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PARISH OFFICE

To make an appointment please call 4868 1931.
If you need to speak to Father urgently, please call the office and select option 4.
Office Hours: MON, WED, THURS, FRI 10:00am-1:30pm.
The office will be closed on Tuesday.

Reflection for 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The parable of the wedding feast is one of those joyful events that we can celebrate in our lives. It is a beautiful celebration which reminds us of our calling to be united as husband and wife. This everlasting covenant is a response to that longingness to love and be loved.

And so, when we're invited, we are excited to engage every effort to make the occasion perfect. Jesus compares the invitation of the heavenly kingdom like an invitation to a wedding feast. Everyone knows what it is expected. We dress appropriately for the occasion, we beautify ourselves, we plan ahead to be available, we maintain contact with others so that we can allow the preparations to flow nicely. The parable teaches us the importance of vigilance and readiness when we receive such invitations.

Sometimes in life, we find ourselves oblivious to the invitations that the Lord extends. He invites us to mass, to confession, to baptisms, marriages, funerals even. But unfortunately, we busy ourselves with other priorities, and at times we can be indifferent. The Lord presents himself as a King in this wedding feast who expects to see everyone there. In other words, the Lord would like to see everyone at the heavenly kingdom who has lived their entire lives preparing themselves for the greatest event of all time. Let us respond to his call to holiness so that we may be ready to celebrate his feast.

Fr Jeremy Santoso OSPPE

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Mon, Wed, Fri **8am** & Thurs **9.30am.**

St. Paul's Int. College (Sat) **8am**

Confessions: 1st Friday of each month following morning 8am Mass. Every Saturday: 5.00pm to 5.30pm.

St Paul's Moss Vale	**St Brigid's Bundanoon**	**St Peter's Burrawang**	**Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy Penrose Park**
Saturday Vigil - 6.00pm	Sunday: 2nd & 4th - 8am	Sunday: 1st, 3rd & 5th – 8am	Sunday - 8 am, 9.30am, 11am, Weekday 11am
Sunday - 10am	Sunday: 1st, 3rd & 5th - 5pm	Sunday: 2nd & 4th — 5pm	

St Francis Xavier, Berrima
1st Sunday of the Month –12noon

St Patrick's, Sutton Forest

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 11 October 2026

Entrance Antiphon Psalm 129:3-4
If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

First Reading Isaiah 25:6-10
A reading from the prophet Isaiah
The Lord will prepare a feast and will wipe away the tears from every cheek. On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoic that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain. **The word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22. R. v.6
(R.) I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.
1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **(R.)**
2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **(R.)**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians
I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen. **The word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation See Ephesians 1:17-18
Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia

Gospel Matthew 22:1-14
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out onto the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'
The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon Cf Psalm 33:11
The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

Feasts and Memorials
Saturday 17: St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr. Memorial

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PARISH NEWS .....

Enrolments for Confirmation close this Sunday—11 October.

Forms are available at the parish office, from Father after mass and the parish website https://www.stpaulsmossvale.org.au/confirmation/

You may return the form during parish office hours from 10am-1.30pm on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday or you may leave it in the office letter box by the door or hand it to Father after any weekend masses by Sunday 11th October 2026.

Classes will be held at 8.30am on the following Sundays: Sunday 18 Oct, 25 Oct, 1 Nov, 8 Nov and 15 Nov. Attendance at Mass is compulsory.

Confirmation will be held on **Tuesday 24 November** at 6.00pm.

NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

All Masses will be offered for the intentions of the deceased, loved ones and members of our families.
If you would like Mass to be offered for a particular intention, please write name (s) clearly on an envelope and drop into parish office or place on the collection plate **no later than Sunday 25 October**. Envelopes are available in all church foyers.

A Vocation View

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (11 Oct)
"The Lord of hosts will provide a feast of rich food." Let us look only to the Lord for our salvation and peace, for the things of this world pass away. (Isaiah 25:6)

If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au

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The **main celebrant** for October will be the **Most Reverend Columba MacBeth Green OSPPE DD, Bishop of Wilcannia-Forbes.**

Program
- 10 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
- 10:30 am Rosary
- 11 am Solemn Mass
- 12 noon Lunch
- 1:30 pm Eucharistic Procession to the Grotto while reciting the Rosary.
- 2 pm Prayers and Devotions at the Grotto, and blessing of pilgrims.

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OCTOBER CALENDAR DATES:
Tuesday 13 October: Fatima Day at Penrose Park starting at 10am.
Wednesday 14 October: Harbison nursing home Mass at 1.30pm
Wednesday 14 October: PPC meeting