

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish



PARISH CHURCHES

Church of the Sacred Heart

Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

River Street, South Murwillumbah

St. Brigid's Church

Broadway, Burringbar

St. Columba's Church

Convent Lane, Uki

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5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- YEAR C

10 February 2019

Unchartered waters

In this astonishing incident in Luke's gospel, those listening to There it is again in today's gospel, the most commonly repeated phrase in the Bible: "don't be afraid." What is Simon Peter afraid of? He's been out all night, caught no fish and now at the bidding of this wondrous, strange person, whom he calls the Master, he has put out at the wrong time of day into deep water and lowered the nets again.

There are now so many fish they threaten to tear the nets and fill both boats to the point of sinking. A "lack of" has become an abundance. So great an abundance that Simon Peter is overwhelmed by what's going on. He knows himself to be in the presence of someone close to God and this, in turn, puts his own life into perspective. Struck by the "lack" in his own life, he falls on his knees and urges Jesus to let him be. It's at this point Jesus says, 'don't be afraid'.

We're all in the same boat as Simon Peter and his friends. When God comes close to us in our lives it's not all sweetness and light. Often when people say they have seen God, what they mean is, "they've been turned inside out, put into question at the deepest level."

That's what we're afraid of: that the experience of God in our lives might mean setting out into the deep unknown, disturbing our daily routines, even though it's there that God comes to meet us. We're afraid of going to that deeper place in case we are no longer in control.

It may be that the net work we're asked to do is on the Internet, in the hope that some might be able to discover there's a life that goes deeper than clickbait and celebrity culture. It's what Jesus offers Simon Peter when he adds, after saying fear not, that from now on you will be 'catching people alive' in the net of your own life.

It's the turnaround moment for Simon Peter (and his friends.) The presence of Jesus enables him to see himself and God differently; to see the promise of abundance, not lack, in his life, even as he decides to give up the boat, the business and goodness knows what else, for what? For the sake of the others. For the life of Christ.

It's the offer made to all of us. We're invited to go deeper; to be returned to ourselves in the company of others – especially, as Luke's gospel constantly reminds us, in the company of those on the margins – and together discover a depth and meaning in our lives, even as we're turned inside out. When this happens we know what Isaiah means when he says in the first reading: 'Here I am, send me.' And doing this together, we know, as does Paul in today's second reading, that the Lord has risen in our midst, transforming us.

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 10 - 17 FEBRUARY

Sunday	5th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Year C 8:00am 10.00am	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church <u>Mass</u> - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, South Murwillumbah
Tuesday	<i>No Adoration or Mass in Sacred Heart Church today</i> 6.00pm 7.00pm	Rosary - Sacred Heart Church Baptism Preparation Meeting - Parish Administration Centre
Wednesday	9.00am 9.00am 9.30am <i>No Adoration or Mass in Sacred Heart Church today</i>	<u>Mass</u> - Greenhills Lodge Gospel Reflection Group - Sacred Heart Church <u>Mass</u> - OLPS - St Joseph's Primary Opening Mass
Thursday	8.30am 9.15am	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church Legion of Mary - South Murwillumbah Meeting Room
Friday	10.00am 10.00am 10.00am 12.15pm 2.45pm - 3.45pm	Communion Service - Aveo Nursing Home - K Mumford Communion Service - Heritage Lodge - L Green Catholic Women's Group - see note page 3 <u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church Adoration - Sacred Heart Church
Saturday	9.00am 6:00pm	Rosary - Sacred Heart Church <u>Vigil Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church
Sunday	6th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Year C 8:00am 10.00am	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church <u>Mass</u> - St Brigid's, Burringbar

