



St Kieran - Osborne Park Parish

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th July 2026

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING:

1 Kings 3:5, 7–12

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 118: 57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Response: Lord, I love your commands.

My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word. The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold. R.

Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant. Let your love come to me and I shall live for your law is my delight. R.

That is why I love your commands more than finest gold. That is why I rule my life by your precepts: I hate false ways. R.

Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore, I obey it. The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. R.

SECOND READING:

Romans 8:28–30

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Matthew 11:25

Alléluia, alléluia ! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alléluia !

GOSPEL:

Matthew 13:44–52

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field. 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.' 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.' 'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PARISH SCHEDULE	
SATURDAY	
8:00am	Mass
6:30pm	Mass
7:30pm	Mass (longer liturgy)
SUNDAY	
8.00am	Mass
9:00am	Mass
10:15am	Mass (Italian)
11.15am	Mass (Brazilian-every 2 nd Sunday)
TUESDAY	
8:00am	Mass
WEDNESDAY	
8:00am	Mass
THURSDAY	
7:30am	Adoration
8:00am	Mass
FRIDAY	
8:00am	Mass
BAPTISM	
1ST & 3RD Sunday	11:15am/During any mass Or by appointment
CONFESSION	
Saturday 8:20am & 6:00pm/ by appointment	
WEDDINGS & FUNERALS	
By appointment	
PARISH CONTACTS	
Parish Priest	Fr. Wilson Donizzetti
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Mass intentions		
Sat	6:30pm	Assunta Randazzo - (1 Yr. Anniv.)
	7:30pm	
Sun	8:00am	
	9.00am	The Souls in Purgatory Mary Crawley
	10:15am	
	11:15am	
Readers		
Sat	6:30pm	Mac Callisto & Joe Turner
	7:30pm	
Sun	8.00am	John Murray & Gabriel
	9:00am	Ria & Risa Valder
	10:15am	Italian Mass
	11:15am	Brazilian Mass (2nd Sunday of the month)
Servers/Acolyte		
Sat	6:30pm	Lucia, Alice, Riccardo, Izzy, Alexandra & Emma <i>Brad</i>
	7:30pm	<i>Seminarians</i>
	8.00am	Gabriel, Jacob & Jonathon <i>Eugene & Alex</i>
Sun	9:00am	Grace, Abigail, Ahinsa & Phoebe <i>Brendon & Pedro</i>
	10:15am	<i>Giovanni</i>
Children's Liturgy		
Sun	9.00am	Joe & Clare
Hospital		
By appointment		

YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO OUR PARISH

Our Plan-giving is an essential part of the parish financial needs. Talk to either Phil, Eugene or Judith Tresham to know more about it and be part of our plan-giving. You can either contribute weekly or monthly through our parish online accounts. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Thank you!

1Kings 3:5, 7 -12 The listening heart

There is perhaps no prayer more revealing than the one offered by the young King Solomon. We moderns would have found it rather impractical. Faced with the opportunity to ask anything of God, we would likely have requested security, success, influence, or perhaps simply a little more time. Solomon asked for none of these. He asked instead for what Scripture calls a *listening heart*. The request seems almost disappointingly modest until one discovers that it is, in fact, the one request from which every other blessing depends. Our civilisation has become remarkably skilled at speaking, but strangely incapable of listening. We have multiplied opinions until they drown one another out. Every man is encouraged to become the architect of his own truth, the author of his own morality, and the judge of his own conscience. The old declaration that "God is dead" has matured into something even more subtle: not merely that God does not exist, but that His voice needs no longer be heard. Yet this is the peculiar contradiction of modern freedom. A man who listens only to himself soon discovers that the self is a very noisy companion. Left to its own devices, the heart does not become clearer; it becomes divided. The absence of God does not produce liberty but confusion. There is this temptation to make oneself the measure of all things. Rather than asking for power over others, Solomon asked first to see reality from God's perspective. This is wisdom in its truest sense. A listening heart is not a passive heart but one disciplined enough to recognise that truth precedes opinion, and that goodness is discovered before it is invented. Let us remember, we do not create the Moral Law any more than we create gravity. We may ignore it, deny it, or rebel against it, but we cannot escape it. The modern project insists that freedom means writing our own moral script. Christianity proposes something infinitely more liberating: freedom is learning the role for which we were written by the Divine Author. There is a quiet warning hidden within Solomon's own story. The man who once possessed a listening heart gradually allowed competing loyalties to crowd the voice of God. Wealth, political alliances, and cultural accommodation slowly fragmented what had once been wholly given to the Lord. The tragedy was not that Solomon ceased believing in God, but that God was no longer the undisputed centre around which everything else revolved. The same danger confronts us. Rarely do we reject Christ outright; more often we reduce Him to one voice among many. Career, comfort, politics, entertainment, public opinion, and personal ambition all compete for the throne of the heart. A divided heart eventually becomes a deaf heart. The answer to the modern crisis is therefore not louder arguments but deeper listening. God has never ceased speaking. He speaks in Scripture, in the quiet movements of conscience, in the wisdom of the Church, and most perfectly in Christ Himself, who is not merely a teacher of truth, but Truth incarnates. To possess a listening heart is to recover reality itself. It is to discover that the universe is not governed by our desires but by God's love; that wisdom is not self-expression but faithful attention; and that the soul finds rest not when it becomes its own master, but when it learns once again to hear the voice of the Shepherd and follow Him.

