ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT CHURCH
HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Under the pastoral care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

The call of Jesus Christ, heard within the Church through people's need for salvation, draws us together as Missionary Oblates of Mary.' (Oblate Constitution 1)

THIRY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORD TIME — 8TH NOVEMBER

In this week's Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. This week's reading follows a series of warnings and predictions by Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus wants his disciples to understand that the exact day and time cannot be predicted. He teaches the disciples that they must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

When thinking about the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, it is important to consider the first-century wedding traditions of Palestine. Scholars tell us that it was the custom of the day for young maidens—friends and family members of the bride—to meet the bridegroom when he came to bring his bride to her new home.



The parable of the wise and foolish virgins,
Executed by Friedrich Wilhelm von Schadow (1789 - 1862),
Oil on canvas, Executed in 1842,
© 2019 Städel Museum, Frankfurt, Germany
See reflection here: https://tinyurl.com/44sdy7pf

As with many of Jesus' parables, several levels of interpretation are possible. In last week's Gospel, we heard Jesus warn against following the example of the Pharisees and scribes. If read in the context of early Christianity's struggle to define itself against Pharisaic Judaism, this parable is a continuing critique of Judaism. It suggests that the Jewish leaders were like the foolish virgins, unprepared to meet Jesus, the bridegroom of Israel.

In the chapter preceding this parable, however, Jesus warns about the destruction of Jerusalem, the tribulation of the end times, and the coming of the Son of Man. When read in this context, today's parable is a warning to the Christian community to remain vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus, the Son of Man who will return at the end of time. This interpretation is supported by the reference to the delay of the bridegroom. The Christian community for whom Matthew wrote this Gospel was coming to terms with the realization that the promise of Jesus' return would not be fulfilled within their lifetimes. The question remains for us to ask ourselves, Are we ready to receive Jesus? Will we be prepared to receive him?

Source: Loyola Press

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Feast Day: 9th November

The Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica reminds us of the importance of the Church as a sacred place and, more deeply, as the living Body of Christ. ***The Basilica of St John Lateran*** *in Rome is the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome and is regarded as the "mother and head of all the churches of the city and the world." Its dedication points beyond the beauty of a building to the mystery of God dwelling among His people.*

This feast invites us to remember that we too, are temples of the Holy Spirit. Through Baptism, Christ calls us to become living stones, building up the Church through faith, love, service, and unity. The Gospel reminds us that Jesus Himself is the true Temple, the meeting place between God and humanity. As we celebrate this feast, may we allow Christ to renew our hearts and make our lives a dwelling place for God's presence and love.

See more at *My Catholic Life* https://tinyurl.com/ywdn2jbw

This Week's Readings

First Reading - Wisdom 6:12-16
Wisdom is found by those who look for it.
Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 62:2-8
R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.
Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.
Gospel Reading - Matthew 25:1-13
Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

This Week's Mass Intentions

08/11: Dernancourt
09/11: Chaplaincies
10/11: Eagle Vale
11/11: Oblate Families
12/11: Sick & Elderly OMIs
13/11: Sorrento/Drom./Rosebud
14/11: Moe/Newborough



OUR VISION - TO BE AN EXCITED, TRUE TO ITSELF, WELCOMING COMMUNITY, UNIFIED BY GOD'S LOVE.
OUR MISSION - GO MAKE DISCIPLES EVERYWHERE.

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: every Saturday, 5:00pm - 5:30pm at St Oliver Plunkett Church.

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

Anointing and Healing: first Wednesday of every second month, 9:00am at St Oliver Plunkett Church.

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.

Hospitality - Parish Morning Tea: 1st Sunday of the month following Mass at both churches; every Wednesday after 9:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

THIS WEEKEND...

08 NOV - SUN: Baptisms, St Oliver Plunkett Church.

COMING UP...

09 NOV - MON: Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica.
10 NOV - TUE: St Leo the Great (Memorial).
11 NOV - WED: St Martin of Tours (Memorial).
12 NOV - THU: St Josaphat (Memorial).
15 NOV - SUN: World Day of the Poor; Baptisms, SOPC.
17 NOV - TUE: St Elizabeth of Hungary (Memorial).
21 NOV - SAT: Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial).
22 NOV - SUN: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Solemnity); Thanksgiving Mass & BBQ, 9.30am, SOPC
29 NOV - SUN: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT.

