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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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A 8 March 2020

What does your heart say

Banal. Humdrum. Boring. Commonplace. Dull. Trivial. Uninteresting. Unremarkable. Quotidian. Life can sometimes be described by any one of these terms. Quite often we can experience even the most fundamental, the most profound things, like prayer, like the Mass, as banal and unremarkable.

Prayer can feel so much like interior self-exposure to empty nothingness and Mass can be so mundane that you struggle to see the point. Except you have some vague but persistent conviction that you should be at church to honor Jesus. That you should persist in the struggle to set yourself before God, to open the depths of your heart to his presence, to pray ...

You've heard the words of consecration thousands of time: "This is my body ... This is my blood ..." At one level, they are like any other words said by any other person at any other time on this planet: breath is pushed through vocal chords and quickly changing shapes made by tongue, teeth and lips in order to form sounds in a precise order. The difference, though, is that these words are the very words of *Jesus Christ*, spoken at a specific moment in time, on the night of his betrayal, the night of his arrest. The night before his death.

And yes, Jesus of Nazareth, was a man, like any other man who ever lived: he was born, he did some stuff and he died. He even did some rather remarkable stuff and said some rather remarkable things: healings, exorcisms, parables, warnings, blessings. He was fascinating and charismatic even on a merely human level.

But what does your heart tell you to see in him? What does your heart tell you to hear in his words, repeated countless times and in countless places over millennia, words repeated today, in your presence, at the altar? Does your heart tell you to see in him everything worth having, everything good and holy and true? Does your heart tell you to see in him and in his words the very love of God himself? An invitation to life and truth, to joy, to eternity, to resurrection, to a coming kingdom, to justice and peace, to life unending, to bliss, to a new heavens and new earth?

What does your heart tell you to recognise in his passion and death? What does your heart say to you about the empty tomb? He is alive and reigns now. He has "destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light," said St Paul. Even more remarkable: he is including you in this plan, this "grace bestowed ... in Christ Jesus before time began." In Jesus, he is thinking of you; he has been thinking of you all along.

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 8 - 15 MARCH

Sunday	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - Year A					
	8:00am	Dam <u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church				
	10:00am	N	Mass - Our Lady of Perpe	tual Succour		
	12 noon		Baptisms - Sacred Heart (
Tuesday	4:15 - 5:15pr	n A	Adoration - Sacred Heart Church			
-	5:30pm		Mass - Sacred Heart Church			
	6:00pm		Rosary - Sacred Heart Chu			
	7:00pm			ting - Parish Administration Centre		
Wednesday	9:00am		Communion Service - Greenhills Lodge - Prodencio (NB: Change)			
	11:00am		Requiem Mass for Ken Buchanan - Sacred Heart Church			
	No afternoon		r Mass in Sacred Heart C			
Thursday	No Mass in S	acred Heart	Church			
	9:15am			ırwillumbah Meeting Room		
	1:45pm - 2:4			p - South Murwillumbah Mtg Room		
	3:00pm	-	unior Legion of Mary - So			
Friday	10:00am					
	10:00am					
	No Mass in S					
	12:45pm - 1:	15pm S	stations of the Cross - Sad	cred Heart Church		
	1:45pm - 2:4	45pm - 2:45pm Adoration - Sacred Heart Church				
Saturday	9:00am	F	Rosary - Sacred Heart Chu	urch		
	6:00pm	F	amily Mass with Mt St Pa	atrick Primary - Sacred Heart Church		
Sunday	THIRD SUN	NDAY OF L	ENT - Year A			
-	8:00am					
	10:00am		<u>lass</u> - St. Brigid's, Burrin			
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	C	Larkin	I Dusi	05 April: G & K Bewes		
Altar Servers		/ Ryan	S Gibbons, L Clarl	2 12 April: Parish staff		
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			P Callaghan (C) P/	^{/F} 26 April: T & P Zambelli		
Readers	Mt St Pa	trick Primary	,			
			L Green R			
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Ministers of		on, C Wightle	, , ,	rgan SANCTUARY & ALTAR		
Communion		inister required)				
				8 March: B Gorton, M Reynold		
Hospitality	Mt St Pa	trick Primary	S Lemon & B Coo	15 & 22 March.		
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Procession of Gift	s Mit St Pa	trick Primary	St Joseph's staff	St Joseph's staff OLPS Church, Sth M'bah		
Children's Liturg	No Child	lren's Liturgy	A Lofts	March: T Jandura		
The Sacred Hear	rt Church	ST. VI	NCENT DE PAUL	PARISH CUPPA		

'Prayer Chapel' is open for private prayer on weekdays.



