Sacred Heart Catholic Parish



PARISH CHURCHES

Church of the Sacred Heart Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

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6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 13 February 2022

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Not bad but good

A small boy once asked me what has been the most pertinent question I've ever been asked in my more than 50 years as a priest. The children were being prepared for Easter and reflecting on the events of Holy Week when the boy suddenly launched into a second question:

"Why do we call it *Good* Friday when it was such a bad Friday?"

Mind you, it was not the first time I'd been asked that question. But it was clear that his question had sparked the interest of the whole class and, to begin with, I could only congratulate him on asking it. I agreed with him that his assessment was correct: the day on which Jesus suffered his Passion and Death was a dreadful day and would have remained so but for Easter Sunday.

St Paul could not be more explicit when he tells us in his first letter to the Corinthians: "If Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins." Everything depends on the resurrection: without the resurrection nothing makes sense but in the light of the resurrection all that Jesus teaches us becomes life-giving.

The Old Testament prophets, like Jeremiah, continually invited their people to reflect on the importance of putting their trust in the Lord. The perennial temptation down through the ages is that we are inclined to put our trust in ourselves and imagine that it is our world and that we can sort everything out.

Jesus goes a step further, suggesting that our human way of thinking and acting needs to be turned on its head. In their gospels, both Matthew and Luke give us the Beatitudes: this is Christ's new charter for his followers and it takes us way beyond the Old Testament charter, the Ten Commandments. Now we are invited to think about what makes us ready for the kingdom of God. It is when we are poor, hungry and in distress that we are more prepared to recognise our need of God and experience the power of his presence.

Indeed, Paul grasps this when he reminds us that "if our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people." Our hope is precisely that everything is being redeemed in Christ, but more than that, it is that already we are living the new life which Jesus won for us through his Passion Death and Resurrection.

The ultimate paradox of the Christian life is that Jesus entered into the world as it is and entered into the pain of suffering and death. Through his Passion and Death, he breaks through their hold on us and frees us for our own resurrection. The cross becomes a triumph (we even have a feast for this in September) and Bad Friday becomes Good Friday.

Tim Buckley CSsR @Magellan Media 2022

This week in the Parish 13-20 February

Saturday 12	6:00pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 13	6th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Year C
	8:00 am - Mass
	10:00 am - Mass
	12 noon - Baptism
Tuesday 15	4:30 pm - Hour of Prayer
	5:30 pm - Mass
Wednesday 16	10:00 am - Catholic Men's Group (see note below)
	12:00 pm - Requiem Mass for Ursula Dowling
	4:30 pm - Hour of Prayer
	NO 5:30 pm - Mass
Thursday 17	8:15 am - Mass
Friday 18	No Mass today
Saturday 19	6:00pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 20	7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Year C
	8:00 am - Mass
	10:00 am - Mass
The Sacred Heart Prayer Chapel is open for private prayer each weekday	

from 9 am - 3 pm



RECONCILIATION Saturday: 5.30 pm - 5.50 pm Sunday: 8.30 am - 8.50 am

WEDNESDAY WORD

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Max Clark (brother of Sylvia Quan), Matthew Reynolds, Cheryl Hannan, Ursula Dowling, Guilio Battacio, Guillier Inojales, Michael Burke

ANNIVERSARIES:

Monsignor Jerome O'Rourke (PP 1964-1975), Fr Frank O'Gorman (PP 1975-1988), Fr James O'Rourke, Pat Grant, Bob Flanagan, Mary Lazenby

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Fr Anthony Lemon, James Wallace

Readings for this Sunday and next week: **6TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - Year C** Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26 7TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - Year C 1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

READING ROSTER | YEAR C

12/13 Feb | 6th Sunday Ordinary Time

- 6 pm Lisa Dusi-Fox
- 8 am Philomena Zambelli
- 10 am Mary-Ann Thackray

19/20 Feb | 7th Sunday Ordinary Time

6 pm - Mike Brennan

- 8 am -Barbara Cook
- 10 am Ed Egan

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY



BAPTISM:

Please welcome Lulu Catherine Anne Malone to our faith community.

CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP

February morning tea Wed 16 Feb | 10:00 am Murwillumbah Services Club Enquiries: Alex Lever 0458 817 021

ALL MEN ARE WELCOME

Wearing of masks is mandatory

RECONCILIATION DURING LENT

11:30 am - 11:50 am Friday: Saturday: Sunday:

5.30 pm - 5.50 pm 8.30 am - 8.50 am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of each month 11 am - 11:50 am

HOUR FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Each Tuesday & Wednesday from 4:30 pm

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.

2022 LENTEN PROGRAMME 'Remember'



Remember - a six week Lenten resource for individual, small groups, staff reflections and families, and published by the Diocese of Wollongong.

It also includes daily reflections from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday.

Short daily reflections and longer-form Sunday reflections, questions and prayer perfect for individual devotional reading.

Lenten books are available at the Parish Office and the Sacred Heart Church -\$10.00 each.

Bishop Greq's Lenten Talk Series continues!

THE SPIRITUALITY OF ST JOHN

OF THE CROSS:

St John of the Cross teaches us how to live authentically in the real world and in the presence of God. He shows us how to love and how to pray.

Bishop Greg's talks will be held on Thursdays and will begin at 6pm at St Carthage's Cathedral:

Thursday 3 March

Thursday 10 March

Thursday 17 March

Thursday 24 March

It will be live on the YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/c/LismoreDioceseAU All are most welcome!

SAFEGUARDING AWARENESS TRAINING

Wednesday 16 February 2022 |10:00 am - 11:30 am Monday 21 February 2022 | 10:00 am - 11:30 am Parish Administration Centre – morning tea provided | no cost

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Join our online forum at 5.30pm AEDT on Thursday 17 March, attend our and engage with a panel of Palms most experienced Program Participants.



As part of our continued commitment to safeguarding all people in our community, especially children, young people and vulnerable adults, we invite all parish volunteers to attend one of our special "small group' Safeguarding Awareness training sessions facilitated by Shelley Bell from the Lismore Diocese Safeguarding Office.

All workers, including clergy, employees and volunteers in the parish are required to undertake this level 1 safeguarding training. This is especially relevant for volunteers who are involved in sacramental program, children's liturgy, and home visitation.

If you are able to attend one of the two sessions above, please contact the Parish Office on Monday 14 February to register – each session will be limited to 6-8 participants.

If you cannot attend one of these initial sessions, additional dates will be made available in early March - please let us know your availability to attend - we can arrange afternoon or evening sessions or Saturday morning if necessary, so that we can ensure all our volunteers are up to date with this essential training.

Don't know if you need to attend or not? Please phone Mary-Ann in the Parish Office to discuss.

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C RESPONSORIAL PSALM (PS 1) R: Happy are they who hope in the Lord. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, Alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great

in heaven. Alleluia!

ASH WEDNESDAY

2ND MARCH

MASS TIMES:

7:30 am - Sacred Heart Church 5:30 pm - Sacred Heart Church

MASS ATTENDANCE What you need to know ...

Please DO NOT ATTEND MASS if you are unwell or have any cold or flu-like symptoms.

QR check in on arrival is still required for places of worship.

Masks are mandatory inside for everyone over 12 years of age, subject to exemptions. Please continue to use the hand sanitiser provided.

Singing as a congregation is discouraged at the moment.

Distribution of communion remains strictly **BY HAND** only. When coming to receive communion, please proceed in single file.

All Masses will continue to be celebrated in the Sacred Heart Church. Country churches remain closed.

We will still maintain a covid-19 safety plan for the foreseeable future.

Thank you all for your care and consideration of each other. 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 <u>Diocesan YouTube</u> 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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