

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

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**30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -
YEAR A**

25 October 2020

Loving God and your neighbour

October is traditionally a month in which we focus on Mary. In our journey of praying the rosary from the first mystery, the Annunciation, until we come to Pentecost, Mary gives us an example of loving God and loving our sisters and brothers. The rosary ends with her Assumption and Coronation, a reward for keeping the greatest commandment.

The Pharisees in today's gospel reading should have been enjoying the moment when their rivals, the Sadducees, having tried to trick Jesus with a question concerning the resurrection, were silenced by him. But on that day, the Pharisees and the Sadducees joined in an attempt to silence Jesus. Losing arguments with Jesus meant risking losing their followers and increasing Jesus' popularity. So, they got together and called on an expert in the law to ask another tricky question.

His question sounds genuine. Over the years, the scribes, Pharisees and the Sadducees had burdened the lives of ordinary Jews with 613 rules, Dos' and Don'ts. There were "greater laws" and "smaller laws" and "oral and written" laws. Hence the question: Which commandment assured eternal life? But the purpose here was to trap Jesus. They wanted Jesus to say something at variance with the Law of Moses and thus hasten his condemnation.

Jesus replied with a surprising combination of the two Old Testament texts, Deuteronomy 6:5 (You shall love the Lord your God...) and Leviticus 19:18 (You shall love your neighbour...) For the first time ever Jesus brought these commandments together and said that on these two *together* hung the rest of the Scripture. That was an unexpected answer which enraged his enemies. But here is the heart of Jesus' teaching.

Today's first reading speaks of how greatly God cares for His people. God calls the poor, the widow, the orphan and the stranger "His People." The Lord says to Moses "I shall hear their cry... I will listen, for I am full of pity."

Saint Catherine of Genoa, a mystic, once prayed, "Lord, you say that I should love my neighbour, but I can love no one but you." God replied to her in these words: "Everybody who loves me loves what I love." God loves his people. Loving God and loving your neighbour are inseparable. As the First Letter of St John tells us, "If anyone says, 'I love God,' and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen."

On the last Sunday of this Marian month may we learn from Mother Mary. In the miraculous icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help, she holds the Son of God close to her heart, but her eyes are fixed on the wounded world and its suffering people.

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This week in the Parish

ALL MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED IN THE SACRED HEART CHURCH
until further notice

Saturday 24 Oct 6:00 pm - Vigil Mass - Baptism & Confirmation of
RCIA candidate during Mass

Sunday 25 Oct 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YR A
8:00 am - Mass
10:00 am - Mass

Tuesday 27 Oct 5:30 pm - Mass

Wednesday 28 Oct 5:30 pm - Mass

Thursday 29 Oct 8:30 am - Mass

Friday 30 Oct 12 noon - Mass

Saturday 31 Oct 6:00 pm - Vigil Mass

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Sunday 1 Nov ALL SAINTS DAY - YR A

8:00 am - Mass

10:00 am - Mass

PLEASE NOTE:

Mass on Friday will revert back to Friday Mass, and will not be included as a Sunday Mass, commencing this Friday 30 October.

WEEKEND MASSES

BOOKINGS REQUIRED

Please contact the Parish Office
66721118 Tuesday & Wednesday
9am - 3pm or email your request to
shpmbah@norex.com.au

WEEKDAY MASSES

(TUE, WED, THU & FRI)

NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

RECONCILIATION - Sacred Heart:

Saturday : 5.30pm - 5.50pm

Sunday: 7.30am - 7.50am

Readings this week: (Yr A)

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YR A

Ex 22:20-26: 1 Thess 1:5-10: Mt 22:34-40

FRIDAY 30 OCT:

Phil 1:1-11; Lk 14:1-6 (not Sunday readings)

ALL SAINTS DAY - YR A

Apoc 7:2-4, 9-14: 1 Jn 3:1-3: Mt 5:1-12

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Peter Hasrouny, Philip Bostock, Mary Reynolds,
Marie Murnane, Annabelle Jones.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Salvatore Procopio.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Fr John Fitz-Walter, Bill Hyde.

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL RAFFLE...

Tickets for the Christmas Carnival Parish Raffle
will be available soon.

To be drawn on the last Saturday in November.

MASS TIMES

ALL SAINTS DAY

SUNDAY, 1 NOVEMBER

8:00AM & 10:00AM MASS

in Sacred Heart Church

ALL SOULS DAY

MONDAY, 2 NOVEMBER

5:30PM MASS

in Sacred Heart Church

NOVEMBER - HOLY SOULS

November is a special time for praying for the dead.

