

# 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 SCHOOLS

### Mt. St. Patrick College

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Principal: Mr. Brendan Ryan

### St. Joseph's Primary School

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Principal: Mr. Jason Clarke

**27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -  
YEAR B**

**3 October 2021**

## The 'playground' of life

Watching children in a playground, I am in awe at how uninhibited they are with one another. Though they may be total strangers, children seem to have no problem fumbling and tumbling around, chatting to one another and even making friends under the watchful eye of their parents.

Once playtime is over, the new-found friends say goodbye whilst the adults simply smile and quietly go their separate ways. It is clear children believe the playground is loads of fun, not just because of the swings and slides, but because other kids are present. When other children are not around the playground is quieter, not as much fun.

It can be compared to people coming together to pray as a faith community. Total strangers we may be, but it's still a much richer and fulfilling experience when we pray as one, whether it be at Mass, bible study or a prayer service.

At that time of common prayer, like children in a playground, it's much easier to leave all judgement, prejudices and hang-ups behind and be more at ease with one another. And all this speaks of God who is God of, and, for relationships. The bible shows us how much God wants to be in relationship with humanity: The lengths and breaths that God will go to foster that relationship and the invitation for humanity to constantly enter into that relationship with God and, importantly, with one another.

It seems rather strange that what comes so naturally to children becomes increasingly difficult as we grow older. We become more inhibited, more weary, more conscious of ourselves and of our behaviour. We also are more aware of how others behave. And perhaps this makes having new relationships with people around us more challenging.

But we are created, born and brought up through and by relationships. It's part of the building blocks of our very nature because it's God's nature. To be in loving and giving relationships with one another. To be able to come together and support one another as we fumble and tumble through life. To see and appreciate that life is so much richer and wonderful because there are others around who are living life together with us.

We are all invited by God to be in the playground of life, to enter into it with others, to be like children; welcoming, accepting without inhibitions and judgements and relating to one another as brothers and sisters. Life perhaps is meant to be like a playground, without walls, barriers and borders. Life should be an open space in our hearts where people and God can enter and bring life to us and for us to share that life with others.

Mark Chia CSSR @ Majellan Media 2021  
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# This week in the Parish 3-10 October

Sunday 3	Daylight Saving commences 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B 8:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Mass 12 noon - Baptism
Monday 4	Parish Office closed - Labour Day weekend
Tuesday 5	5:30 pm - MASS 6:30 pm - Confirmation Parent Meeting - Sacred Heart Church
Wednesday 6	5:30 pm - MASS
Thursday 7	OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY 8:15 am - Mass 9:00 am - Legion of Mary - South Meeting Room
Friday 8	12:00 pm - Mass
Saturday 9	6:00 pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 10	28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B 8:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Mass



## SEATING IN THE CHURCH

Please remember to turn over the small 'Please Sit Here' card where you sit in the church during Mass. This tells the volunteer cleaners where someone has been sitting during Mass.

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday : 5.30pm - 5.50pm  
Sunday: 7.30am - 7.50am

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

David Wilkinson, Philip Blackburn, Julie Keogh, Peg Hatfield, Margaret Dignan, Joy Ianna, Ken Kerr, Eileen Lutton, Claire McLeod

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Philip Bostock, Ted Leape

### THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Margaret Chiesa, James Wallace

### Readings for today and next Sunday:

**27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B**  
Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16

**28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B**  
Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30

## READING ROSTER

9/10 October - 28th Sunday in Ord Time - Yr B

6pm Vigil: Christine Wightley

Sunday 8am: Jan Bruce

Sunday 10am: Ed Egan

This weekend Fr Anthony will be using Preface of Ordinary Time VI and Eucharistic Prayer II.

## WEDNESDAY WORD

Copies of Wednesday Word, with this weekend's readings, are available for you in the Church.



## BAPTISM

Please welcome  
Jessica Rose Duffy  
to our faith community.

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Parent Meeting  
Tuesday 5 October - 6.30pm  
Sacred Heart Church

Welcome & Instruction - 9/10 October  
Confirmation Instruction - 16/17 October  
Confirmation Instruction - 23/24 October  
Confirmation Instruction - 30/31 October

Sacrament of Confirmation  
Wednesday 3 November

Children in Year 3 or older  
are eligible to make their Confirmation.

## PRAYER SPONSORS FOR MSPC HSC STUDENTS


Mt St Patrick College is once again asking for Prayer Sponsors for Year 12 students during their Higher School Certificate exams. The HSC exams commence Tuesday 9 November.

Prayer cards with student names will be handed out at Masses this weekend.


