Sacred Heart Catholic Parish



PARISH CHURCHES

Church of the Sacred Heart Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -YEAR C | 2 October 2022

Faith is not measured by size

If you happen to take a road trip in the United States, you may see an advertisement for a local tourist attraction that is said to be the 'World's Largest', for example, the world's largest Thermometer or the world's largest Mailbox.

The world seems to have on an ongoing fascination with size; the bigger, the better.

When the Titanic was launched, she was the largest ship afloat. Today, the largest cruise ship, the Wonder of the Seas, is five times the size of the Titanic, catering for almost 7,000 guests in 2,867 staterooms. Dubai famously boasts the world's tallest building, the Burj Khalifa, which has 163 floors. Though not the tallest or largest in the world, Australia can lay claim to the largest stadium, the largest mall and the tallest building in the southern hemisphere. Taller and larger, for some, seems to be the hallmark for excellence and achievement.

However, size is not everything, as in today's gospel passage when the apostles ask for their faith to 'increase'. Jesus replied: *"Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, 'be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."*

Given that the mustard seed was one of the smallest seeds known to farmers at that time, this would have been a confronting answer for the apostles to hear. Was Jesus telling them that their faith can't even be compared to the smallness of a mustard seed?

Perhaps by taking Jesus literally and comparing their faith to the very small size of a mustard seed the apostles are missing Jesus' meaning. Faith is not measured so much by physical size, be it large or small, but more by the quality of the relationship in which it is expressed ... the relationship the apostles had with Jesus and with God, and the quality of the relationships they had with others.

So, just as it was for the apostles, as disciples and followers of Jesus it is the same for us today. We too are asked not to measure our faith by size but by the quality of our relationship with Jesus and God and the people with whom we meet, converse and interact each day.

Do we have faith in God to be with us, to walk with us especially through the tough and difficult times in our lives, and to trust that God will never abandon us? Yes, we do. As Christians our trust in God is built around our faith. It is a faith we should strive to live each day with our family, friends and the people around us.

This week in the Parish

Sunday 2	27тн SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Yr C Rosary - 7:30 am Reconciliation: 7:30am - 7:50am 8:00 am - Mass 9:00 am - Cuppa following 8am Mass 10:00 am - Mass
Monday 3	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - Parish Office Closed 9:00 am - Rosary & Prayers (see note below)
Tuesday 4	St Francis of Assisi Parish Office Closed No Mass today
Wednesday 5	5:30 pm - Mass
Thursday 6	8:15 am - Mass 12 noon - Legion of Mary - Parish Meeting Centre
Friday 7	Our Lady of the Rosary 11:00 am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00 pm - Mass
Saturday 8	Rosary - 5:30 pm Reconciliation: 5:30pm - 5:50pm 6:00 pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 9	28тн SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Yr C Rosary - 7:30 am Reconciliation: 7:30am - 7:50am 8:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Mass

HOUR FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

from 4:30 pm before Tuesday & Wednesday 5:30 pm Mass

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of each month

11 am - 11:50 am

Rosary

'The Rosary is prayed half an hour before each weekend Mass. Please join us in front of the tabernacle to pray for our parish and prepare for Mass.'

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Anne Sinclair, Leah Ryder, Monica McDonald, Glenda Newell, John Albury

ANNIVERSARIES:

Madonna Marshall, Jeanette Fuller

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Bev Guinea, Maureen McCabe, Mark Hanna, Deb Craig, Fr Anthony Lemon, James Wallace

Reading Roster | Year C

8/9 October | 28th Sunday in Ord Time

6 pm - Barbara Grant 8 am - Jan Bruce 10 am - Ed Egan

Readings for the next week: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C 2 Kg 5:14-17; 2 Tim 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

PARISH CUPPA Please join us for a Cuppa | Morning tea after 8am Mass this Sunday 2 October.



EVERYONE WELCOME!

ROSARY & PRAYERS for God's Precious Infants and the Unborn Child - Monday 3 October - 9am -Sacred Heart Church.

Pregnancy Help Line: 1300 139 313

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ROSARY IN THE PARK

Rosary in the Park will happen again this year. We will gather in Budd Park on Saturday 15th October a bit before 10am. After the Rosary we will share some refreshments together. Come and join us to pray for our beautiful country and our leaders.

- Philomena Zambelli

Rosary Statue Blair Richmond



We 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.



College Library/Learning Hub | Can't make the meeting but happy to help? Please call the Parish Office 6672 1118 to let us know how you can help

VACANCY | CHAPLAIN ROLE IN KEMPSEY

We are seeking applications for a role within the Diocese, a Catholic Chaplain who will be supporting the Mid north Coast Correctional Centre in Kempsey, NSW. The Chaplain position is 70 hours a fortnight, however part-time will also be considered. The suitably qualified Chaplain will provide high quality transformational pastoral care and spiritual support to inmates, their families/carers, and staff.

Access <u>EthicalJobs.com.au</u> - <u>Employer Portal</u> to obtain more information and to apply online for the role or alternatively email your resume to jobs@lismore.catholic.org.au or call the People and Capability Advisor on 02 6621 9444. The closing date for this role is 23 October 2022.

A message from:

Aid to the Church in Need 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



Preach the word of God wherever you go, even use words if necessary. - St Francis of Assisi

OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

In three weeks' time, Catholic Mission will share an opportunity for you to partner with the Church in Ethiopia as it builds a new and exciting community project to help address malnutrition in rural communities like Emdibir.

This work simply will not be possible without your support – we hope you will accept this invitation to make a real and lasting impact for those in need.

Envelopes will be available in the church in the coming weeks.

Help build brighter futures for communities in Ethiopia this World Mission Month.

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







27th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - C

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (Psalm 94)

R: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Parish Office will be closed Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th October. To reopen 9am Wednesday 5th October.

2022 HSC EXAMS

Please remember in your prayers the students who commence their **Higher School Certificate** examinations on Wednesday 12th October.

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him. - Lamentations 3:25

An Update from the Parish Finance Council

Parish Finance Council Members met last weekend to review the parish assets and to revisit the parish strategic management plan.

On 20 October members of the Parish Finance Council will meet with the Parish Pastoral Council to discuss the various matters under consideration.

Following this meeting with the Pastoral Council, further information will be provided to all parishioners and a general meeting will be held to talk about the future plans for the parish assets.

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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