



HOLY FAMILY

Doveton

The only thing that counts is faith working through love. (Galatians 5:6)

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4th October 2026



A JOURNEY THROUGH THE MARIAN DOGMAS

We are already in October, a month dedicated to the devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary.

And so, we celebrate Marian Nights on Wednesday evenings in the month of October. We will together try to get into the titles of Mary and the teachings of the Church about them and how they focus on Jesus not on Mary. The Church's teaching about Mary is not separate from the Gospel; it helps us understand more deeply the mystery of Jesus Christ and the hope he offers the Church. The Church gives special prominence to four truths about Mary: that she is **Mother of God, ever-virgin, Immaculately Conceived, and assumed body and soul into heavenly glory**. These are not four unrelated honors. Together, they show how God's grace prepared Mary for her unique role in the life of Christ and how, through Christ, the promise of salvation reaches its fulfillment. The Church's liturgy marks these central truths in its major celebrations of Mary.

✦ We will explore these teachings one by one in the coming weeks. ✦

Parish Priest:

Fr. Joby George VC

Priest-In Residence:

Fr Sebastian

Mappilparambil VC

Parish secretary:

Caroline Allen

Parish Manager:

Gerard Antony

Principal:

Paul Sharp

Child Safety Officer:

Florida Nugara

Catechist:

Christina D'Couto

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday..... 9.15am

..... 11.00am

Healing Mass 7.00pm

Spanish Mass:

Saturday 4.00pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Saturday 9.15am

Wednesday 7.00pm

Reconciliation:

Tuesday 9.45am - 10.15am

Saturday 9.45am - 10.15am

Novena to Our Lady:

Saturday 9.00am

Wednesday 7.00pm

Baptisms: Second Sunday**Divine Kids Bible Class:**

Sunday 10.15am

Parish Prayer Group:

Tuesday 7.00pm-8.00pm

Parish Halls Hire:

Contact Parish Office

Mary, Mother of God

The first dogma points directly to the identity of Jesus. Mary is called **Mother of God** because the child she bore is truly God the Son made man. The title does not mean that Mary existed before God or is the source of Jesus' divinity. Rather, it safeguards the truth that Jesus Christ is one divine Person, born of Mary according to his human nature. Pope Paul VI describes the Annunciation as the moment when Mary, through her free consent, became the Mother of God. **The Council of Ephesus in 431** solemnly affirmed Mary as *Theotokos*—"God-bearer" or "Mother of God"—in its condemnation of the Nestorian claim that she should be called only the mother of Christ. The council's teaching safeguarded the truth that the one born of Mary is truly God the Son incarnate. It rejected the idea that Mary was mother only of the human Jesus, as though the divine Son and the man Jesus were separate persons. Calling Mary *Theotokos* safeguards the confession that **God the Son truly became man and was born of her.**

As Mary always did, this title too points to Jesus not to herself. So let us look at Jesus holding the hand of our dear Mother, whom God gave us as our own

God Bless us all.**Fr. Joby George VC****CHILD SAFETY**

Holy Family Parish is committed to upholding the wellbeing, safety and dignity of each child and young person and ensuring that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church.

READINGS

SUNDAY

Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalms 80:9,12-16,19-20

Philippians 4:6-9

Matthew 21:33-43

MONDAY

Galatians 1:6-12

Psalms 111:1-2,7-10

Luke 10:25-37

TUESDAY

Galatians 1:13-24

Psalms 139:1-3,13-15

Luke 10:38-42

WEDNESDAY

Our Lady of the Rosary

Galatians 2:1-2,7-14

Psalms 117

Luke 11:1-4

THURSDAY

Galatians 3:1-5

Luke 1:69-75

Luke 11:5-13

FRIDAY

Galatians 3:7-14

Psalms 111:1-6

Luke 11:15-26

SATURDAY

Galatians 3:22-29

Psalms 105:2-7

Luke 11:27-28

ST. FAUSTINA KOWALSKA APOSTLE OF DIVINE MERCY

Born Helena Kowalska in Poland in 1905, St. Faustina became a Sister of Our Lady of Mercy. Through her prayer and humble service, she shared a message of trust in God's boundless mercy.

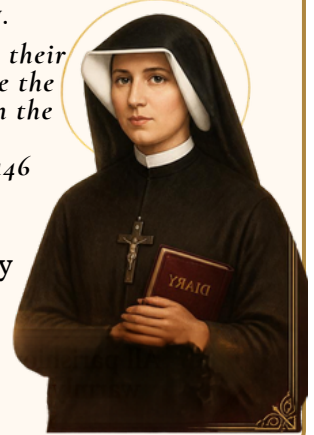
"Let the greatest sinners place their trust in My mercy. They have the right before others to trust in the abyss of My mercy."

— Diary of St. Faustina, 1146

Her message for us:
Trust in Jesus. Receive God's mercy. Show mercy to others.

A prayer to remember:
Jesus, I trust in You!

Feast Day 5 October



PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE WEEK

FOR THOSE WHO DESPERATELY SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

We will be praying for them in every Holy Mass for this week. Please keep them in your personal Rosary and prayers.

CHILDREN BIBLE CLASS



"Let the little children come to me" - Matthew 19:14



JOIN US FOR A NATION-WIDE

Public Rosary



Date:

Saturday 10 October 2026



Where:

Holy Family Church, Doveton



Holy Mass at 9.15 am

Procession – at 10 a.m.

*Blessing with Fatima Statue at end of
Procession, followed by Morning Tea in the
Fellowship Hall.*



**For more information Contact:
Florida – 0406 947 649**

MARIAN NIGHTS

Wednesday evenings of October

6:30 PM Holy Rosary & Perpetual Novena

7:00 PM Holy Mass with Marian Reflections

Concluding with fellowship

OCTOBER REFLECTION PROGRAMME

7th Oct MARY

14th Oct That we may be made worthy
of the promises of Christ

21st Oct Turn then O most gracious
Advocate, thin eyes of mercy

28th Oct Hail our life our sweetness and
our hope



**Parish Office
Opening Hours**

Tuesday to Friday
9.30am to 1.30pm

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