Thank you for your prayers.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We would like to acknowledge the Bundjalung people who are the Traditional Owners of this land on which we gather and pray today. We pay our respects to the Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people past, present and emerging.



**Legion of Mary  
Covid19 ROSARY UNITED**  
Please join fellow legionaries,  
family and friends  
to privately pray the ROSARY  
TIME: 7:30pm 7 October  
2021



LEGION OF MARY  
FOUNDED 7 SEPTEMBER 1921

**~INTENTION~**  
To honour Our Blessed Mother on this  
glorious feast of the Holy Rosary –  
offering her our continued love and  
service and asking her intercession  
at this turbulent time,  
to ease our distress and disturbance;  
and bring an end  
to the Covid19 virus.

Murwillumbah Cutha/Lismore Diocese

**PLenary COUNCIL  
- 3RD OCTOBER**



The opening Mass for the first assembly of the Plenary Council will be celebrated this Sunday 3rd October.

The Mass will be livestreamed from St Mary's Cathedral in Perth on the Council website at 3pm DST : <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

The assembly gathering of more than 278 people will be virtual given the restrictions in many states. The Lismore Diocese has 4 representatives. Please keep them, and all involved, in your prayers as the final preparations take place.

A message from:  Aid to the Church in Need  
*Aid to the Church in Need Australia* **ACN AUSTRALIA**

**One Million Children Praying the Rosary:**

ACN invites you to join the prayer campaign 'One Million Children Praying the Rosary' for unity and peace in the world on the 18th of October. Register and learn more at [www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children](http://www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children)




As part of our commitment to Safeguarding in our Parish, we wish to advise everyone that there is **NO ACCESS to the Sacristy before and after each Mass.** This area is used

by our clergy, acolytes and workers for Mass preparation and vesting and is not an appropriate place for others to enter at these times.

If you need to speak with Fr Anthony, please let one of our hospitality team know and we'll arrange for you to catch up with Fr Anthony after Mass if possible. Alternatively, an appointment may be made through the Parish Office by phoning 6672 1118 during office hours 9 am to 3 pm.

If your request relates to a Mass intention, envelopes are available at the hospitality table and may be completed and left with the hospitality team for Fr Anthony.

**All professions and trades are called to assist this mission.**

*Get Ready to Fly!*

Since 1961 Palms Australia has quietly prepared and supported humble Catholics like you for mission. It's our response as church to calls from Australian and overseas communities to help bring opportunity to the poor.

Sharing your skills with local co-workers helps them to develop their essential community organisations. Improving their self-reliance aids sustainable poverty reduction and removes dependence on foreign aid and influence. Your relationships within the local community will transform your heart and soul.

To be prepared for a 2022 placement: Visit: [palms.org.au](http://palms.org.au)  
Email: [palms@palms.org.au](mailto:palms@palms.org.au) or: call Christine 02 9560 5333 by Friday October 29.



**Palms Australia**

**For We CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING about what we have SEEN & HEARD** ACTS 4:20

In three weeks, Catholic Mission will share the essential mission work of Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, as they reach out to vulnerable mothers and their babies during their time of need.

You will have the opportunity to respond to this great work and help Sister Chalaad reach out to more mothers and their babies.

Please come with an open and generous heart.





Freecall: 1800 257 296  
[catholicmission.org.au/thailand](http://catholicmission.org.au/thailand)



## Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

### 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B RESPONSORIAL PSALM (127)

**R:** May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**If we love one another, God will love us in perfect love.**

**Alleluia!**

### WEARING OF MASKS

A reminder to everyone:

**you are required to wear a mask indoors  
when attending Mass**

If you have an exemption from wearing a mask, you are required to carry the exemption from your doctor or a statutory declaration, and to produce this exemption when asked by a regulatory officer.

\* Please be respectful to people who are not wearing a mask as the reasons for not wearing a mask are not always visible or obvious.

### MASS - What you need to know

- ◆ all Masses are celebrated in Sacred Heart Church (*entry via main entrance only*) – country churches remain closed
- ◆ QR check in on arrival or give your name and contact details to our hospitality team
- ◆ you are required to wear a mask inside
- ◆ please use the hand sanitiser provided
- ◆ seats are marked where you can sit
- ◆ please observe 1.5 m social distancing when coming forward for communion
- ◆ distribution of communion is strictly **BY HAND** only
- ◆ no 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.

### VIEW MASS AT HOME -

*There are several options to tune into Mass at home when you can't join us:*

- Bishop Greg continues to online-stream Sunday Mass on the [Diocesan YouTube](#) channel - 9:00 am.
- Freeview TV - Channel 10 Sunday 6 am

### 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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Agents: ALG/Egan Simpson Solicitors: 15 Prince Street, Murwillumbah.