



## ***The Parishes Of St Mary's Merredin and St Joseph's Kellerberrin***

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**26TH SUNDAY IN OT**

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**28 SEPTEMBER 2025**

### **Merredin celebrations during the week:**

Monday:	No Mass
Tuesday:	No Mass
Wednesday:	No Mass
Thursday:	No Mass
Friday:	No Mass
Saturday:	6.30pm
Sunday:	10.30am

**Kellerberrin: Sunday 8:00 am Mass**

\*\*Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick available on request\*\*

**Sat. Holy Half Hour-Rosary  
6:00 to 6:30 pm**

**Reconciliation : 6pm Saturday**

**CHURCH ROSTER: 27/28 SEPTEMBER 2025**

**04/05 OCTOBER 2025**

**Saturday 6.30pm Sunday 10.30 am**

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Readers:	H. Giles	G. Dizon
Collection:		
Offertory:	Volunteers	Volunteers
Church Cleaners:		
Sacristy	D. Pettit	
Altar Servers:		

J. Patroni	L. Jefferies
Volunteers	Volunteers
V. Musca	Y. Gray
P. Riethmuller	
Volunteers	Volunteers

**Special Ministers: T. Cutri; Y. Gray; P. Jackson; J. Jefferys; L. Jefferys; D. Pettit; P. Riethmuller.**

### **Call to Worship**

Fr Walter Ciszek studied Russian with the hope of doing missionary work in that country. After ordination, he went to Poland. When the Nazis invaded it, he disguised himself as a Polish labourer and joined prisoners being sent to Russia.

Two years later, the Soviet secret police accused him of being a Vatican spy and sentenced him to 23 years hard labour in Siberia. Upon his release in 1963, he wrote a book entitled *"He Leadeth Me."* One passage in it reads:

"I have seen ...prisoner deprive their bodies of needed sleep in order to get up before the rising bell for a secret Mass...We would be severely punished if we were discovered...."

The Masses were held in 'drafty storage shacks' and sometimes outside 'huddles in mud or slush. In these primitive conditions, the Mass brought us closer to God than anyone might conceivable imagine.'

In those days Catholics did not eat or drink after midnight when receiving the 'Body of Christ' the next morning.

Some prisoners could not attend secret Masses, so Fr Ciszek consecrated extra hosts and distributed them when he could. That meant that some prisoners had to wait until night.

Fr Ciszek writes:

"Yet these men would actually fast all day long and do exhausting physical labour....just to be able to receive the Holy Eucharist."

(Taken from "Path Through Catholicism, Mark Link SJ)



RECONCILIATION: Saturday 6:00pm – 6:20 pm  
or on request prior to Sunday mass  
Saturday - 6:00pm Angelus then the Rosary

## PARISH NOTICES

### Feast days for the week

Mon 29 Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels  
Tue 30 St Jerome  
Wed 1 St Therese of the Child Jesus  
Thu 2 The Holy Guardian Angels  
Fri 3 St Thomas Cantilupe, St Francis Borgia, The Blessed Martyrs of Sussex  
Sat 4 St Francis of Assisi



### Thank You

Thank you Fr Patrick Toohey for celebrating our Sunday Masses



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