

# 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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## PARISH STAFF

### Parish Priest

Fr. Anthony Lemon

### Parish Manager

Mary-Ann Thackray

### Parish Secretary

Beth Gorton

### Pastoral Associate

Barbara Grant

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## PARISH OFFICE

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## PARISH SCHOOLS

### Mt. St. Patrick College

Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

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Principal: Mr. Paul Clohesy

### Mt. St. Patrick Primary School

Mooball Street, Murwillumbah

Ph: 02 6672 1821

Principal: Mr. Brendan Ryan

### St. Joseph's Primary School

Greville Street, South Murwillumbah

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Principal: Mr. Jason Clarke

**6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**- YEAR C**  
**17 February 2019**

## *A triumphant cross*

A small boy once asked me what has been the most pertinent question I've ever been asked in my almost 50 years as a priest. The children were being prepared for Easter and reflecting on the events of Holy Week when the boy suddenly launched into a second question:

"Why do we call it *Good* Friday when it was such a bad Friday?"

Mind you, it was not the first time I'd been asked that question. But it was clear that his question had sparked the interest of the whole class and, to begin with, I could only congratulate him on asking it. I agreed with him that his assessment was correct: the day on which Jesus suffered his Passion and Death was a dreadful day and would have remained so but for Easter Sunday.

St Paul could not be more explicit when he tells us in his first letter to the Corinthians: "If Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins." Everything depends on the resurrection: without the resurrection nothing makes sense but in the light of the resurrection all that Jesus teaches us becomes life-giving.

The Old Testament prophets, like Jeremiah, continually invited their people to reflect on the importance of putting their trust in the Lord. The perennial temptation down through the ages is that we are inclined to put our trust in ourselves and imagine that it is our world and that we can sort everything out.

Jesus goes a step further, suggesting that our human way of thinking and acting needs to be turned on its head. In their gospels, both Matthew and Luke give us the Beatitudes: this is Christ's new charter for his followers and it takes us way beyond the Old Testament charter, the Ten Commandments. Now we are invited to think about what makes us ready for the kingdom of God. It is when we are poor, hungry and in distress that we are more prepared to recognise our need of God and experience the power of his presence.

Indeed, Paul grasps this when he reminds us that "if our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people." Our hope is precisely that everything is being redeemed in Christ, but more than that, it is that already we are living the new life which Jesus won for us through his Passion Death and Resurrection.

The ultimate paradox of the Christian life is that Jesus entered into the world as it is and entered into the pain of suffering and death. Through his Passion and Death, he breaks through their hold on us and frees us for our own resurrection. The cross becomes a triumph (we even have a feast for this in September) and Bad Friday becomes Good Friday.

Tim Buckley CSsR © Redemptorists 2019

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# THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 17 - 24 FEBRUARY

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
Tuesday	4.15 - 5.15pm 5.30pm 6.00pm	Adoration - Sacred Heart Church <u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church Rosary - Sacred Heart Church
Wednesday	9.10am 11.00am	Gospel Reflection Group - Sacred Heart Church <u>Requiem Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church for Jack Breakwell
	6.00pm	<i>No Adoration or Mass in Sacred Heart Church this afternoon</i> Parish Men's Group - Parish Administration Centre
Thursday	8.30am 9.15am 5.30pm	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church Legion of Mary - South Murwillumbah Meeting Room Finance Council Meeting
Friday	10.00am 10.00am 12.15pm 2.45pm - 3.45pm	Communion Service - Aveo Nursing Home - K Mumford Communion Service - Heritage Lodge - J Reynolds <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	7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Year C 8:00am 10.00am 12noon	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church <u>Mass</u> - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, South Murwillumbah Baptisms - Sacred Heart Church

7th SUNDAY in ORD. TIME - Yr C 23/24 February	Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 6.00pm Saturday	Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 8.00am Sunday	
<b>Acolyte</b>	R Daley	P Hyde	<b>COUNTERS:</b> 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 31 Mar: J Morgan & L Green  <b>CHURCH CLEANING</b> <b>SANCTUARY &amp; ALTAR</b> <u>Sacred Heart Church:</u> <b>17 Feb:</b> K Mumford, J Morgan <b>24 Feb &amp; 3 Mar:</b> L Johnson <u>OLPS Church, Sth M'bah</u> <b>February:</b> K Ryder
<b>Altar Servers</b>	R Trueman C Townsend	B & J Lofts V O'Keefe	
<b>Readers</b>	M Reynolds (C) R B Brodbeck R G Molloy P/F	B Nolan (C) R U O'Grady R F Wright P/F	
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	C Wightley (C) D & B Guinea M Mumford, R Nihill	M Chiesa (C) B Gorton, J Morgan P & R Marr	
<b>Hospitality</b>	D Haumu & C Jacobs	F Berg & B McGrouther	
<b>Procession of Gifts</b>	—————	McCalman family	
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	No Children's Liturgy	P Zambelli	

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

**ROSARY STATUE**  
Margaret Traves

**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)**  
**7th SUNDAY in ORD. TIME**  
**1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;**  
**1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38**

## 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 March

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Jack Breakwell, Alex Ross, Elsie Dawes, Sr. Dorothea Meany  
pbvm, John Olsen, Fr. Leo Donnelly, Vicki Mather.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

David O'Farrell, Bob Flanagan.



## NOTICE BOARD

### 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 ~

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  
17 **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - C**  
10am Mass - St Brigid's, Burringbar  
20 A Journey Through The Mass

### LITURGY ROSTERS

New Liturgy Rosters are being prepared shortly. If you would like  
to be added to the roster or change your availability, please  
phone the Parish Office (6672 1118).

### 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

### GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP

Wednesday mornings until Lent

9.10am - Sacred Heart Church

ALL WELCOME.

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

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 Pat-  
rick's Primary School 100th anniversary.  
Friday 5th & Saturday 6th April. For more  
information phone the school on 6568 1397 or  
email macvp@lism.catholic.edu.au.

### PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

Preparation for the Plenary Council 2020 begins with open  
Listening and Dialogue. It is the first step to preparing the agenda  
for the Plenary Council. Your experience of faith and the Church  
is important. Read about how you can #shareyourstory at  
plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au.

Cut-off date for making a submission is 6th March 2019.

We encourage you to play this video from Archbishop Timothy  
Costelloe:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rRVY7\\_uYCM4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rRVY7_uYCM4)

**Have your say - listen and share your story - join the listening  
and dialogue group for Plenary Council small group meeting  
Sacred Heart Parish Hall Saturday 23rd 11.00am-1pm.  
All welcome. Begins with a cuppa.**

God so loved the world  
that he gave his Only Begotten son,  
so that all who believe in him may not perish,  
but may have eternal life. Jn 3:16

**6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C  
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (1)**

**R: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!**

**ASH WEDNESDAY - 6 MARCH**

**MASS & LITURGY TIMES:**

**7.30am - Mass - Sacred Heart Church**

**9.30am - Mass - Sacred Heart Church  
- Mt St Patrick College**

**10.30am - Liturgy - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour  
- St Joseph's Primary**

**12.15pm - Liturgy - Sacred Heart Church  
- Mt St Patrick Primary**

**5.30pm - Mass - Sacred Heart Church**

**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.

**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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