Living Waters Catholic Parish

Embracing the Communities of:

Little Flower Bribie Island, St Peter's Caboolture, St Michael's Kilcoy, St Mary's Woodford.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th / 27th September 2026

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Ministry Matters.

I have come back from Kingaroy- Nanango parish, where I had tasted of the life that lays ahead for Fr Akesh as he embarks upon his new ministry as parish administrator of that parish for the next few months. I was surprised to find that there seemed to be very little difference between their place and ours. The Church communities that gathered to celebrate the weekend masses that I had attended were not much different from our on local Communities. There are Communities that are filled with elders who share so much with each other. A bit like Little Flower I thought, even the cup a tea thy gave to me after mass was greatly appreciated.

There was another Church community that was filled with all sorts. I saw a few Aussies arrive and settled into the back row of the Church. (Thank God that does not happen here in our Churches.)

Taking their places in the Church were members of India, and the Philippines. There were Islanders who came along, and maybe even a few Irish. I felt quite at home surrounded by such communities. I was met by the organist at Nanango, and her first words to me were, 'hello John, do you remember me? O my goodness, I am terrified when these things happen, because we are supposed to remember everyone we have met, and I cannot remember what I had for breakfast that day.

Nevertheless, she went on. I am Margaret, she told me. I was the organist at Woodridge. (That was 36 years ago, but then I remembered, and was amazed at the people from the past who keep cropping up in life. It was good to catch up with her after all these years.

Then I met a man who looked familiar to me. His name was Peter and he was the older brother of a mate of mine with whom I had gone to school, and his younger sister who was part of our youth group from 50 years ago. So, as with members of his family he needed a photo of us together to send to his family. Of course.

So, I had quite a journey from the past into the present and then into Akesh's future. I had a great time tasting of life beyond all that I have known over these many years as I entered into a new world of Church and community at Kingaroy and Nanango parish. So, Akesh enters into a strong and vibrant community where he will no doubt shine, and I do indeed wish him well.

God Bless, Fr John.

Fr John's turning **70** and next Saturday is a special one! Join us at the 6:00pm Mass at St Peter's as we celebrate his 70th Birthday, followed by a sausage sizzle and cake in the Hall.

Let's come together as a parish family to wish Fr John a very happy birthday and thank him for his ministry among us. All welcome, actually the more, the merrier!

Please note there is NO 5pm Mass on the 4th October

Little Flower Feast Day ~ Thursday 1st October

All our Little Flower Parishioners (& those who have a special place in their hearts for St Therese) are warmly invited to celebrate the Feast Day of St Thérèse of Lisieux *(The Little Flower).* at the 9.15am Mass this Thursday

Following the Mass, there will be a special 'cutting of the cake' a cuppa and warm hospitality. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Priests Commitments

Sunday 27th September – 26th Sunday in Ord Time

8:00am Mass Little Flower	*(Fr Tom)*
8:00am Mass St Mary's	*(Fr John)*
10:00am Mass St Peter's	*(Fr Wrex)*
10:00am Mass St Michael's	*(Fr John)*
5pm Mass St Peter's	*(Fr John)*

Wednesday 30th September

9.30am Mass St Peter's	*(Fr Wrex)*

Thursday 1st October –FEAST OF LITTLE FLOWER

9.15am Mass Little Flower	*(Fr Wrex)*

Friday 2nd October

7.45am Mass St Peter's NOTE CHANGE	*(Fr John)*

Saturday Vigil – 3rd Oct 27th Sunday in Ord Time

6.00pm Mass Little Flower	*(Fr Wrex)*
6.00pm Mass St Peter's	*(Fr John)*

Reconciliation Times

St Peter's ~ 4.45pm – 5.30pm
Little Flower Church ~ 5pm – 5.30pm

This Weekend's Readings
~ 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Psalm: ***The Lord is near to all who call him.***

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:20-24,27

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of Your son. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

St Peter's Multi-Cultural Mass
Thank you for your support & participation
God bless you all. Fr Akesh

St Peter's Church Cleaning W/E 25th / 26th September
Team 2 (Samoan Community)

Thank you for your generous commitment

112th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2026

Each year the World Day of Migrants and Refugees invites us to turn our attention to different aspects of the complex phenomenon of migration. For this 112th World Day, the theme, "Even just one of these children," draws our attention to the minors directly involved in the experience of migration and flight, to the care owed to them, and to the Lord's promise that "whoever receives one such child in my name receives me" *(Mk 9:37)*. Minors are the most vulnerable group within the global movements of migration. They are concrete faces, who have unique stories, and call on our conscience. Every year, millions of children and adolescents are forced to leave their homeland because of war, poverty, violence, environmental disasters and other tragedies. Sadly, their number continues to grow.