6th SUNDAY in ORD. TIME - Yr C 16/17 February	Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 6.00pm Saturday	Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 8.00am Sunday	COUNTERS: 10 Feb: J Morgan & L Green 17 Feb: B Brodbeck & C Kerr 24 Feb: G & K Bewes 3 Mar: T & P Zambelli 10 Mar: P & R Marr 17 Mar: P & L McMahon 24 Mar: C & J Anderson
Acolyte	P Egan	T Zambelli	
Altar Servers	Z Macartney L Grant	E & T Loughman	
Readers	N Sherrah (C) P/F K Mumford R M Mumford R	MA Thackray (C) R P Callaghan R K Malone P/F	
Ministers of Communion	B Nolan (C) D Macartney, R Daley K Mumford, MA McShane	P Sharp (C) I & B Dusi L Green, B Gorton	CHURCH CLEANING SANCTUARY & ALTAR Sacred Heart Church: 10 & 17 Feb: K Mumford, J Morgan OLPS Church, Sth M'bah February: K Ryder
Hospitality	—————	M Zambelli & M Roberts	
Procession of Gifts	C & J Anderson	P Willock & S Lemon	
Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy	V Hughes	

The Sacred Heart Church 'Prayer Chapel' is open for private prayer on weekdays.

ROSARY STATUE
Maree & Allan Leslight

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MARY MACKILLOP CONFERENCE
meets each Wednesday at Parish Meeting Centre. New members welcome.
"Come Grow With Us".
Phone: Marie Donaghy 6672 2933

The first Parish Cuppa for 2019 will be on Sunday 17 March with Purple Bucket Family Group

Readings next week: (Yr C)
6th SUNDAY in ORD. TIME
Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION - Sacred Heart:

Saturday : 5.30pm - 5.50pm

Sunday: 7.30am - 7.50am

BAPTISMS:

Sacred Heart Church - 12.00pm
2nd and 4th Sundays of each month
(At least four weeks notice required)

Baptism Preparation Evening:

7.00pm Parish Administration Centre
on 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Next Evening - Tuesday 12 February

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Alex Ross (Requiem Mass - 10am Monday 11 February at Sts Mary & Ambrose Catholic Church, Pottsville), Elsie Dawes, Sr. Dorothea, John Olsen, Fr. Leo Donnelly, Vicki Mather.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Fr. James O'Rourke, May Everingham, Mary Lazenby.



NOTICE BOARD

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP

Our New Year commences this Friday 15th February with morning tea at 10am in the Parish Administration Centre. The Women's Group is an informal gathering, meeting every 2nd month on the 3rd Friday for a 'cuppa' and on alternate months - lunch at a local venue. Further information from Marion 667222501. All ladies welcome.

PARISH MEN'S GROUP

The first meeting of the Parish Men's Group for 2019 will be at 6pm on Wednesday 20th February at the Parish Administration Centre. All men welcome.

CALENDAR

~ FEBRUARY ~

- 20 Parish Men's Group - 6pm
- 21 Parish Finance Council Meeting
- 24 **7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C**
10am Mass - OLPS, Sth M'bah
Baptisms
- 25/1 Meals on Wheels - Roster 2

~ MARCH ~

- 01 10am Mass - Aveo Nursing Home
- 03 **8th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C**
10am Mass - St Columba's, Uki
- 06 **ASH WEDNESDAY**
- 08 First Reconciliation Retreat Day - Hall
- 08 10am Mass - Heritage Lodge
- 08 First Reconciliation - 12noon
- 10 **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - C**
10am Mass - OLPS, Sth M'bah
- 10 Wedding: Daniel Smith & Mary Nguyen -
St Brigid's, Burringbar
- 12 Baptism Preparation Meeting
- 13 9am Mass - Greenhills Lodge
- 13 A Journey Through The Mass

GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP

Wednesday mornings
9am - Sacred Heart Church
ALL WELCOME.

WHAT IS CURSILLO?

The Cursillo weekend is a leadership course for Christians to grow in Christ's love through fun, fellowship, prayer, and presentations. We share with each other and grow so we can bring Christ's light to others. Mass and reconciliation available.

**Weekend: 6pm Thursday evening 14th March to
3.30pm Sunday 17th March 2019**

Venue is the Yarrowarra Aboriginal Culture Centre at 69 Red Rock Rd, Corindi Beach NSW 2456.

