



St Kieran - Osborne Park Parish

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

16th August 2026 (1st Holy Communion Group - 2 & 3)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest. Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8

Response: O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

SECOND READING:

Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 4:23

Alléluia, Alléluia ! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alléluia !

GOSPEL:

Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said, 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said, 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the hounded dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even hounded dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

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
	Fr. Oscar Aguilera
Parish Co-ordinator	Judith Tresham
Parish Secretary	Margaret Leonard Pat Richards
Safeguarding Officer	Rose Arto
Parish Hall bookings	Judith: 0437908793
PARISH OFFICE HOURS	
Monday & Wednesday	Closed
Tuesday	8.30am - 12.30pm
Thursday	12.30pm – 4:00pm
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Mass intentions		
Sat	6:30pm	
	7:30pm	
Sun	8:00am	Jose Eugenio Ferreira
	9.00am	Osmund Perera - 1 year Jose Eugenio Ferreira Ilma Velásquez (7years) Raffaella Cifelli (2nd Anniv) Zora Beros (1 Yr Anniv.)
	10:15am	
	11:15am	
Readers		
Sat	6:30pm	Margot Harness & Carlo Consani
	7:30pm	
Sun	8.00am	Anne & Greg Diamond
	9:00am	Josefa Hazebroek & Zoran Vukojevic
	10:15am	Italian Mass
	11:15am	Brazilian Mass (2nd Sunday of the month)
Servers/Acolyte		
Sat	6:30pm	Nicholas, Marcus, Athena, Pio, Enzo & Oliver <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	Jo & Natasha
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!

Matt 15: 21 -28

The Crumbs of Mercy

There are times when God seems to answer our prayers by not answering them at all. The Canaanite woman comes to Jesus with a prayer stripped of every decoration: "Lord, help me." Her daughter is suffering, and therefore she is suffering too. She brings no argument, no credentials, no impressive theology—only her need. And Jesus is silent. We find silence harder to bear than almost anything else. A "no" is painful, but at least it is an answer. Silence leaves us wondering whether Heaven has heard us. Yet the woman stays. Perhaps this is one of the deepest lessons of faith. Faith is not always feeling that God is near. Sometimes it is simply refusing to act as though He is absent. Jesus seems to push her away. The disciples want her gone. She is an outsider, and outsiders are so often inconvenient to people who have become comfortable with God. Yet she persists. Then comes the difficult saying about the children's bread and the dogs. The woman does not protest. She does something far more remarkable: she turns the very words that seem to exclude her into a reason for hope. "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs eat the crumbs." It is almost a comical answer, but behind the humour is tremendous faith. She has discovered that she does not need to be important in order to receive mercy. She needs only mercy. And perhaps this is where the Gospel exposes something in us. We are very fond of deciding who belongs at the table and who does not. We draw our boundaries, while God's mercy seems continually determined to cross them. The outsider becomes the example. The woman whom the disciples regard as a nuisance becomes the one Jesus praises. She came asking for healing for her daughter, but in the process her faith is placed before everyone as something beautiful. She does not understand Jesus' silence. She does not understand His words. She has no complete explanation for what is happening. She simply knows where to take her suffering. To Jesus. Perhaps that is enough for us too. When prayer seems unanswered, when suffering remains unexplained, when we feel unworthy even to approach God, we may still come. If all we possess is a crumb of faith, let us bring Him the crumb. For the value of the crumb depends not upon its size, but upon the greatness of the One from whose table it falls. Great faith may not always say, "I understand." Sometimes it says, "I do not understand, Lord, but I still believe there is mercy in You." And so, the Canaanite woman teaches us the strange persistence of grace: **Do not go away.** Keep asking. Keep knocking. Keep bringing your wounds to Christ. For the God who seemed to be silent was never beyond reach. And neither is His mercy

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 Millie Stockbauer on **0487 701 526**

In Memory of Osmund Perera

The Perera family warmly invites everyone to share morning tea after Sunday 9am Mass, as they remember Osmund with love on the first anniversary of his passing. Please join them in prayerful remembrance, gentle support, and fellowship.



First Holy Communion 2026
Congratulations!
Saturday 15th August

Adam Vincent Rondas
Alice Esteves da Silva Antosiano
Caolán Dermot Toner
Charles Rogue Daue
Claudia Lombardo
Elio Dominic Brew
Emily Piecuch
Giana Silvana Federico
Gregorio Lunardelli Dias
Gwendolyn Lux Lloyd Wilford
Harris Velikicevski
Jake Stirling Harvey
Lucas Peter James Fazakarley
Luka Marjanovic
Luna Gayoung Rachael Shim
Matia Aidan Killeen
Rian April Hanna
Samuel Turco
Stefano Michael Roberto Lo Conte
Tamara Browne
Tinotenda Buirakare
Valentina Christine Martella
Zoe Davikah Nanh Pham

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Congratulations!
Sunday 16th August

Theia Reese Canicula
Zachary James Cocker
Gian Marco Gonzalez Coletta
Alice Cafaggi De Simoni
Nicolas Cafaggi De Simoni
Leah Vy Giam
Neloisa Correia Goncalves
Alexander La Cava
Lorenzo Lattanzi
Chelsey May Metcalf
Mika Raso
Gabriel Rubianogroot
Chloe Scarfo
Leonardo Spadaccini
Grace Stangroom
Mia Rose Sweeney
Audrey Marie Thomson
Roman Ennio Tosi