During this month people traditionally request "November Masses" for deceased relatives & friends. Envelopes for these Masses are in the Planned Giving pack of envelopes or on the table at the Church entrance.

Please ensure all names are clearly printed.

Prayers during November may also be requested for deceased relatives and friends by writing their names on the yellow cards (at the Church entrance) and placing the card on the Church noticeboard.

In 2 Maccabees 12:43-46 we read

"It is therefore a holy and a wholesome thought to pray for the Dead."

SUPPORTING YOUR SPIRITUAL AND PRAYER LIVES DURING COVID-19

View Mass at Home

There are several options to tune into Mass at home:

ONLINE:

- ◆ Bishop Greg Homeming is livestreaming Sunday Mass at 8:00am. Follow the link from lismorediocese.org or going straight to the 'Lismore Diocese' channel on YouTube.
- ◆ Mass on Demand: <http://10play.com.au/mass-for-you-at-home>

FREEVIEW TV:

- ◆ Tune in to channel 10 on Sunday mornings at 6:00am for 'Mass for You at Home'.



Invitation

TO CELEBRATE HOLY MASS IN FILIPINO

Filipino Support Group (Tweed) and ladies groups in Murwillumbah and Kingscliff will jointly celebrate Solemn Mass in Filipino on 14 November 2020 at 11:00am (NSW DST) at St Joseph's Parish Church, 11 Frances Street, Tweed Heads. The celebration will commemorate the 2nd Anniversary Ordination of Rev Fr Wilber Tobe.

We encourage participants to reserve their place in Church as numbers are limited due to Covid restrictions.

After the Mass we continue the celebration at Little Malaya, 32 Bay Street, Tweed Heads. Sumptuous 3-course meal - \$20/pp.

Reservations may be made with the following:

Fely Hamer (07) 55242607

Norma Zarda (07) 55233419

Lalaine Plaza 0492 858491

PARISH MEN'S GROUP

The next meeting of the Parish Men's Group for a Cuppa/morning tea will be on

Wednesday 11 November

10am - Jim Grennan's home

10 McMillan Street, Greenhills

Contact: Alex Lever 6672 1908

ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!



WELCOME

Please welcome

Tahlia McAndrew,

Rafe Stanley McAndrew,

Danny Randall McAndrew

& Brock Allan McAndrew

to our faith community.

2020 HSC STUDENTS

Please keep all Year 12 students in your prayers as they continue their HSC examinations this week.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Items for the Agenda of the PPC meeting to be held Thursday 5 November must be received a day prior to the PPC Executive Meeting of Tuesday 27 October.

Please direct to the Secretary, Denise Banner by email to banner@onthenet.com.au or place in the PPC Submissions Box in the Sacred Heart Church.

Invitation to volunteer for one or more new Sub-Committees, or to express interest in joining a Ministry Submission forms are available on the table at the Church entrance.

Please place your completed form in the Parish Pastoral Council Submissions Box in the Sacred Heart Church. Thank you.



MISSION SUNDAY THANK YOU

'For the Joy of the Lord is your STRENGTH'

- Nehemiah 8:1

Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your prayers and financial support.

Your generosity makes it possible for the Church, through programs such as the Arrupe Centre, in Cambodia, to continue making the love of Jesus Christ real - both spiritually and materially.

For more information about the work of Catholic Mission in Cambodia and around the world, please contact our friendly team at the freecall number below, or at catholicmission.org.au/contact.

Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/cambodia





30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (Ps 17)

R: I love you, Lord, my strength.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

PLEASE NOTE:

The Bishop, realising that not all parishioners can be accommodated at weekend Masses, has continued the dispensation from the Sunday obligation.

MASS - What you need to know...

As at 23 October the number permitted to attend Masses and any church services continues to be determined by the 4 square metre distancing rule.

As you all know there are certain directives that must be followed to enable us to come together and celebrate as a community, so please take a moment to familiarise yourself with these:

- ◆ all Masses will be celebrated in Sacred Heart Church (entry via main entrance only)
- ◆ signing in on arrival and hand sanitising
- ◆ **it is still necessary to book for ALL weekend Masses including Saturday and Sunday**
- ◆ no need to book for weekday Masses on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday
- ◆ seats are marked where you can sit
- ◆ please observe social distancing when coming forward for communion, and communion BY HAND only
- ◆ for the time being, we will not be having congregational singing
- ◆ church cleaned after each Mass
- ◆ covid-19 safety plan of action in place

Queries or concerns, please contact Mary-Ann in the Parish Office.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,

we bless you,

we adore you,

we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

(APOSTLES' CREED)

I believe in God,

the Father almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died and was buried;

he descended into hell;

on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father

almighty;

from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and life everlasting.

Amen.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.



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