Sacred Heart Catholic Parish



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13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -Year C

26 June 2022

The road to Jerusalem

One of the more enduring genres of film in recent decades has been the road movie. The plot typically involves two or more companions who embark on a long and arduous road trip, either on foot or by planes, trains and automobiles.

The companions are on a shared quest to find home, seek a new home or, simply, to find themselves in their wanderings. Film historians have noted that the road movie is a post-war phenomenon, capturing the zeitgeist of a world trying to redefine itself in the wake of dislocation, death, and the dismemberment of old national identities. The '*Road to...*' films starring Bing Crosby and Bob Hope, which began during the Second World War, featured nomadic characters, ex-sailors or ex-soldiers, trying to make a fast buck in far flung corners of the world, including Australia.

More recent films of this genre focus on a new breed of exsoldiers, battle-worn veterans of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, who wander the countryside righting wrongs and challenging corruption in high places through force of arms and violence. The gospels read like scripts for a road movie. Their central protagonist, Jesus, leaves home on a great journey through the occupied territories of Roman Palestine. He gathers a group of companions to join him in battling injustice, sinfulness, and sickness. But, unlike the more recent road movie hero, Jesus does not triumph by force of arms or violence. Rather, he conquers prejudice and fear by standing up peacefully for justice and charity.

Today's gospel reading (Luke 9:51-62) captures something of this in its vision of Jesus being "resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem" (Lk 9:51), where he will meet his death at the hands of the powerbrokers of this world. This episode marks an important turning point in Luke's story. From this event onwards until Jesus enters Jerusalem (Lk 19:28), Jesus travels with his disciples, teaching them and preparing them to understand his death and resurrection. Like Jesus, his companions are called to leave their homes and families, take to the road, and pursue a heroic and seemingly ill-fated cause (Lk 9:57-62).

On one level, this story can be understood in literal terms. There are those who are called to a religious or priestly vocation of celibacy and obedience, to a life without a home, spouse or children. On another deeper level, however, this story speaks to the essential Christian challenge to "repent", submit to a radical change of mind and heart (*metanoia*), and seek a new path in life no matter what obstacles one might encounter. This is the ironic message that lies at the heart of all great road movies, especially that of Jesus.

One must be willing to push beyond the comfortable and familiar in search of one's true home. If we want fulfilling lives and just societies, then we must spend our life's-journey in making heroic, self-sacrificing efforts "to serve one another through love" (Gal 5:13).

This week in the Parish

Sunday 26	13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Yr C PETER'S PENCE & APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA SUNDAY 8:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Mass 11:15 am - Baptism
Tuesday 28	5:30 pm - Mass
Wednesday 29	Sts. PETER and PAUL, apostles 5:30 pm - Mass
Thursday 30	8:15 am - Mass 12 noon - Legion of Mary - Parish Meeting Centre
Friday 1 July	Exposition - because of Requiem Mass today Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is cancelled 12:30 pm - Requiem Mass for Pat Flack
Saturday 2	9:00 am - Rosary - Sacred Heart Church 6:00 pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 3	14тн SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Yr C Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Reconciliation: 7:30am - 7:50pm 8:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Mass

HOUR FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Each Tuesday & Wednesday from 4:30 pm

WEDNESDAY WORD

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

RECONCILIATION

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



Children's Liturgy this Sunday is held at the 8am Mass each week.

All primary school aged children are welcome come along & join in.

BAPTISM: Please welcome Liam Morgan Reading to our faith community.



Consecration of Homes To Sacred Heart



Would you like to request your home to be Consecrated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus?

Please phone the Parish Office (6672 1118) to book in, and to arrange a time.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION



Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters.

Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters, thank you.

Envelopes are available in the Church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the children who received Holy Communion for the first time. What a wonderful celebration!

We thank parents, teachers and catechists who helped prepare the children for this special occasion. We also thank parishioners who served morning tea to the children, their families and parishioners.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Pat Flack, Betty Bridekirk, Sr Francesca Ryder, Nicoletta Zuecker, Alice Warne

ANNIVERSARIES: Ethel Dignan

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Leah Ryder, Maureen McCabe, Kay Bewes, Lachlan Gallagher, Baby Harry Partridge, Mark Hanna, Deb Craig, Fr Anthony Lemon, James Wallace

Reading Roster | Year C

2/3 July | 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 6 pm Margaret Mumford
- 8 am Philomena Zambelli
- 10 am Mary-Ann Thackray

Readings for the next week:

14 Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C Is 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20



10TH WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 22-26 June

"Family Love: a vocation and a path to holiness"

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world. This year the event is hosted by the Diocese of Rome with Pope Francis leading special celebrations. However, the Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022.

