



### The Vision

*Your word is a lamp for my steps and a light for my path.* (Psalm 119:105)

Scripture is foundational to the life of the Catholic Church and so this year will allow us to celebrate, share and live out our faith through deeper Scriptural engagement.

There will be opportunities to create new and renewed encounters with Christ through the Scriptures.

The Year of the Word will help achieve transformation in the faith and life of our Church and in the public arena through evangelisation, education, creative arts and social action.

### THE OFFICIAL PRAYER OF THE YEAR OF THE WORD.

Living God,  
You walk along side us  
and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.

Your Son, Jesus Christ,  
listens to our hopes and fears  
and shows us how to live for one another.

Send us the Holy Spirit  
to open our hearts and minds  
so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world.  
Amen

V: Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R: This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation – PRAY FOR US

St Matthew – PRAY FOR US

St Jerome – PRAY FOR US



### Key Themes

#### Celebrating God's Word

*enriching our worshipping and spiritual community.*



In discovering and renewing a genuine love for the word of God, we nurture our relationship with Christ. Through the Bible, we meet Christ who is alive in his word. We can listen to him speaking to us and guiding us in our daily lives.

#### Living God's Word

*enriching our social action and outreach.*



Scripture teaches us how to live in society, to respect the wonder of creation, especially each human being and to work towards the common good. The Scriptures inspire us to put faith into action, living God's word and doing God's word.

#### Sharing God's Word

*enriching our formation, proclamation and evangelisation.*

The Bible has inspired, and continues to inspire, learning, culture, art, music and literature. It enables science and faith to build up mutual understanding through dialogue. It challenges technology and social media to open up new ways to encounter and share Christ in the world.



Through this vision and these themes, we have a unique opportunity to nurture and inspire our faith through attentiveness to the Bible and the great riches of our spiritual history and traditions.