REGULAR MEETINGS

MON: **Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conference**
Fortnightly at 6:15pm
Next meeting: **Monday, 9th November**
Contact: Paul 0418 750 367

TUE: **Parish Leadership Team**
Fortnightly at 6:00pm
Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 10th November**

WED: **Parish Liturgy Meeting**
Monthly at 4:30pm
Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 10th November**

THU: **Parish Finance Council Meeting**
Bi-monthly at 4:30pm
Next Meeting: **Thursday, 3rd December**

Last Weekend's Plate Collections

First (Oblates): **$647.00** | Second (Parish): **$391.70**

Thank you for your ongoing support.

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - THIRTY-THIRD SUN IN ORD
First Reading - Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Give her a share in what she has worked for.
Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 127
R. Happy are those who fear the Lord.
Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.
Gospel Reading - Matthew 25:14-30 *Because you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joy of the Lord.*



"God's generosity towards us in not naive but wise. He sees within us the potential of a good that, at times, we ourselves might fail to recognise. For this reason, the Lord, who knows the soil of our hearts better that we, never ceases to believe in us - in who we are and in who we can become, day by day, if we entrust ourselves to him in faith".

Pope Leo XIV, 2026

A Reflection - Be Prepared

In 1907, Robert Baden-Powell founded the Boy Scouts movement as a result of his experiences in Colonial India and South Africa. He used his initials to come up with their motto – "Be Prepared".
Today's Gospel demonstrates that Jesus asks us to "Be Prepared" almost 2,000 years before Robert! So what are we preparing for?
As Christians, we wait expectantly for the return of Jesus. This is based on our indisputable belief in His resurrection and ascension. No one knows the day of His return, nor do we need to. The call for us is to be prepared for the Bridegroom to come at any hour of the day or night. Jesus' words remind us of the ethereal nature of this life and the firm nature of the eternal life we are promised, so long as we have the oil of faith in our lamps.

~ John

BRISBANE ARCHDIOCESE SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT FOR ALL

Our Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse. We are committed to safeguarding all who participate in the life of the Church, especially children and adults-at-risk.
The safety, dignity and well-being of every person is paramount. We seek to ensure that all people are welcomed, respected and protected in our parishes, communities, ministries, services and agencies.laws.
This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff and Parishioners.
See more information here:
https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/

PRIVACY: The privacy of all individuals with whom the Cannon Hill Catholic Parish interacts is very important to us and we are committed to protecting all personal information. As part of the Archdiocese of Brisbane, we must abide by and adhere to the requirements in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles in the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) (Privacy Act) and The Australian Privacy Principles 7. The Policy is available at www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/privacy-policy, or on request.

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.

Steven Scougall, Denise Power, Deborah Sirett, Tony Vorrasi, Keenan Wiltshire, Baby Margaret Rose; Ed Pender, Mary-Jane McAuliffe, Anna Slawek, Gary Smith, Lameki Eketi, Eli Jorna, Marina Gilbert, Vincy Law Tan, Athol Young, Ken Drego, Karen Marrinan, Carol-Ann Marrinan, Jeanette Hill, Lucia Giaccio, Rob Connolly, Ashley Anthony, Daniel Normyle, Carol Flannigan, Catherine, Elizabeth and Monika, Harry Lynas, Michael Simpson, Imelda Khoo, Lorretta Stephenson, Brian Crimmins, Angela White, Mary Stevenson, Veronica Roberts, Melisa Duffy.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Eileen Canavan; Monica Hunt; Ronald Turner

*Names will remain on **Our Sick** list until advised otherwise. If you know of anyone who should be removed, please let the Parish Office know. Submissions for the sick, anniversaries or recently deceased should be received by Thursday midday, preferably by email.*



BAPTISMS

We are delighted to welcome **Felicity Clever, Luka Lizin and Ginny & Ada McDonough,** as their baptisms are celebrated in our parish this Sunday. *May God's peace, love, and protection be with them and their families on this joyous occasion and throughout their lives.*

Celebrating 60 Years of Marriage!

Congratulations to **Diane and Alan Hill**, who celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Thursday, 5th November.

Diane and Alan were married at Guardian Angels' Catholic Church, Wynnum in 1966.

We wish them every happiness as they celebrate this wonderful milestone and many more happy years together. Congratulations, Diane and Alan!