ROSARY STATUE 8 Mar: Dom & Bev Guinea 15 Mar: Pam Willock

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MARY MACKILLOP CONFERENCE meets each Wednesday

meets each Wednesday at Parish Meeting Centre. New members welcome. "Come Grow With Us". Phone: Marie Donaghy 6672 2933 PARISH CUPPA today Sunday 8 March Sacred Heart Church

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP Thursdays 1:45pm-2:45pm South Murwillumbah 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 - <u>This Tuesday 10 March</u>

CALENDAR

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16-20 Catholic Schools Week

- 16-20 Meals on Wheels Roster 1
- 17 St Patrick's Day
- 18 Parish Men's Group (see note below)
- 19 St Joseph's Day
- 19 Finance Council Meeting
- 20 MSPPS Open Day
- 21 Wedding: Sacred Heart Church Aimee South & Pateriki Tepania
- 22 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT A 10am Mass - OLPS, Sth M'bah 12 noon Baptisms

Parish Men's Group Morning Tea

The next meeting of the Parish Men's Group for a Cuppa/morning tea will be on Wednesday 18 March - 10am - RSL Club.

Readings next week: (Yr A) THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: .

Ken Buchanan, Noel Mather, Josie Dunne, Colin Fuller, Robyn McDermott, Mavis Besford, Eric Boan.

ANNIVERSARIES: Chris Hill.



NOTICE BOARD



'Sunday Cuppa'

Please join us this Sunday, after 8am Sunday Mass for a Cuppa in the Church. **All Welcome!!**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Sacred Heart Church - 12.45pm Fridays during Lent led by Legion of Mary (following 12:15pm Mass) STATIONS OF THE CROSS

PARISH FAMILY MASS - 6pm - Saturday 14 March with MT ST PATRICK PRIMARY STAGE 3 ALL WELCOME!!

MASS OF ANOINTING

'Come and receive the Healing Touch of God' 9am - Saturday 28 March - Sacred Heart Church

If you are unable to drive and would like a lift to this Mass, please phone the Parish Office 6672 1118.

EASTER LITURGY ROSTERS

The liturgy roster for **Palm Sunday (Gospel readers)** and the **Easter Ceremonies** will be prepared shortly.

If you would like to volunteer for a ministry at any of the Easter ceremonies, please add your name to the Roster sheet at the Church entrance.

PLEASE NOTE: Practice for Readers:

Palm Sunday Gospel readers - 10am Saturday 4 April. Good Friday Gospel readers - 10am Friday 10 April. Easter Vigil readers - 10am Saturday 11 April.

CORONAVIRUS NOTICE FROM THE BISHOP'S OFFICE

Since the Australian Government has indicated that there has been transmission of Covid-19 Virus within Australia, and in accordance with specialist medical advice, Bishop Homeming has made some rulings concerning the celebration of Mass in our Diocese.

- 1. In order to prevent the passing of the virus from hand to hand there will be no sign-of-peace until further notice.
- 2. To prevent the possibility of the transmission of droplets from one person to another during the reception of Communion, all Communion will be given on the hand and not on the tongue until further notice.
- 3. The Chalice will not be shared with the congregation.
- 4. If you are feeling unwell, you are relieved from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass. Sick people should not attend Mass.
- 5. All Special Ministers of the Eucharist must use hand sanitizer before & after distributing Communion.
- 6. Holy Water will not be used at the entrances of churches.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - Yr A RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (32)

R: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Praise and honour, Lord Jesus Christ. From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him . Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Praise and honour, Lord Jesus Christ.



BAPTISMS:

Please welcome Ari Lou Barnes, Austin James Lee, Sloane Alice Lee & Isabelle Marie Jennifer Phillips to our faith community.





SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 8TH MARCH 2020



Mt St Patrick College

THURSDAY 19TH MARCH 2020

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Morning Session 9.00am - 11.00am

Evening Session 5.00pm - 6.30pm

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Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help mothers like Phany continue to uplift their communities, and provide food for their families.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting <u>www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion</u> or phoning 1800 024 413.



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