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15th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A — July 12, 2026

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MASSES SCHEDULE

Weekdays

8:15am—Monday—Friday

Saturday

8:00am—Italian

4:30pm—Spanish (Ant Sunday Mass)

6:00pm—English (Ant Sunday Mass)

Sundays

9:00am—English

10:30am—Italian

6:00pm—English

3:00pm—Albanian—2nd Sun

3:00pm—Filipino—3rd Sun

Baptism—11:45am—Sunday

Confession—8:30-9:00am—Saturday

Adoration—7:00pm—Saturday



“True Christians are not those who say every day with their lips: Lord your kingdom come; rather those who employ all possible means, so that this kingdom may spread and become permanent on earth.”

John B. Scalabrini, Pastoral Letter, 4-11-1877

ROOTED IN CHRIST



Jesus said that some are fell on rocky ground... and it withered for lack of roots. Roots are invisible, unrecognized and forgotten. How often do we say: “How delicious the mangoes of this tree are.” But how many of us say: “This mango tree or this plant or this flower must have a good root”?

Roots themselves are quite ugly. They are dirty, long, thin,

twisted. But paradoxically, they reproduce beauty above the ground. Roots are the strength and life of trees, plants and flowers.

What lessons we can learn from roots? There are three:

The first one is, we are always concerned about our appearances, how others see us or with the visible reality. We try various ways to make ourselves better looking. But like trees, flowers and plants, our real value and dignity come from roots and that is we are all children of God.

The second is self-denial. We do not do what pleases us but we do what pleases God. Like roots, self-denial is ugly and hard. But like roots, it produces external self-control and selflessness that people admire.

Finally, the root that gives us strength is the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. These knowledge and love of Christ are seen in our words and actions.

So my dear friends let us reflect on our personal life base on this gospel. And finally, are questions for us to ponder: To which ground do you belong? Are we like the three types of grounds by which the seed which is the word of God has no chance to ground and influence in us? Do we admire our roots?

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1st Reading — Is 55: 10-11

From the book of the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord: ‘As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.’

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R: The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

You care for the earth, give it water, you fill it with riches. Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain. R.

And thus you provide for the earth; you drench its furrows, you level it, soften it with showers, you bless its growth. R.

You crown the year with your goodness. Abundance flows in your steps, in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. R.

The hills are girded with joy, the meadows covered with flocks, the valleys are decked with wheat. They shout for joy, yes, they sing. R.

2nd Reading — Rom 8: 18-23

From the letter of Paul to the Romans.

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still

retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

The Word of the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel — Mt 13: 1-23

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables. He said, ‘Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears.

The Gospel of the Lord.



ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS



Caritas Australia Emergency Appeal

Venezuela: Reacting to the earthquakes, our partner, Caritas Venezuela, has begun mobilising relief efforts, including the delivery of vital support such as water, food, sanitation and shelter. Funds raised through the appeal will support Caritas Venezuela’s emergency response, delivered in partnership with local communities and the Church.

Ukraine: As violence escalates in other parts of the world, Ukraine is slipping from headlines. But for millions of people the suffering has not stopped, and more than 10.8 million people are in need of humanitarian assistance. If you would like to donate to any emergency, you can do so via the website

<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals>

Sixth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly – Sunday 26 July



As we prepare to celebrate the *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly* on Sunday, 26 July, Archbishop Patrick O’Regan invites us to honour the grandparents and elderly members who enrich our parish communities. This day is a beautiful opportunity to recognise their wisdom, faith, and enduring presence among us.

This year, the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV has chosen the theme “I will never forget you” (Isaiah 49:15). It is a powerful reminder of God’s unwavering love and a call for us to reflect that same steadfast love, especially towards those in the later seasons of life.

We warmly encourage everyone to mark this occasion with initiatives that foster connection, gratitude, and inter-generational encounter. Whether through prayer, outreach, or simple acts of kindness, your efforts help ensure that our grandparents and elderly parishioners feel seen, valued, and remembered.

May this World Day be a moment of grace for our whole community as we honour those who have handed on the gift of faith and continue to bless us with their presence.

BLESSING OF MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES - Sunday 20 Sept 2026

Celebrations for milestone wedding anniversaries in the Archdiocese will again be held in local parish communities to recognise couples in their life-long commitment. The parishes office will start receiving nomination of couples celebrating significant anniversaries (e.g. 10, 20, 30 years). **Nominations will close strictly on 4 September.**

PARISH CALENDAR

Sat 11/07	4:30 PM	Mass in Spanish
	6:00 PM	Maria Broggiato
Sun 12/07	9:00 AM	Nikoll Ducaj, Immaculada Postrano
	10:30 AM	Gina De Luca, Sebastian De Luca, Antonino Torre, Tommaso Di Fabio, Camillo Di Fabio
	3:00 PM	Albanian Mass
	6:00 PM	Mario Rossi, Luigi Mazzarolo
Mon 13/07	8:15 AM	Guido Di Fabio
	7:00 PM	Mass in Spanish
Tue 14/07	8:15 AM	Italian Mass
Wed 15/07	8:15 AM	English Mass
	7:00 PM	Memorial (Bertilla Daminoto)
Thu 16/07	8:15 AM	English Mass
	7:00 PM	Memorial (Antonietta Bollella)
Fri 17/07	8:15 AM	English Mass
	7:00 PM	Romano, Gina & Valerio Jung
Sat 18/07	8:00 AM	Italian Mass

MINISTRY ROSTERS

July 12, 2026	Lectors	EOCM
6:00pm (Sat)	Nives Kresevic Maria Scarsella	Phil Della-Pietra Jenny DeGennaro
9:00am	Lucita Cabangal Christine George	Charles Zammit Teresa Candeloro
10:30am Italian	Nicholas Farinola Anthony Farinola	Tonin Pecaj, Nella Santo, F. Colangelo
6:00pm	Precious Galgo Teresa Bunting	Ludwina Tan Rosemary Velardo
July 19, 2026	Lectors	EOCM
6:00pm (Sat)	Raymond Sequeira Teresa Jimenea	Tomas Jimenea Jenny DeGennaro
9:00am	Beena Theodore Cherry Icamen	Frank Ienari Francesca Boffo
10:30am Italian	Michele Giglio Fenisia Giglio	Maria Bigolin A & N Farinola
6:00pm	Rietta Corkin Marigold Miane	John Scarfo Mimma Adami

COLLECTION (05/07/26)

1st Collection	2nd Collection	Special Collection	Total
\$2,178.00	\$1,794.00		\$3,972.00