Mr. and Mrs. ALAN HILL, of Windsor, pictured after their marriage at the Guardian Angels' Church, Wynnum, on November 5. The bride was formerly Miss Diane Edwards, of Tamaree Avenue, Wynnum Heights. (Photo by Kathron Studios, Bay Terrace and Edith Street, Wynnum)

You are invited to the Annual Parish Thanksgiving Mass & BBQ Sunday, 22nd November at 9:30am



Join us **St Oliver Plunkett Church** as we come together to celebrate our wonderful Parish and give thanks for the generous services of our Volunteers.

Come along and share in this celebration with a Thanksgiving Mass followed by a BBQ. Bring you family and friends - all are welcome!

Please note: the Saturday Vigil Mass will be held at the Holy Family Church at 6.00pm and there will be no 8.00am Mass on Sunday.

2027 COLUMBAN ART CALENDARS

Columban Calendars are now available for purchase. Cost is $10 each and are available in church foyer.

Advent 2026 - "The Way of the Heart" Now available!

If you have already ordered and paid, please collect your copy from the foyer. Haven't ordered one yet? Copies are available for just $5. Place your payment in the container provided, or speak to someone who can assist you.

St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Primary School
Principal: Mr Greg Cran
APRE: Maree Cockerill (Acting)
Phone: (07) 3902 2100
Out of School Hours Care: Phone: (07) 3899 0952

Iona College Catholic Boys College
Principal: Mr Trevor Goodwin
Rector: Fr. Joe Antony Manickam OMI
Phone: (07) 3893 8888
Email: admin@iona.qld.edu.au Website: www.iona.qld.edu.au

CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday - Friday: 9.00am - 2.30pm

St Oliver Plunkett Church & Parish Centre
21 Beauvardia St, Cannon Hill Q 4170

Church of the Holy Family
41 Belmont Rd, Tingalpa Q 4173
(enter via 56 Palgrave St)

CONTACT
Phone: (07) 3853 7490
Mobile: 0493 096 073 (after hours)
WhatsApp: 0493 096 073

EMAIL
cannonhill@bne.catholic.net.au

WEBSITE
www.cannonhillparish.org.au

FACEBOOK
Cannon Hill Catholic Parish

PARISH TEAM

Parish Administrator: Fr John Patrick OMI
pp.cannonhill@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish Secretary: Norma Martiri
cannonhill@bne.catholic.net.au

Administration Support: Ronda Vorrasi
sc.cannonhill@bne.catholic.net.au

Local Safeguarding Rep: Ronda Vorrasi
lsr.cannonhill@bne.catholic.net.au
Mobile: 0494 166 815

Parish Leadership Team:
Sachin Rasquinha, Ronda Vorrasi, Guy Elliott, Michael Hill, Lawrence Swann

MISSIONARY OBLATES OMI of MARY IMMACULATE

From the moment the Oblates arrived in Fremantle in 1894, they have dedicated themselves to the mission of the Church in Australia. They dedicate themselves to serving the poor in parishes, schools, prisons, among the youth and with those on the streets. The Oblates preach Christ to the poor and the most abandoned and have served them in Australia for more than 100 years.
To learn more go to www.omi.com.au

DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your ongoing generosity and faithful support. Your contributions play a vital role in sustaining our parish ministries and enriching the lives of those we serve.

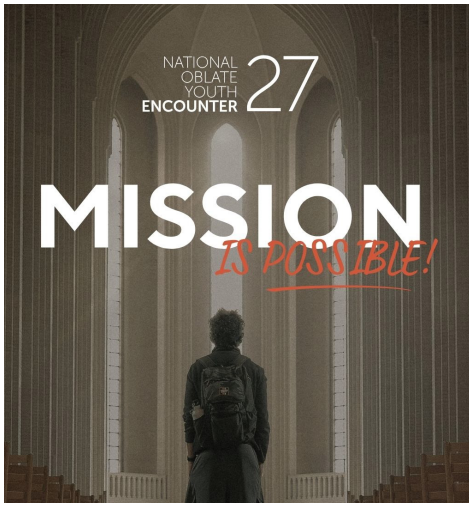
Donations can be made via the EFTPOS terminal at the church entrance (split between 1st and 2nd collections), or through our secure online direct debit facility (please contact the Parish Office to arrange).