(Source: Pope Leo XIV, Message for the 112th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2026.)

Pope Leo XIV encourages us to look beyond the headlines and see the human stories behind migration. As a parish blessed by many cultures and backgrounds, may we continue to reflect Christ's welcome, especially to those who are most vulnerable.

As we approach the Feast of St Francis of Assisi next weekend & mark the 800th anniversary of his death, we are invited to reflect on one of his most treasured gifts to the Church - the Canticle of the Creatures.

Written near the end of his life, the Canticle is a beautiful hymn of praise to God that recognises the goodness and beauty of all creation. In it, St Francis speaks of "Brother Sun", "Sister Moon", "Brother Wind", "Sister Water", "Brother Fire" and "Sister Mother Earth", reminding us that all creation is interconnected and reflects the love and glory of God.

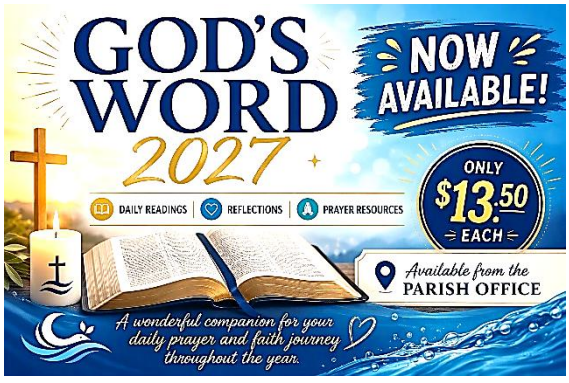
At a time when our world faces environmental challenges and many communities struggle with the effects of climate change, the message of St Francis remains profoundly relevant. He teaches us to see creation not as something to be used & discarded, but as a gift entrusted to our care. His vision calls us to live in gratitude, simplicity & harmony with God's creation.

Particularly fitting for this year's **Season of Creation** theme, **Living Waters**, the Canticle praises God through "Sister Water", whom Francis describes as precious, humble and life-giving. His words encourage us to cherish & protect this essential gift for future generations.

As we celebrate the witness of St Francis of Assisi, may we join him in offering praise and thanksgiving to God for the wonders of creation and renew our commitment to caring for our common home. May his example inspire us to be instruments of peace, reconciliation and hope in our world today.

"Praised be You, my Lord, through all Your creatures." (St Francis of Assisi)

Members of the Little Flower Hospitality Group are reminded of their meeting this Monday the 28th September at 10am in the church



Ministry Sunday - Thank You for Your Generosity!

This weekend we celebrate Ministry Sunday, a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the many ways God calls each of us to serve our parish community. We sincerely thank all parishioners who have prayerfully considered (over the past 2 weeks) the invitation to ministry and who have now generously offered their time, gifts and talents in service to others.

If you have completed a Ministry Registration Form, please place it in one of the marked boxes at the rear of the church. The information gathered from these forms will assist us in preparing our rosters for all ministries across the Parish next year.

Thank you for your willingness to share your gifts and build up our parish community through your faithful service. Your generosity is deeply appreciated and is a blessing to us all.

Across the Parish during September/October

26th / 27th Sept 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

27th Sept 112th World Day of Refugees and Migrants
28th Sept Rosary *9.30am St Peter's Church*
28th Sept Little Flower Hospitality Meeting *10am Church*
30th Sept Christian Meditation *8.45am Little Flower Church*
1st October FEAST of ST THERESE LITTLE FLOWER
1st Oct Mother's Prayer Group *9.30am Parish Meeting Room*
1st Oct Holy Spirit Indian Community Mass *St Peter's Church*
2nd Oct St Peter's Craft Group *9.30am Mary McKillop Hall*

3rd /4th October 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

3rd Oct Fr John is turning 70!
5th Oct KSC Executive Meeting *4pm Parish Meeting Room*

6th October 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL – STAFF & STUDENTS

6th Oct Rosary *9.30am St Peter's Church*
8th Oct Christian Meditation *8.45am Little Flower Church*
8th Oct Parish WH&S team meeting *12.30pm Parish Office*
9th Oct Mother's Prayer Group *9.30am Parish Meeting Room*
10th Oct St Peter's Craft Group *9.30am Mary McKillop Hall*

Parish Giving for 19/20 Sept $5472.75

Thank you for your generous financial support of our Parish.

