa. NO Vigil Mass at St Oliver Plunkett, CH.

03 AUG - SUN: Centenary Celebrations, 9.15am, SOP NO 8:00am Mass at Holy Family Church, Tingalpa

04 AUG - MON: Adult Formation Course, Mod 2 begins, 7:00pm, Parish Hall

REGULAR MEETINGS

MON: Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conference

Fortnightly at 6:15pm

Next meeting: **Monday, 21st July**

Contact: Paul 0418 750 367

TUE: Parish Leadership Team

Fortnightly at 6:00pm

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 15th July**

WED: Parish Liturgy Meeting

Monthly at 4:30pm

Next Meeting: **Wednesday, 20th August**

THU: Parish Finance Council Meeting

Bi-monthly at 4:30pm

Next Meeting: **Thursday, 18th September**

Plate Collections - 6th July

First Collection: \$369.10 | Second Collection: \$428.05

Thank you for your ongoing support.

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL - LUKE 10:25-7

Who is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus. 'Do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Deut 30:10-14

Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37

R. Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

All things were created through him and for him.

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:25-37

Who is my neighbour?



"The Lord receives, sanctifies, and blesses the bread and wine that we place on the Altar, together with the offering of our lives, and transforms them into the Body and Blood of Christ, a sacrifice of love for the salvation of the world."

Pope Leo XIV, 22nd June 2025

Mass Intentions

Week beginning 13th July - 9 am

15/07 Tuesday: Survivors of Abuse

16/07 Wednesday: Mazenod College, WA

17/07 Thursday: Vocations

18/07 Friday: Fremantle/Care Centre

Weekend Masses offered for the intentions of all in the Parish

JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA *All Welcome!!!*

Every Wednesday

Cannon Hill - After 9am mass

First Sunday of the Month

Tingalpa - after 8am Mass

Cannon Hill - after 9.30am Mass



PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

OUR SICK

Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is sick and would appreciate a home visit.

We pray for those in the community who are sick. May the healing spirit of Christ bring them comfort and hope.

Edgar Tan, Vincy Law Tan, Sam Swann, Athol Young, Ray Webb, Karen Marrinan, Carol-Ann Marrinan, Jeanette Hill, Lucia Giaccio, Rob Connolly, Ashley Anthony, Daniel Normyle, Jo Lorsch, Carol Flannigan, Catherine, Elizabeth and Monika, Harry Lynas, Michael Simpson, John la Spina, Lani Clow, Beryl McInally, Von Leeman, Imelda Khoo, Ken Drego, Lorretta Stephenson, Brian Crimmins, Mary Stevenson, Veronica Roberts, Angela White, Melisa Duffy.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Marlyn McVinish; Bertha Bheem

ANNIVERSARIES

Jose C. Ramones, Aldegunda Ramones, Santos C. Ramone Jr.



BAPTISMS: We are delighted to welcome **Ezra Alveres, Hope Kim and Kai Roberts**, as their baptisms are celebrated in our parish this Sunday. *May God's peace, joy, and protection be with them and their families on this joyous occasion and throughout their lives.*

Last Sunday's Baptism Mass

Last Sunday, we came together at St Oliver Plunkett Church to celebrate the significance of our Baptisms. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped organise this special Mass — it was a joyful and memorable occasion.

During the Mass, we were blessed to hear a powerful testimony from one of our newest parishioners, Shaun. For those who were unable to hear it due to sound issues, Shaun has kindly shared his story with us. Below is a summary, and you can read his full testimony here: <https://tinyurl.com/shaun-test>

I'm a recent convert to the Catholic faith. In a season of searching, I turned to God and was met with a surprising sense of peace — like a quiet undercurrent beneath a stormy sea. A phrase I'd once heard, "Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10), resurfaced and sparked a deeper longing. I began reading "Why We're Catholic" by Trent Horn and attended Mass for the first time. I joined the RCIA Programme and through this journey, I discovered the richness of the Catholic faith, especially the Eucharist, which I came to believe is truly the Body and Blood of Christ.

Being received into the Church at the Easter Vigil this year was a moment of awe and peace. Since then, I've felt grounded and at home in God. I try to bring my struggles to Him in prayer and live each day with greater patience and compassion. If you're searching or unsure if God is real, don't give up. Sometimes it starts with a question, a book, or simply stepping into a church. And if you've been away, know that the door is always open.

"Be still and know that I am God." — Psalm 46:10

Working Bee

Saturday, 26th July, from 8am

In preparation for Centenary Celebration on Sunday, 3rd August, we will be holding a working bee to help tidy up St Oliver Plunkett Church, parish hall, and the surrounding grounds.

Tea, coffee, and a light morning tea will be served. Please call the Parish Office if you're able to assist. Your help would be most appreciated!



Rosies - Friends on the Street

provides street outreach for the homeless, disadvantaged and isolated.

Your support ensures that Rosies can continue helping people who are doing it tough. Please help by filling the red bin in the foyer at St Oliver Plunkett Church (see lid for items needed). Thank you for your support!