For information regarding Bequests, contact the **Catholic Foundation** on **3324 3200** or the Parish Office on 3853 7490.

Donate using the QR Code or *https://tinyurl.com/parish-donate*

The community of Cannon Hill Catholic Parish and surrounds acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands. We pay our respects to the Yuggera and Turrbal people especially the elders past, present and emerging.

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS



National Oblate Youth Encounter 2027

Mission Is Possible!

Registrations are now open for the **National Oblate Youth Encounter** (NOYE), **4th to 8th January 2027** at St Eugene's Retreat Centre, Newborough, VIC.

NOYE brings together young people from across Australia for five days of faith, friendship and community, featuring talks, workshops, prayer, liturgy, music and connection. Open to young people from Year 12 to 30 years of age.

This year's theme, "MISSION IS POSSIBLE", explores how we can live our faith and the charism of St Eugene de Mazenod in today's world.

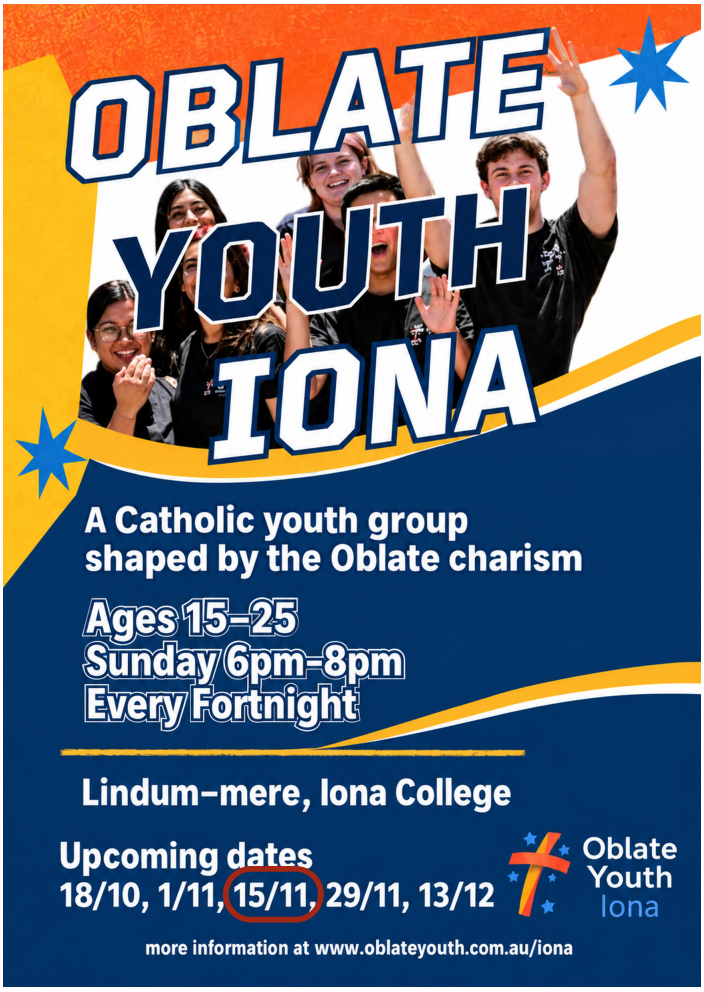
COST: $350 per person, including accommodation and meals https://bit.ly/noye27

2026 Annual Safeguarding Survey: Have Your Say!

The **Office for Safeguarding Services** encourages feedback from parish communities about key elements of the Archdiocesan approach to safeguarding. To gather this information, we have created the following survey for parish communities to have their say.
The survey should take no more than a couple of minutes to complete. To access the survey please go to https://tinyurl.com/46cabd6y

Rosies - Friends on the Street

Rosies provides street outreach and support to people who are homeless, disadvantaged and isolated. Please support their work by donating items to the red bin in the foyer at St Oliver Plunkett Church. See the lid for items needed. Thank you for your generosity. Learn more at: https://rosies.org.au/





Cannon Hill Parish is Child Safety Aware and complies with Australian Privacy Laws. Our Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR) is Ronda Vorrasi.
A copy of the Safeguarding Policy is situated in the foyer of the church. STOPLINE CONTACT: P: 1300 304 400 | E: AOB@stopline.com.au