

November 2025 *Canon Anne writes...*

November is packed with liturgical significance.



1-2 Nov – All Saints and
All Souls days



13 Nov – Advent Annual
Service for Mothers; Union



The Friends of the Cathedral
Service and AGM, Refreshments and
Concert



23rd November

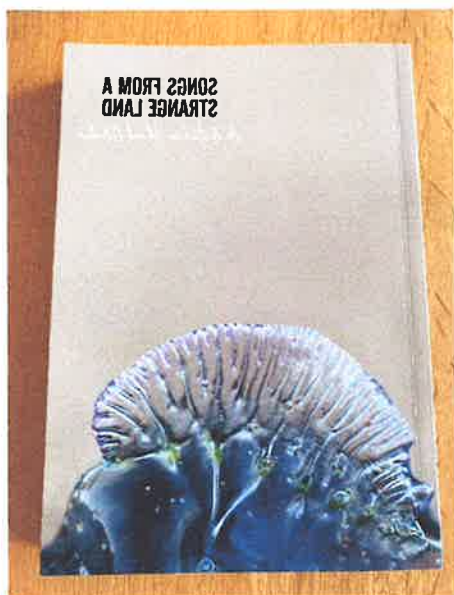
Christ the King

Patronal Festival 2025

Advent 1 30th November
with West Goulburn and
Luncheon to follow

29th November 11am Ordination of Priests.

ADVENT STUDIES 2025



Thursdays

20th November at 11am

27th November at 11am

4th December at 11am

11 December at 11am

18th December at 11am

Mary Thomas Room

Faith and culture unite in Goulburn's Marian Procession

[Jeanine Doyle](#) 27 October 2025 1



Faith, colour and culture filled the streets of Goulburn on Sunday as hundreds gathered for the Annual Ecumenical, Multicultural Marian Procession Mass and Youth Rally — a highlight of the Archdiocesan calendar.

The day began with a standing-room-only Mass at Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral, where Archbishop Christopher Prowse described the celebration as a major moment in the Jubilee Year for the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn.



(L-R) Fr Michael Lim, parish priest of Sts Peter and Paul Goulburn, Fr John Paul Bassil OMM of the Maronite community, Archbishop Prowse and Dean Gavin Krebs of the Goulburn Anglican cathedral.

"This Mass carries a [plenary indulgence](#)," he told the congregation. "It's a beautiful sign of God's mercy — an invitation to be truly repentant of sin, to listen deeply to the Word of God, and to pray for the Holy Father's intentions."

A light sprinkle of rain fell, but spirits remained undampened. The Archbishop urged those gathered to "attend to the weather of our souls" — a call to spiritual reflection that drew smiles from the congregation.

The Ecumenical Rosary Procession then set out from Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral to St Saviour's Anglican Cathedral, pausing at St Mary's Chapel (Maronite) along the way. The Rosary was prayed in Tagalog, Syriac, Lenije and Malayalam, led by diverse cultural communities.

From elderly pilgrims on walking frames to babies in prams, the procession wound through Goulburn's streets in a moving display of faith. Choirs sang hymns in multiple languages, and members of the Indian Catholic community carried bright umbrellas, their colours standing out against the grey sky.



Students from local Catholic schools presented living tableaux depicting each of the Mysteries of the Rosary.

"We are so happy to be praying together," said Fr John Paul. "There are many things that unite us more than divide us, and one of them is the Blessed Virgin Mary. She brings us together and intercedes for us always."

Dean Gavin welcomed the gathering warmly. "Without Mary, we wouldn't have Jesus," he said. "It's a blessing to see our communities worshipping together. We've got far more in common than in difference — and that's something we can thank God for."

Archbishop Prowse noted that the event mirrored global steps toward unity, referencing the recent moment when King Charles and Pope Francis prayed together in the Sistine Chapel — the first such act between leaders of the Church of England and the Catholic Church since the Reformation.

"Moments like that — and moments like this — show that prayer has the power to heal centuries of division," he said.

NOTICES

Sadly, our Maintenance man, Christopher Graham has had to give notice due to ill health. Chris has been with us for over two years, vacuuming, cleaning, setting up the Hall for its many events and doing odd jobs. He is a great loss to us as he cares for our three buildings on the cathedral site.

We wish him well as he undergoes a long recovery and thank him for his ministry to us,

This now means that we need your assistance to keep the building in good order and supplied with all necessary things.

Should you see that something needs attention please notify by email or by phone message to Margaret Driscoll to alert us to attend to the issue.

This is extra work for Margaret until we find a replacement for Christopher and her hours in the office are limited and busy.

Thank you for your understanding at what may be a quite lengthy time. Should you know anyone who could assist us for 6 Hours/week (paid) please notify Margaret or Canon Anne or Dean Gavin.

Thank you

Canon Anne

OUR MISSION

As you are all aware over the years we have supported and continue to support mission agencies in Australia and across the world. Dean Gavin, Canon Anne and Rev'd Anna attended by formal invitation the 175th Anniversary of ABM Australia last Wednesday. It was a gala evening with a wonderful Evensong at 4.30pm at St James' King Street followed by a sit down dinner at Parliament House.



The Rev'd Dr John
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