# 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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# 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C 14 July 2019

## Our origin story

The first reading today comes from the book of Deuteronomy. Moses gives his last words of wisdom and warning to the Israelites before they enter the Promised Land. It is the blockbuster conclusion to the Torah.

In both Christian and Jewish Bibles, Deuteronomy is the fifth book. The first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy) are called the Torah, "Law." By telling the story of creation and the ancestral origins of Israel from Abraham to Joseph (Genesis); of Moses and the liberation of Israel from Egypt to the giving of the Law at Mt Sinai (Exodus); of the invitation, dangers and wonders of living in close proximity to God (Leviticus); of the journey through the desert wilderness (Numbers); and of the parting words of Israel's great leader at their journey's end (Deuteronomy), the Torah unveils the role of God's chosen people in history and recounts their covenant with God.

If you were to ask a stranger, "Who are you?" He would likely tell you stories about his hometown and family. This is what the Torah does for Israel, as well as for Christians. It is our origin story.

Deuteronomy means "second law." It is basically a long speech. Moses says, or says again, everything he wants to say to the people he led out of Egypt and through 40 years of wandering in the desert before he dies. Imagine you are a parent and your daughter is graduating from university and leaving home for the first time to live on her own. What would you want to say? You would probably want to say something that will always remain with her, that will help steer her life in the right direction, something to remember when things are difficult, as much as when things are good. This is what Moses does in Deuteronomy.

Moses's great speech has three large sections. The first part (chapters 1-11) begins with a sober reminder of what has happened since Israel left Egypt and of the failures of the people and the grace of God. It is also a rousing challenge to respond to God's mercy with love.

The second section (chapters 12-26) explains what love means: obedience. It is a repetition of the Laws Israel was given at Mt Sinai and an expansion on them for the new generation.

The third section (chapters 27-34) intensifies the speech, setting out Israel's options as does a fork in the road: love and obedience to God's commands spell blessing and life, while disobedience has the consequence of curse and death, culminating in exile from the Land.

The final chapters predict Israel's later exile and promise a great reversal of Israel's fortune through a "circumcision of the heart." Among these is today's reading. God has big plans for Israel on the world stage, and what plans are revealed, finally, in the New Testament.

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## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 14 - 21 JULY

Sunday 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C

Peter's Pence & Apostleship of the Sea Sunday 8.00am <u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church

9.00am Cuppa in Parish Hall

10.00am Mass - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, South Murwillumbah

12 noon Baptisms - Sacred Heart Church

Tuesday No Adoration, Mass or Rosary in Parish today

Wednesday No Adoration or Mass in Parish today

Thursday No Mass in Parish today

Saturday

9.15am Legion of Mary - South Murwillumbah Meeting Room

5.30pm Finance Council Meeting

Friday 10.00am Communion Service - M'bah Nursing Home - K Mumford

10.00am Communion Service - Heritage Lodge - L Green

12 noon Catholic Women's Group luncheon - (see *note page* 3)

No Mass in Parish today

2.00 - 3.00pm Adoration - Sacred Heart Church
9.00am Rosary - Sacred Heart Church
6.00pm Vigil Mass - Sacred Heart Church

Sunday 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C

Vinnies Winter Appeal

8.00am Mass - Sacred Heart Church No 10am Mass in Parish today (see note page 3)

16th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Yr C 20/21 July	Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 6.00pm Saturday	Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 8.00am Sunday
Acolyte	R Daley	T Zambelli
Altar Servers	R & H Ryder	M & A Ryder S Calvino
Readers	L Fox (C) P/F T Waugh R B Nolan R	M Roberts (C) R K Ryder R MA Thackray P/F
Ministers of Communion	R Anderson (C) R Nihill, B Brodbeck K Mumford, C Anderson	I & B Dusi (C) P & R Marr J Morgan
Hospitality		S Lemon & B Cook
<b>Procession of Gifts</b>		McCalman family
Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy	C Goronszy

#### COUNTERS:

14 July: P & R Marr
21 July: C & J Anderson
28 July: P & L McMahon
04 Aug: J Morgan & L Green
11 Aug: B Brodbeck & C Kerr
18 Aug: G & K Bewes

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# CHURCH CLEANING SANCTUARY & ALTAR

#### **Sacred Heart Church:**

**14 & 21 July:**K Mumford 1 Ma

K Mumford, J Morgan **28 July:** L Johnson

OLPS Church, Sth M'bah

July: K Ryder

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

### ROSARY STATUE Philomena Zambelli

# 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

## PARISH CUPPA Sunday 14 July

hosted by Marr Family Group

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP
Thursdays 1.45pm-2.45pm
(not during school holidays)

## **SACRAMENTS**

#### **RECONCILIATION - Sacred Heart:**

There is NO Reconciliation in the Parish until Fr Anthony returns from Holidays.

#### 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 13 August

#### **CALENDAR**

#### ~ JULY ~

- 27 6pm Family Mass with Mt St Patrick Primary School
- 28 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time-Yr C No 10am Mass today
- 30 9.45am State Schools Mass (see note)

#### ~ AUGUST ~

- 02 Confirmation Retreat Day Hall
- 02 **No 10am Mass** Aveo Nursing Home
- 04 **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time-Yr C** 10am Mass - St Columba's, Uki
- 05 Rosary & Prayers OLPS Church

#### MEALS ON WHEELS - Roster 2 15-19 July

Mon: G & K Bewes Tues: K & C Kerr

Wed: M Roberts & B Heanes; Fri: C Dennis & B McGrouther

#### PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO 10am Mass on Sundays 21 & 28 JULY

while Fr. Anthony is on holidays.

# PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES & STATEMENTS

Planned Giving Statements for the year ended 30 June 2019 are available at the back of the church today.

There are also a few 2019-2020 Planned Giving envelopes to be collected. Please take yours home with you.

Readings next week: (Yr C)
16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C
Gen 18:1-10; Col 1:24-28;
Lk 10:38-42

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

#### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Mary McCarthy (mother of Cate Mumford), Colin Leslight, John Park, Arthur Ensbey, Sheila Knell, Terry King.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Barbara McLeod, Anthony Dunlop, Pearl Bewes, Ron Flannery, Pat Ryder.



#### **NOTICE BOARD**

#### "Sunday Cuppa"

Please join us today, after 8am Sunday Mass, for a Cuppa in the Hall. All Welcome!!

#### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP NEWS...

Our lunch this month will be on **Friday 19 July at Johnny Franco's Restaurant, Commercial Road**. Numbers will be needed for catering, please ring Marion 6672 2501 or Barbara 6672 3377 by Wednesday 17 July. Lunch at 12noon.

#### ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME!

#### FAMILY MASS with MT ST PATRICK PRIMARY

6pm - Saturday 27 July followed by Pizza Night in Parish Hall.

ALL WELCOME!!

#### STATE SCHOOL CHILDREN'S MASS

Tuesday 30 July - 9.45am - in Sacred Heart Church

followed by morning tea in the Hall.

All children who attend state schools, and their families, are welcome to attend.

# PLENARY COUNCIL DISCERNMENT AND WRITING GROUP APPLICATIONS.

Position Vacant – Plenary Council Discernment and Writing Group Chairs and Members.

As we move into the Listening and Discernment stage of our preparation for the Plenary Council 2020, the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council is seeking both **lay people and clergy** who are willing to be leaders and partners in the process of discernment.

Opportunities are available to apply to be the Chair, or to be a member, of one of six Discernment and Writing Groups.

The Discernment and Writing Groups will explore one of the 6 following themes regarding how the Catholic Church is being called to be a Christ-centred Church that is: Missionary and Evangelising; Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal; Prayerful and Eucharistic; Humble, Healing and Merciful; A Joyful, Hope-filled and Servant Community; Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform.

For more information visit:

The Office for Employment Relations website www.employmentrelations.catholic.org.au

or contact Ms Olivia Lee on (02) 9919 7822 or olivia.lee@catholic.org.au. Applications close on 22 July 2019.

# 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (68)

R: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life . Alleluia!



#### **BAPTISMS:**

Please welcome **Lexi Elizabeth Ann Gale** to our faith community.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

will be held next weekend 20/21 July.

'THE PAIN OF POVERTY'

The Winter Appeal's theme this year focuses on the impact of poverty on older Australians.

Poverty often comes with the added burden of loneliness and social isolation when you can't afford to go out. This is particularly so for older people as their mobility becomes limited and their social network decreases.

Vinnies is committed to giving people choices that provide the sanctuary, security and safety each person deserves, and helps end the pain of poverty. We work to alleviate immediate need, to empower those people we serve to regain control of their lives and to challenge the structures and public policies that create or exacerbate inequalities. We advocate for change at a structural level with the aim of eliminating the root causes of impossible choices.

This winter, your commitment to helping those experiencing disadvantage and poverty is still very much needed and appreciated. In addition, may we continue to be open to that same Spirit, responding in love to those we serve, living in hope of providing ordinary things of life extraordinarily well!

#### **TODAY IS PETER'S PENCE SUNDAY**

#### - Annual contribution to the Pope

The Holy Father has many calls on his generosity. No one is more aware than he of the suffering that exists in many parts of the world. Nor is anyone in a better position to help than the Pope as he can work through Church Agencies to send aid where it is needed most - with a minimum of overhead cost.

Please assist the Holy Father with his charitable works, "Peter's Pence" envelopes are available this weekend. These can be placed on the Collection plates during Mass or handed in at the Parish Office.



#### APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA -AUSTRALIA

Known to seafarers around the world as Stella Maris, the Apostleship of the Sea cares for the spiritual, social and

material welfare of all seafarers regardless of colour, race or creed.

The Apostleship of the Sea is the apostolic work of the Catholic Church offering hospitality and pastoral care to the People of the Sea.

In almost every country bound by sea there exists a community of people who care for seafarers, fishers and their families regardless of their country or culture.

In Australia, AoS services are located in 13 ports: Adelaide, Albany, Bell Bay, Brisbane, Bunbury, Fremantle, Hastings, Mackay, Melbourne, Newcastle, Port Hedland, Sydney and Townsville.

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.

Hebrews 13:2

#### **CONFIRMATION**

Instruction 2 - 20/21 July
Instruction 3 - 27/28 July
Instruction 4 - 3/4 August
Retreat Day - Friday 2 August
9.30am / 2.30pm - Parish Hall
(please note change of date)

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
Tuesday 6 August - 6pm - Sacred Heart Church

How wonderful it would be if each one of us could say at the end of the day: Today, I performed an act of charity for someone. - Pope Francis



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