Contact: Paul Murphy 0428 665 445
Caryl Tory 0478 793 618
Pat Benefield 0432 441 068

ARE YOU PLANNING A TRIP TO SYDNEY ?

Why not stay at Mary MacKillop Place, in the heart of North Sydney! 30 minutes from the Airport, close to Ferries, Trains, Sydney Harbour foreshore, Opera House and more!

For Accommodation enquiries phone: 02 89124800.

ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, MACKSVILLE CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS - 5 & 6 APRIL 2019

The Nambucca Valley Parish extends a warm invitation to all past and present students, staff members, priests, families and friends to join us in celebrating the occasion of the St Patrick's Primary School 100th anniversary.

Friday 5th April- An Open Day is scheduled and there will be exhibits, memorabilia, performances and much more.

Saturday 6th April- The school will be open on Saturday 6th April from 2.00pm. A Centenary Mass will be celebrated at the school commencing at 5.00pm. A Centenary Dinner will be held at the Macksville Ex-Services Club at 6.30pm. For bookings and more information telephone the school on 6568 1397 or email macvp@lism.catholic.edu.au.

You can also visit our website for updated information and scheduling, <https://www.macvplism.catholic.edu.au/>

New school address: 32 Macksville Heights Drive, Macksville.

**5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (137)**

R: In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises Lord.

IF SUNG:

R: In the sight of the angels, Lord, I will sing your praises.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people. Alleluia!

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE MASS

**A LENTEN RETREAT
LED BY FR. ANTHONY**

March 13, 20, 27 and April 3 at 6pm

Buried within the Mass is a treasure of beautiful prayers and reflections, behind each lies a depth of faith and holy mystery. Many parts of the Mass relate directly to Scripture and the Church's tradition.

I'd like to offer four talks through Lent gently explaining the Mass from a priest's perspective and highlighting some of the beautiful prayers that we say each weekend.

Each talk will stand alone, you can come to all four or just one. I'll allow time for questions but the main part of the talk will be my reflections and explanations.

There are many prayers that I pray quietly, I'll share those with you and explain them. We'll have a look at the Eucharistic Prayers and Prefaces. We'll spend some time on the two Creeds. I'll explain some of the more common responses and why we use them.

The talks will begin directly after the Wednesday 5.30 PM Mass. They will last for 30 minutes and an optional time for Q and A.

Week 1 General Overview and Observations of the Mass

Week 2 Eucharistic Prayers 1 -4

Week 3 Other Eucharistic Prayers.

Week 4 The Creeds, Gloria and other Mass responses

If you have a Daily or Sunday Missal, bring it and follow along with me.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Retreat Day 9.30am - 12 noon - Parish Hall

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

**Friday 8 March - Sacred Heart Church
commencing at 12 noon**

2019 LENTEN PROGRAMME

'Trust'

This year's Lenten Programme is again published by the Diocese of Wollongong and designed as a six-week Lenten resource for small groups, staff reflections, families and individuals.

It also includes daily reflections from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday.

Six beautiful Gospel Reflections written by **Fr. Sean Cullen** (*Parish Priest of Bowral & Mittagong, NSW*), complimented by **Sr Hilda Scott OSB's** (*Vocations Director, Jamberoo Abbey*) **Spiritual Direction and Guided Christian Meditation** and **Mgr Graham Schmitzer** (*Parish Priest of Immaculate Conception Parish, Unanderra, NSW*) artwork reflections.

You are invited to join us for prayer and reflection during the weeks of Lent, which begins with Ash Wednesday on 6 March. The Lenten Programme will commence the week 4 - 8 March.

Today, we are asking for nominations to host and/or lead a Lenten Group. If you would like to, please write your name, address, phone number & preferred day, on the sheet provided at the Church entrance.

Lenten books are available from the Parish Office. Cost \$10.00. If you are unable to attend a Lenten group, books may be purchased for individual use.

PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way
of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.

Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.



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