

# CATHOLIC PARISHES OF GERALDTON



## St Francis Xavier Cathedral

**Administrator** Fr Gerard Totanes VG  
**Assistant Priest** Fr Savio Nguyen  
**Nagle Chaplain** Fr Joel Nyongesa

**Mass Times**  
**Saturday Vigil** 6:00pm  
**Sunday** 7:30am, 9:30am and 6:00pm  
**Monday – Friday** 7:00am **Friday** 12:05pm  
**Saturdays & Public Holidays** 9:00am

**Confessions**  
**Friday** 11:30am -11:55am  
**Saturday** 11:00am -12:00pm & 5:30-5:55pm

## St Lawrence's Bluff Point

**Mass Times** **Wednesday** 10:30am  
**Saturday Vigil** 6:00pm **Sunday** 9:00am  
**Confessions** **Saturday** 5:30-5:55pm or by appointment

## Nazareth House

**Monday-Saturday** 9:30am **Sunday** 10:00am

**St John's Rangeway** **Sunday Mass** Currently Suspended

**St Peter's Greenough** **Sunday Mass** 8:00am

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Year C**

**26 January 2025**

**VOCATION VIEW:** *The word of God becomes the flesh of God when YOU live it in your life. Believe what you read; live what you believe. Be another Christ.*



## Australia Day

This is the date of arrival of the first European settlers in 1788 in Australia. The liturgy marks Australia's national day with prayers seeking God's blessing on all its peoples and commending its destiny into God's hands.

## Bishop Michael's mother passes away

Mrs Margaret Morrissey, the mother of Bishop Michael has passed away peacefully last Thursday at the age of 95 ending her fight with cancer. May her soul Rest In Peace! We offer our heartfelt condolences and sincere prayers to Bishop Michael and his siblings at this time of their great loss.



## Bon Voyage Fr Gerard

Fr Gerard is leaving tomorrow on his holidays in the Philippines for a month. He will join the family to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of the marriage of his parents, which falls on the 6<sup>th</sup> of February.



## Knights of the Southern Cross

Midwest Branch Meeting will be held on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 9am with Mass in the Cathedral followed by Prayers and Talk by Fr Cross in the Crypt with Brunch at a Venue TBA afterwards. All men over 18 encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to Daniel, [danielhatleyperpetualadoration@gmail.com](mailto:danielhatleyperpetualadoration@gmail.com)



## Baptism Preparation Meeting

The next Baptism preparation meeting will be held on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> February at 5:30pm in the Parish Seminar Room. This meeting is mandatory for the parents of the eldest child to be baptised. For booking, please contact the Parish Office on 9964 1608 or Email: [gtonparish@geraldtoncatholic.org.au](mailto:gtonparish@geraldtoncatholic.org.au)



## First Friday Adoration

On Friday, 7 February at 11am followed by Mass at 12.05pm Come as one Community to be with Our Source of HOPE.

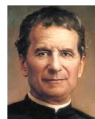


If you require a priest in an emergency please phone 9964 1608 (24/7)



## Feasts of the Week

28 Jan Tue Saint Thomas Aquinas  
 31 Jan Fri Saint John Bosco



## Anniversary of Priestly Ordination

Bishop Michael's 44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Priestly Ordination is this Friday, on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January. Please keep him in your prayers and thoughts as he leads our Diocese.

## Mass in Utakarra Chapel next Saturday

The first Holy Mass in the San Spirito Chapel at Utakarra this year will be celebrated next Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> February at 9am. Welcome all to remember the deceased loved ones and pray for them.

## Is your child in a Non-Catholic School and in Year 3?

### Enroll now for the Sacrament of Reconciliation this year

Any child in year 3 (or higher) this year and not attending a catholic school, who wishes to make their First Confession in the first term, please enroll now for the After School Program. No admissions will be accepted once the lessons have started on 12<sup>th</sup> February.

You can also enroll for other Sacraments now.

For enquiries or enrolment please visit our website using the QR Code or the link <https://geraldtoncathedral.org/after-school-sacrament-program/>



## Divine Mercy Holy Hour

today, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January, 3 - 4pm  
 at St Lawrence's Church.

Welcome all to adore the Lord for an hour!



## Please pray for those who are ill:

Fr Peter Downes, Brad Borrowes, Ray Sloan, Isabelita Calimag, Rose Ralph, Noli Soliven, Reg Maisey, Megan Aylmore, Maria Salamone, Bernard Rooney, Tim Conway, Margaret John, Maureen Burke, Joe (Giuseppe) Gaudio, Andres Rodillas, Derek Levett, Peter Scarpuzza, Diana Bennett, Erica Pirrottina, Kim-Maree Kelly, Shirley Travis, Allan Malonzo, Zenaida Tan, Cherrille Quilty, Andrew Benzie, Pat Miragliotta, Nadeem Turkia, Monique Blanchard and Yvonne Fahl.



**For the deceased:** Frank & Lina Zinetti, Jim & Nancy Ward, Giovanni & Severina Giudicatti, Emilia & Novello Amazzini, Alessandro & Ida Caratti, Rosetta & Anselmo Scarpuzza, Don McDonald and John Sancho.

**Anniversaries:** Theresa Prunster, Francisco Capurso, Bernard Nyongesa, Betty Love, Joe Mandaglio, Eric Marsden, Jim Bianchini & James Fennel.

**Recently Deceased:** Margaret Morrissey, Maria Priolo, Daniel Flynn and Sr Leonie Mayne rsj.

**Parish Office & Holy Shop** **Opening Hours** 9:00am - 1:00pm & 1:30 - 4pm Monday-Friday

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### Entrance Antiphon

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

### First Reading (Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10)

#### A reading from the book of Nehemiah.

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people - since he stood higher than all the people - Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, 'Amen! Amen!'; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read. Then Nehemiah - His Excellency - and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.' For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law. He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.'

*The word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 18)

#### R. Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. **R.**

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. **R.**

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. **R.**

May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock! **R.**

### Second Reading (1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27)

#### A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink. Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia! . . . .**

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.....**Alleluia!**

### Gospel (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21)

#### A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received. Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written: The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. he has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the down trodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour. He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

*He sent me to bring  
The good news to the  
poor and to proclaim  
The Lord's  
year of favour.*

### Communion Antiphon

Look toward the Lord and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.

### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son; Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (**bow for the following line** \*)

\*born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Malachi 3:1-4 | Psalm 23 | Hebrews 2:14-18 | Luke 2:22-40