Cannon Hill Parish is **Child Safety Aware** and complies with Australian Privacy Laws. Our Safeguarding Representative is Ronda Vorrasi. A copy of the Safeguarding Policy is situated in the foyer of the church. **STOPLINE CONTACT:** Phone: 1300 304 400 | Email: AOB@stoline.com.au



All parishioners, along with their family and friends, are warmly invited to **Connect Dinners** held every second Thursday in the Parish Hall. The next Connect Dinner will be held on **Thursday, 17th July from 6pm to 8pm**. Bring a dish to share and enjoy a short presentation followed by an engaging discussion. All welcome!!!

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00am - 2.30pm

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Sachin Rasquinha, Ronda Vorrasi, Guy Elliot, Aaron Tippetts, Michael Hill



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DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS WELCOME

Thank you for your generous support, which impacts the lives of those we serve. Your donations directly foster the growth and prosperity of our community and sustain our ministries. Donations can be made via the EFTPOS terminal at the church entrance (split between 1st and 2nd collections) or through our secure online direct debit system (call the Parish Office to organise). Please consider including our *Perpetual Endowment Fund* in your Will to help continue our mission for future generations. For more Bequest info. contact the Catholic Foundation on 3324 3200 or call the Parish Office. Donate using the QR Code or go to <https://tinyurl.com/parish-donate>



OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS



Domestic Violence: Not in my Church? Online Seminar Series #4

Spiritual Abuse -2

Wednesday 16th July 5.00pm-6.00pm
(via zoom)

What is Spiritual Abuse in terms of Domestic Violence?

"Spiritual and religious abuse is when a person uses spiritual or religious belief to hurt, scare or control someone"

Australian Institute of Family Studies

Spiritual Abuse and the Church

- How Churches can be complicit in Spiritual Abuse
- What can Churches do to be part of the solution

"Faith leaders are uniquely placed to reach out to victims and help direct them to services and safety. Starting right in our own congregations, we can transform faith from a weapon to a resource and support victims with knowledge and compassion."

Safe Havens - Interfaith partnership against domestic violence and elder abuse



Registration via trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/DCWJF>



ARCHDIOCESAN CENTRE FOR CATHOLIC FORMATION COMMENCING 4TH AUGUST SEMESTER 2 - MODULE 2

UNDERSTANDING, PRAYING AND LIVING THE SCRIPTURES

This module engages participants in the scriptures, exploring their inspiration, canonisation, unity and how to interpret scripture within the Catholic tradition. This module will also provide participants with introductions to various books within the canon as well as theological principals that inform the Catholic reading of scripture. Beyond the mechanics, this module provides an experience of listening to the voice of God in scripture, ensuring that scripture moves beyond mere text to being experienced as God's word to us.

Topics covered include:

- Can we trust the Scriptures?
- Ecclesial Exegesis: Interpreting Scripture with the Church
- The Unity of the Two Testaments
- The 'Grand Narrative' – Stories within the Larger Story
- The Gospels: Matthew, Mark and John
- Luke and the Acts of the Apostles
- The Letters
- Biblical Foundations for Catholic Doctrine
- Scripture in the Liturgy and the Role of the Lector
- The Sacramentality of Scripture



COST: \$250 per person or \$150 per person for groups of 5 or more.
Please call the Parish Office if interested.

See more info here: <https://tinyurl.com/mod2-aug>



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Lunch with Sister Nathalie Becquart, xmcj Wednesday, 27 August 2025 12:00 PM



Sr Nathalie Becquart XMCI is a woman of remarkable faith and vision, helping to shape the future of the Catholic Church with courage and clarity. As the first woman ever granted voting rights in the Synod of Bishops, and now serving as Under-Secretary of the Synod, she stands at the heart of a global movement towards a more inclusive and listening Church.

With a rich background in theology, sociology, and entrepreneurship, Sr Nathalie speaks with both depth and dynamism on leadership, discernment, and synodality. Recognised among the BBC's 100 most influential women, her voice resonates with those yearning for a Church that walks together. Her presence and insights are sure to inspire and challenge us all to imagine what true collaboration in faith can look like.

See more here: <https://tinyurl.com/hhy4hme8>



MEDIA SPOTLIGHT

"How can you believe all this stuff? This is the number-one question Catholics get asked and, sometimes, we ask ourselves. Why do we believe that God exists, that he became a man and came to save us, that what looks like a wafer of bread is actually his body? Why do we believe that he inspired a holy book and founded an infallible Church to teach us the one true way to live? Ever since he became Catholic, Trent Horn has spent a lot of time answering these questions, trying to explain to friends, family and total strangers the reasons for his Catholic faith. Some didn't believe in God, or even in the existence of truth. Others said they were spiritual but didn't think you needed religion to be happy. Some were Christians who thought Catholic doctrines over-complicated the pure gospel. See more info here <https://tinyurl.com/54my6tk6>

WHY WE'RE CATHOLIC



OUR REASONS FOR FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE

TRENT HORN

Available at all good book stores.

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