



Kerang, Cohuna and Pyramid Hill CATHOLIC PARISHES

Vision-Mission: A welcoming faith filled Community, guided by the Holy Spirit. Strengthened through the celebration of the Holy Mass, developing our strong and caring foundation.

As you take your next step, remember our past and present ancestors.

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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

We are a child safe parish. Any children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with our Parish Child Safety Officers (03) 5452 1041.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A 26th & 27th September 2026 Looking at the Readings

Having the ability to reflect on our decisions and change our minds is not a bad thing, especially if it helps us align with the will of God. Are we humble enough to acknowledge a mistake and make a change? Jesus addressed his message to the chief priests and the elders of the people, some of whom were proud and could not understand the essence of the law. It was for this reason that Jesus told them that sinners would enter into the kingdom of God before them. Why? Because sinners were the ones who were able to self-reflect, regret what they had done, and change their behaviour, making room for God in their hearts. Therefore, it is not a sign of weakness to acknowledge our mistakes. Rather, in the eyes of God, it is a sign of humility.

Lord, help us humble ourselves today and make the necessary changes to align ourselves with your values.



We have a "Children's Corner" set up at the back of the Church. There are colouring pages and crayons/ pencils that can be used at the little table or taken back to where their parents are seated.



Parish News

Pope Leo's Intentions for September

For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Marian Festival Sunday 11th October at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo

All are welcome to the 52nd Marian Festival dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The day starts with Mass at 11:00 am celebrated by Bishop Emeritus Leslie Tomlinson, followed by BYO Lunch (or BBQ available); Festival begins with Rosary procession, followed by Guest Speaker then Benediction, and concludes with afternoon tea. National Costume dress welcome.

For more information go to:

www.bendigofatima.com

Contact: info@bendigofatima.com

The Pyramid Hill Choir

has kindly offered their time to join Kerang and Cohuna to provide the PowerPoint and sing during the Mass on the following dates.

4th October Cohuna 8.30am

18th October Kerang 10.30am

1st November Kerang 10.30am

15th November Cohuna 8.30am

20th November Kerang 10.30am

Pyramid Hill:~ Wednesday and Saturday night Mass will be at 6.30pm from the 4th October. Wednesday night will be every second Wednesday starting on the 14th of October.



Kerang Our Strategic Mission and Pastoral Goals (SMP) - to get to know those parishioners in our community a little better who are from other countries. Discussion about a 'Table Tasting Walk' with a variety of foods to be offered from those cultures. This will be held on Sunday, October 18th, Mission Day. Further information to follow.

Readings for the week.

September 2026 (27th Week in Ordinary Time, Year II) (PSALTER WEEK 2)

Monday 28th:	(G) St Wenceslaus. St Lawrence Ruiz. Job 1:6-22, Ps 16:1-3, 6-7, Luke 9:46-50
Tuesday 29th:	(W) St Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Daniel. 7:9-10, 13-14, Ps 137:1-5, John 1:47-51
Wednesday 30th:	(W) St Jerome. Job 9:1-12, 14-16, Ps 87:10-15, Luke 9:57-62
Thursday 1st:	(W) St Therese of the Child Jesus. Job 19:21-27, Ps 26:7-9, 13-14, Luke 10:1-12
Friday 2nd:	(W) The Holy Guardian Angels. Exodus 23:20-23, Ps 90:1-6, 10-11, Matthew 18:1-5, 10
Saturday 3rd:	(G) Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17, Ps 118:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130, Luke 10:17-24

Kerang's Collection: \$718.50

Prayer Requests

For Those Who Are Unwell

Kerang: Faye B., Gerry O'Donoghue

Cohuna: Clare & Magie, Danny Hanlon, Bryan Gibbs, Laurie & Pat Roberts, Brian McLoughlan, Colleen Keating

Pyramid Hill: Margaret, Phil S., Terry W. and all our elderly and residents of our Nursing Homes, Retirement Villages and those in Hospital.

Recent Deaths:

Death Anniversaries

Kerang: Neil Cuddy, Rob O'Halloran, John Cotter, Marcelina Figuera, Bernard Murray, Margaret Murray, Bridget Keane, Jack Hallinan, Jean Kelly.

Cohuna: Elaine McCormick

Pyramid Hill: Thomas Guthrie, Ellen Dunne, Damien Stone, Franceca Younghusband, Arthur Cassidy, Shane Lamprel, William Anderson, Mons M. O'Reilly, Emma Byrne, Aidan Byrne, Lucy Bottsman.

This Week 26 th & 27 th September	Rosters	Next Week 3 rd & 4 th October
6.00pm PYRAMID HILL 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A		6.30pm PYRAMID HILL 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
Commentator/POF: Richard Fernandez Reader: MaryAnne Domingo Gifts: Cain Family Eucharistic Minister: Carmen Cauchi		Commentator/POF: Michaelle Domingo Reader: Jessamine Palanca Gifts: Domingo Family Eucharistic Minister: Anne Grogan
8.30am COHUNA 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A		8.30am COHUNA 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
Commentator/POF: Marg Main Reader: Ileana Dayag Gifts: Marita Hancock Eucharistic Minister: Kylie Doyle Altar Clean Up: Mary Wight		Commentator/POF: Anne-Marie Link Reader: Shaanie Webb Gifts: Marg Main Eucharistic Minister: Anne Distefano Altar Clean Up: Marg Main
10.30am KERANG 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A		10.30am KERANG 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
Welcomers: J Tuohey & J Roberts Commentator/POF: A Kelly Readers: K Schlitz Gifts: A & E Bortolotto Eucharistic Minister: Frank & Ron Kelly Sick & Housebound: J Hirst & H Olcorn (NH) Power Point: M Lewis Musicians: Alicia, Tony Val, Marie & Marita Setting up the Altar: Mardi Mowers September: Frank Kelly Counters September: T & D Greenwood		Welcomers: L Wilson & C Scriven Commentator/POF: K Laughlin Readers: M Kelly Gifts: A Makeham & D Schmidt Eucharistic Minister: A Kelly & J Hirst Sick & Housebound: E Bortolotto & G Prendergast NH) Power Point: L Bland Musicians: Tony, Mick, Men's Group Setting up the Altar: Tops Mowers October: Denber Reyes Counters October: A & T Bortolotto

Next Weeks Mass Times 28th September - 4th October 2026

Wednesday 30th September: No Mass Pyramid Hill

Thursday 1st October: No Mass Cohuna

Friday 2nd October: 9.15am Mass in Kerang

Saturday 3rd October: 6.30pm Mass Pyramid Hill

Sunday 4th October: 8.30am Mass Cohuna

10.30am Mass Kerang Communal Reconciliation

1st Reading

Ezekiel 18:25-28

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-9

(R.) Remember your mercies, O Lord.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. **(R.)**

2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord. **(R.)**

3. The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor. **(R.)**

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Readings for Next Week

**Next Week: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, A
3rd & 4th October 2026**

1st Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 79:9, 12-16, 19-20
2nd Reading: Philippians 4:6-9
Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

2nd Reading

Philippians 2:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 21:28-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.