

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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**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
- YEAR C
13 October 2019**

Thank you, God

How often have you encouraged your young children to say 'thank you' after they are given something? Saying 'thank you' is a common courtesy that is used almost without thinking. Yet it's much more than a courtesy. When you give your children food or a gift, or do something for them, you do so without question because you love and care for them. Your giving is an expression of your relationship with them.

So too for saying 'thank you'. It is the relationship that is most important. Saying thanks is a personal acknowledgment of what you have done for them, sometimes with considerable effort on your part. Saying 'thank you' implies that I am not taking for granted what you have done for me. It can be very annoying if we feel others are taking for granted what we do for them.

Even Jesus may have been annoyed with the nine lepers who did not return to say thank you for being cured. The word translated as 'lepers' does not refer to the disease that is known today as leprosy. It did not exist at that time in Palestine. But the disfiguring skin disease suffered by these 10 people meant they were isolated from their families and communities, and could not even approach Jesus. How distressing this must have been for all concerned.

Jesus sent all 10 lepers to the Jewish priests, because only after the priests had formally verified they were cured would they be able to return to their homes and families. Soon after setting off to see the priests they realise they've been cured, but it is only the Samaritan who returns to thank Jesus. This Samaritan must have been doubly isolated, suffering from this disease - being ritually unclean - and belonging to a heretical religion and tribe. Jews were not supposed to have any contact with Samaritans because they had separated from the Jewish people and established their own temple worship.

How excited and overcome with emotion was this Samaritan, 'praising God at the top of his voice' and throwing himself at the feet of Jesus. The other nine disappeared, but the Samaritan enters into an intense personal relationship with Jesus. Being cured is really a springboard into a deeper relationship.

St Luke is telling us something significant. It is the most excluded and marginalised of the group who responds to Jesus, while the other nine, Jesus' own co-religionists, have taken the gift but ignored the giver. By thanking God and falling to the ground before Jesus, the Samaritan is relating with God on an entirely new level. He is not only cured but, as Jesus remarks, it is his faith that has saved him. For us too, saying thanks to God for all the gifts of life and love around us will surely enrich our relationship with God.

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 13 - 20 OCTOBER

Sunday	28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C	
	8.00am	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church
	10.00am	<u>Mass</u> - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, South Murwillumbah
Tuesday	<i>No Adoration, Mass or Rosary in Sacred Heart Church today</i>	
Wednesday	10.00am	Parish Men's Group - RSL Club
	<i>No Adoration or Mass in Sacred Heart Church today</i>	
Thursday	<i>No Mass in Sacred Heart Church today</i>	
	HSC Examinations commence today.	
	9.15am	Legion of Mary - South Murwillumbah Meeting Room
	1.45pm - 2.45pm	Christian Meditation Group - South Murwillumbah Mtg Room
	3.00pm	Junior Legion of Mary - South Murwillumbah
Friday	10.00am	Communion Service - Opal Nursing Home - K Mumford
	10.00am	Communion Service - Heritage Lodge - L Green
	10.00am	Catholic Women's Group - Parish Administration Centre
	12.15pm	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church
	2.00 - 3.00pm	Adoration - Sacred Heart Church
Saturday	9.00am	Rosary - Sacred Heart Church
	6.00pm	<u>Family Mass</u> with Mt St Patrick's Primary - Sacred Heart Church
	7.00pm	Pizza Night in Parish Hall (see note page 3)
Sunday	29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C	
	2019 CATHOLIC WORLD MISSION DAY APPEAL	
	8.00am	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church
	10.00am	<u>Mass</u> - St Brigid's, Burringbar

29th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Yr C 20/21 Sept	Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 6.00pm Saturday	Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 8.00am Sunday	COUNTERS: 13 Oct: P & R Marr 20 Oct: B Brodbeck & C Kerr 27 Oct: C & J Anderson 03 Nov: G & K Bewes 10 Nov: P & L McMahon 17 Nov: J Morgan & L Green 24 Nov: T & P Zambelli
Acolyte	J Reynolds	T Zambelli	
Altar Servers	E Wightley G Kendrick-Morosini	A & C McCabe X Palmer	
Readers	D Banner (C) R K Mumford R M Mumford P/F	B Cook (C) R P Callaghan R MA Thackray P/F	
Ministers of Communion	R Daley (C) K Mumford, R Nihill C Wightley, B Nolan	I & B Dusi (C) L Green, R Marr K Ryder	
Hospitality	—————	J Morgan & N Mayberry	
Procession of Gifts	C & J Anderson	St Joseph's Primary Staff	
Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy	K Anderson	

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

**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 PIZZA NIGHT
Saturday 19 October
 with Mt St Patrick Primary families

ROSARY STATUE
 Annette Lofts



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP
 Thursdays 1.45pm-2.45pm
 South M'bah Meeting Room

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 November

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Gittoes, Melanie Campbell, Debbie Jeffrey,
Chris Waters.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Phil & Brian Lazenby, Tom Bugden, Bernadette Kelly.



NOTICE BOARD

PARISH MEN'S GROUP

The next meeting of the Parish Men's Group for a Cuppa/
morning tea will be on **Wednesday 16th October -**
10am - RSL Club, Murwillumbah
ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP NEWS...