COMMUNION AT HOME

If you are unable to attend mass due to ill health and would like to receive communion at home, please contact Eugene Tresham on **0420 936 988** to arrange.

MUSICIANS

If you are interested in playing during mass, please contact Lee Ignacio on **0450 392 256** to discuss.

Parish Morning Tea: Sunday 02/08/2026

Please join us for morning tea as we farewell our long-term musician, Lee Ignacio, and his family before they leave our parish and Perth. We are grateful for Lee's contribution to our parish community and wish the **Ignatio family** every blessing in their new adventure.

PLEDGE CARDS FOR THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR

Pledge cards for the new financial year are now available for parishioners who would like to participate in the parish's planned giving program. Please complete a pledge card and place it in the deposit box provided. Your continued support of the parish is greatly appreciated.

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL- CONTINUES

Catholic Mission Appeal invites you to partner with missionaries in Malawi to support families rebuilding after devastating floods, and to help children access education close to home. Through projects like St Peter's Nyamikuta Primary School, the Church is creating a place where children can learn, be nourished, and grow with dignity, regardless of their background or beliefs. Your gift will also assist other similar Catholic Mission programmes throughout the developing world. Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or by visiting catholicmission.org.au/united.

LITURGIA DELLA PAROLA

Prima Lettura

1Re 3,5.7-12

In quei giorni a Gàbaon il Signore apparve a Salomone in sogno durante la notte. Dio disse: «Chiedimi ciò che vuoi che io ti conceda». Salomone disse: «Signore, mio Dio, tu hai fatto regnare il tuo servo al posto di Davide, mio padre. Ebbene io sono solo un ragazzo; non so come regolarmi. Il tuo servo è in mezzo al tuo popolo che hai scelto, popolo numeroso che per la quantità non si può calcolare né contare. Concedi al tuo servo un cuore docile, perché sappia rendere giustizia al tuo popolo e sappia distinguere il bene dal male; infatti chi può governare questo tuo popolo così numeroso?». Piacque agli occhi del Signore che Salomone avesse domandato questa cosa. Dio gli disse: «Poiché hai domandato questa cosa e non hai domandato per te molti giorni, né hai domandato per te ricchezza, né hai domandato la vita dei tuoi nemici, ma hai domandato per te il discernimento nel giudicare, ecco, faccio secondo le tue parole. Ti concedo un cuore saggio e intelligente: uno come te non ci fu prima di te né sorgerà dopo di te».

Parola del Signore

A: Lode a Te, O Cristo.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Sam 118

Quanto amo la Tua legge, Signore!

La mia parte è il Signore: ho deciso di osservare le Tue parole. Bene per me è la legge della Tua bocca, più di mille pezzi d'oro e d'argento. **R.**

Il Tuo amore sia la mia consolazione, secondo la promessa fatta al Tuo servo. Venga a me la Tua misericordia e io avrò vita, perché la Tua legge è la mia delizia. **R.**

Perciò amo i Tuoi comandi, più dell'oro, dell'oro più fino. Per questo io considero retti tutti i Tuoi precetti e odio ogni falso sentiero. **R.**

Meravigliosi sono i Tuoi insegnamenti: per questo li custodisco. La rivelazione delle Tue parole illumina, dona intelligenza ai semplici. **R.**

SECONDA LETTURA

Rm 8,28-30

Fratelli, noi sappiamo che tutto concorre al bene, per quelli che amano Dio, per coloro che sono stati chiamati secondo il suo disegno. Poiché quelli che egli da sempre ha conosciuto, li ha anche predestinati a essere conformi all'immagine del Figlio suo, perché egli sia il primogenito tra molti fratelli; quelli poi che ha predestinato, li ha anche chiamati; quelli che ha chiamato, li ha anche giustificati; quelli che ha giustificato, li ha anche glorificati.

Parola di Dio

A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Ti rendo lode, Padre, Signore del cielo e della terra, perché ai piccoli hai rivelato i misteri del Regno.

Alleluia!

VANGELO

Mt 13,44-52

In quel tempo Gesù disse ai suoi discepoli: «Il regno dei cieli è simile a un tesoro nascosto nel campo; un uomo lo trova e lo nasconde; poi va, pieno di gioia, vende tutti i suoi averi e compra quel campo. Il regno dei cieli è simile anche a un mercante che va in cerca di perle preziose; trovata una perla di grande valore, va, vende tutti i suoi averi e la compra. Ancora, il regno dei cieli è simile a una rete gettata nel mare, che raccoglie ogni genere di pesci. Quando è piena, i pescatori la tirano a riva, si mettono a sedere, raccolgono i pesci buoni nei canestri e buttano via i cattivi. Così sarà alla fine del mondo. Verranno gli angeli e separeranno i cattivi dai buoni e li getteranno nella fornace ardente, dove sarà pianto e stridore di denti. Avete compreso tutte queste cose?». Gli risposero: «Sì». Ed egli disse loro: «Per questo ogni scriba, divenuto discepolo del regno dei cieli, è simile a un padrone di casa che estrae dal suo tesoro cose nuove e cose antiche».

Parola del Signore

A: Lode a Te, O Cristo.