The World Meeting of families is intended to highlight family love as a vocation and as a way of holiness, so as to understand and share the profound and salvific meaning of family relationships in daily life.

Find out more at: www.family.catholic.org.au.

STS PETER & PAUL



On June 29 the Church celebrates the feast day of Sts. Peter & Paul. Together, the two saints are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom there.

Peter, who was named Simon, was a fisherman of Galilee. Jesus gave him the name Cephas (Petrus in Latin), which means 'Rock,' because he was to become the rock upon which Christ would build His Church. Peter led the Apostles as the first Pope and ensured that the disciples kept the true faith.

St. Peter spent his last years in Rome, leading the Church through persecution and eventually being martyred under Nero in the year 64. He was crucified upside-down at his own request, because he claimed he was not worthy to die as his Lord. He was buried on Vatican hill, and St. Peter's Basilica is built over his tomb.

Paul was the Apostle of the Gentiles. His letters are included in the writings of the New Testament, and through them we learn much about his life and the faith of the early Church.

Before receiving the name Paul, he was Saul of Tarsus, a Jewish pharisee who zealously persecuted Christians in Jerusalem. Scripture records that Saul was present at the martyrdom of St. Stephen.

Saul's conversion took place on his way to Damascus to persecute the Christian community there. Continuing on to Damascus, he was baptized. He took the name Paul and spent the remainder of his life preaching the Gospel tirelessly to the Gentiles of the Mediterranean world.

Paul was imprisoned and taken to Rome, where he was beheaded in the year 67. He is buried in Rome in the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls.

PLANNED GIVING RENEWAL 2022-2023

Give and it shall be given unto you, a full measure...overflowing." Luke 6:38

Thank you to everyone who donates financially to the Parish and Clergy Fund. Your continued support is much appreciated and helps us not just to keep the lights on but your donation enables us to strengthen our Parish mission to love God; to love others and to grow disciples in our local community.

If you are new to the Parish and would like to participate in our planned giving program, please contact the Parish Office. We welcome your support of the parish.

Planned Giving envelopes for 2022-2023 are ready for collection this weekend. Please note that many of you have been issued with a new Planned Giving Number – families who use planned giving envelopes have been reissued numbers between 1-120 and those using EFT for their planned giving now have reference numbers between 121-140.

We encourage you to pop your cash or planned giving envelope donations into the collection plates as you arrive at Mass or as you are leaving Mass as the plates are no longer "passed around".

Thank you again for your generous support of our parish and our priests.



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (15) R: You are my inheritance, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Expressions of Interest are invited for parishioners interested in Eucharistic Ministry for Holy Communion to the Sick and for Nursing Home Visitation.

Please email your expression of interest to Fr Peter Wood at <u>murwillumbah@lismore.catholic.org.au</u> for consideration.

Some training will be required for these roles and a Police/Criminal History Check and/or a Working with Children clearance may also be required. Vaccination records will also be required for clearance to visit nursing homes on behalf of the Parish.

Please consider becoming involved in this special ministry to the sick and vulnerable. It may be a ministry that you could share with a partner or a friend.

Christmas Carnival & Nativity Tableau 2022

Saturday 26 November 2022 is the date to save! After two years of covid restrictions, we hope to be able to bring back the Christmas Carnival and Tableau for our local community this year. We need your help to make it happen. If you are keen to be involved in any way, please contact the team in the Parish Office and tell us how you might be able to help.

LEGION OF MARY NEWS...

The Legion now has a new home (until further notice) due to the floods. We now meet at twelve noon in the Parish Meeting Centre, each Thursday. New members very welcome. Come & see what we do!

ORGAN RECITAL

Robert Eather

Organist | Christchurch Cathedral, Grafton

2:30 pm | Sunday 10 July All Saints Anglican Church \$18/\$12 entry

> Tickets at door or book online: www.trybooking.com/BZITL

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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