The last "Cuppa and Chat" meeting for this year
will be on **Friday 18th October at 10am**
in the Parish Administration Centre.
ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME!

FAMILY MASS

with **MT ST PATRICK PRIMARY SCHOOL**
6pm - Saturday 19 October
followed by **Pizza Night in Parish Hall.**
ALL WELCOME!!

Mass of the Angels

9.00am Saturday 9 November

Sacred Heart Church

*A special Mass for families to remember their children
that have died at, or before birth, or as young children.*

CALENDAR

~ OCTOBER ~

Month of the Holy Rosary

24 Parish Finance Council

27 **30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YR C**

10am Mass - OLPS, Sth Murwillumbah
Baptisms

28 Oct/1 Nov Meals on Wheels - Roster 1

~ NOVEMBER ~

01 **ALL SAINTS DAY**

01 9.30am MSPPS Grandparents Mass

01 10am - Opal Nursing Home

02 **ALL SOULS DAY**

02 9am Mass - Sacred Heart Church

03 **31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YR C**

10am Mass - St Columba's, Uki

09 Mass of the Angels - 9am - Sacred Heart

10 **32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YR C**

10am Mass - OLPS, Sth Murwillumbah
Baptisms - 12 noon - Sacred Heart

11/15 Clergy Conference

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN)

On the 18th of October Aid to the Church in
Need is inviting children worldwide to take
part in the campaign "One Million Children
Praying the Rosary." For more information,
visit: www.millionkidspraying.org

LITURGY ROSTERS -

Please take your Liturgy Roster home
with you today.

Readings next week: (Yr C)
29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tim 3:14 - 4:2;
Lk 18:1-8

PRAYER SPONSORS FOR MSPC HSC STUDENTS

Please keep all Year 12 students in your prayers as they
commence their Higher School Certificate examinations this
Thursday 17 October and continue until Monday 11 November.

SAVE THE DATE:

**The Relics of St Therese of Lisieux and her Parents Sts.
Louis & Zelig Martin in the Diocese of Lismore from Sat
15th - Wed 19th Feb 2020**

This National Pilgrimage will be a special time of grace for all who
venerate the relics and a prayerful precursor to the historic convening
of Plenary Council 2020.

The relics will visit various parishes throughout the Diocese,
beginning at the Carmelite Monastery on 15 February, St Carthage's
Cathedral 16 February and onto Casino, Maclean, Grafton, Sawtell &
Port Macquarie until 19 February.

**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Yr C
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (97)**

R: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

**St Joseph's School
South Murwillumbah
50th Anniversary Celebrations!**



In 2020 St Joseph's School will celebrate 50 years of catholic education in Murwillumbah. Planning has begun for our celebrations which will centre around the Feast Day of Mary of the Cross from 5 August to 8 August 2020.

We need your photos and memories please!

Due to the loss of some of the school history, particularly photos, in the 2017 flood, we are hoping to get the news out to our ex-students and their families, past staff and parishioners to ask if the school could borrow your photos for scanning and saving as we rebuild our history book.

Photos and newspaper articles may be taken to the St Joseph's School Office or to the Sacred Heart Parish Office for scanning or may be emailed to smurp@lism.catholic.edu.au.

Other memorabilia or stories that you would like to share are also welcome.

More information regarding the celebrations will be available as the time draws closer. The St. Joseph's community is extremely proud of our school community and looks forward to making this a wonderful celebration.



**58TH CHRISTMAS
CARNIVAL
& NATIVITY TABLEAU
SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER
7 weeks to Carnival Day!**

The Christmas Carnival stalls will again be located in the Gilbey Centre basement and surrounding grounds of Mt St Patrick schools. The Nativity Tableau will be enacted on stage in the Gilbey Centre.

Carnival stalls will open from 4:00 pm and the Nativity Tableau will be enacted in the Gilbey Centre at 7.00pm.

There will be NO Vigil Mass on Saturday evening.

WELCOME

This weekend we welcome Prodeocio Bognay to our parish. Prodeocio is a seminarian in the Lismore Diocese, who will be staying with us for the next few months.

Please make him welcome, and we hope he enjoys his stay here in our Murwillumbah Parish.

Fr Anthony will be offering all Masses this weekend for the gift of rain.

**MASS TIMES
1 & 2 NOVEMBER
ALL SAINTS DAY
FRIDAY, 1 NOVEMBER
9.30AM MASS in Sacred Heart Church
with Mt St Patrick Primary School
celebrating Grandparents Day.
ALL SOULS DAY
SATURDAY, 2 NOVEMBER
9.00AM MASS in Sacred Heart Church**

Next weekend is the annual CATHOLIC WORLD MISSION DAY APPEAL.

'Do not fear, for I am with you.' Isaiah 41:10

Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic World Mission Day Appeal. This year we are invited to partner with the church in Ghana, as they provide ongoing protection and development of children who are vulnerable.

In line with traditional beliefs, in parts of Ghana, children born with a disability, or whose mother passes during childbirth, are considered to be 'spirit children', and thus at risk of being harmed or killed. The Church in Ghana is dedicated to protecting these children and educating families to ensure every child has a chance to live a full life. Please come prepared to give generously. Envelopes will be available for your donation.

Freecall: 1800 257 296 or visit: catholicmission.org.au/Ghana



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