Pope Leo's September prayer intention - 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. Amen.

Rosary at St Mary's will be on hold while there is no Monday Mass being celebrated. Both these will resume in November.

LIVING WATER'S PARISH WH&S POLICY STATEMENT

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Archdiocesan Northern Rivers Deanery Work Health & Safety Representative: Mr Michael Alcorn.

~ Please Remember in Your Prayers ~

Our Recently Deceased ~ Michael MacGinley, Robert Lord, Judy Byrnes, Rebecca Devitt, Linda Watt, Lillian Poole, Patricia Twinchek, Pam Grealy, Margaret Turnbull, Boyce Morgan, Barbara Masterton, Gary Peterson,

Those whose Anniversaries Occur at this Time ~Filippo Falcioni, Bernard Casey, Angelina Patane, Joan Stanton, Warren Tolhurst, Fr Jim Conneely, Robert Swarbrick, Dorothy McCafferty, Rosario Gomez, Deborah Eaton, Noel Lawlor, J'Ten Pavlis, Keith Street, Kathleen Clark, Eric Butler, Tom O'Grady, Ean Reeves, Pauline Freeman, Margaret Hooper.

Our Sick ~ Redmond Gurney, Isla Glover, Barbara Bateman, Eden McGovern, Helen Owen, Ailsa O'Shea, Rhonda Keane, Frank Del Rossso, Joel Campbell, Rita Jacobs, Theresa Vaugn, Horrie Hunt, Andrew Ayres, Margaret Griffin, Johannes Nelis, Trent Menzies, Sergio Spigariol, Terry Wearing, Mary Burt, Kathryn Sotiriadis-Mobley, Peter Brown, David Stott, Mary Loveday, Kira Wojtowicv, Elspth & Alan Jones, Christine O'Brien, Jayden Lowe, Ron Jones, Xander Ferguson, Marlene Albert, Jeanette Herd, Don Joiner, Sheila Musarra, Helen Johnson, Tricia Fischer, Joshua & Myra Sessions, Joan Fitzpatrick, Brian Wyvill, John Hempseed, Gregory Kelly, June Bell, Ken McKewin, Jessica Timson, Michael Cooper, Ray Davis, Helen van Dinter, Gerard Brown.

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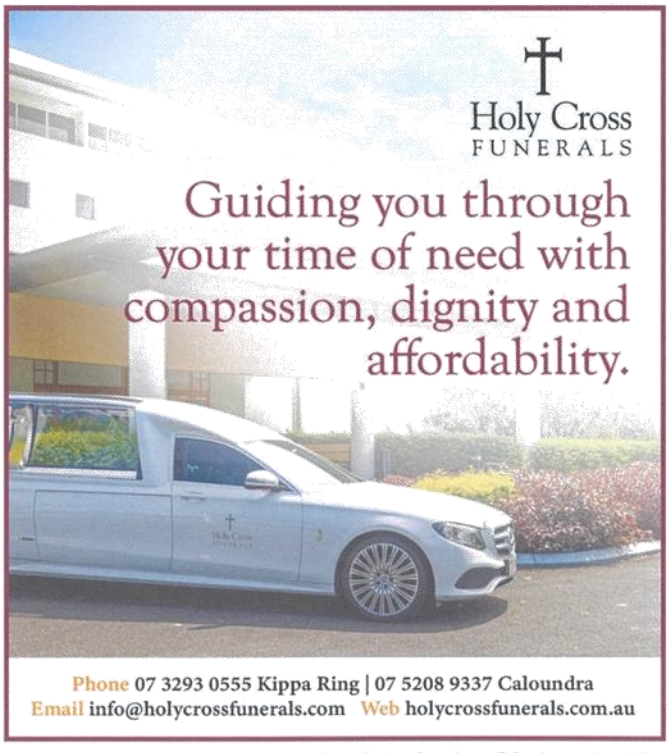

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