

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

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St. Columba's Church

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**30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -
YEAR C | 23 October 2022**

Pride and prejudice

Today's reading from Luke's gospel continues Jesus' teaching on prayer. It relates one of Jesus' best-known parables, the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector. As with all of Jesus' parables, it turns our expectations upside down!

Luke begins by noting that "*Jesus spoke this parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else.*"

Jesus speaks first of the Pharisee as a good and upright man, not greedy, dishonest, or adulterous, who in his fasting and alms-giving does even more than the religious laws required. He is indeed a model of obedience to the Law. By no means does Jesus condemn him.

The tax collector, on the other hand, is by no means a virtuous man. He is despised as a collaborator with the occupying Roman oppressors and for his often fraudulent and extortionist practices in the process of his tax collecting. He was the lowest of the low in society, reviled by all. But Jesus turns our expectations upside down, teaching us that it was not "the good man" whose prayer is pleasing to God! It was the tax collector, not the Pharisee, who "went home justified," whose prayer found favour with God. Why? The Pharisee, for all his moral superiority, was a sinner, but he didn't recognise it.

His sinfulness is his lack of humility, his pride, and, moreover, his lack of compassion and his condescending and prejudicial attitude towards others.

Jesus also notes that, in his prayer, the Pharisee is speaking "to himself," not to God. The Pharisee was virtuous in his attention to the many requirements of the law; but not in his attitude to others or to God. The tax collector, by contrast, does not even dare to raise his eyes to heaven when he prays. Without a trace of self-righteousness or self-justification, he humbly prays to God, "O God, be merciful to me a sinner." It is his humble and heartfelt prayer that finds God's favour.

Jesus concludes the parable with the teaching: "*For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.*" *Jesus himself, Lord and God, is the supreme exemplar, humbling himself even to death of a cross.*

For every person the parable urges us – as individuals and as a community and society – to humility, humility in our relationship with God and in our relationships with each other. It calls us to an ever-deeper integrity in our lives: to be ever mindful of our own sinfulness, our faults and failings, and wary of a tendency to be judgemental and lacking in compassion in our attitudes towards others. And it calls each one of us, no matter our station in life, to authenticity in our prayer, the humble acknowledgement of our reality as sinners, utterly reliant on God's merciful and forgiving love.

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This week in the Parish

Sunday 23	30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Yr C Rosary - 7:30 am Reconciliation: 7:30am - 7:50am 8:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Mass
Tuesday 25	5:30 pm - Mass
Wednesday 26	5:30 pm - Mass
Thursday 27	8:15 am - Mass 11:00 am - Funeral prayers for Bill Pendergast Tweed Valley Chapel 12 noon - Legion of Mary - Parish Meeting Centre
Friday 28	12:00 pm - Mass
Saturday 29	Rosary - 5:30 pm Reconciliation: 5:30pm - 5:50pm 6:00 pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 30	31ST 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

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:

Bill Pendergast, Alex Montgomery (Great-nephew Margaret Traves), Leanne Dempsey, Narelle Holstein

ANNIVERSARIES:

Moya Tunsted, Archdeacon John Dalton (1st PP Murwillumbah 1903-1911), Monsignor John Henry FitzPatrick (PP Murwillumbah 1936-1963)

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

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

READING ROSTER | YEAR C

29/30 October | 31st Sunday in Ord Time

6 pm - Lisa Dusi-Fox
8 am - Kay Ryder
10 am - Ed Egan

Readings for the next week:

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C

Wis 11:22 - 12:2; 2 Thess 1:11 - 2:2; Lk 19:1-10

ROSARY STATUE

Trish & Michael Jandura



CHILDREN'S LITURGY is held at the 8 am Mass each week.

All primary school age children welcome to come along and join in.

2022 HSC STUDENTS

Please remember in your prayers all Year 12 students as they continue their Higher School Certificate examinations this week.



MASS OF THE ANGELS

9.00am Saturday 12 November
Sacred Heart Church

A special Mass for families to remember their children who have died at, or before birth, or as young children.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Temporary/Casual position for a Cleaner at MSPC for 4 - 6 hours per weekday until 16/12/22.

Must have a current Working With Children Check. Contact Mary-Anne McShane 0419431630

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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.

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY



This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones.

The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir.

When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, like Neela's*, so that babies like Ajani* can be healthy and strong.

Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope provided | Freecall 1800 257 296 | online at catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia

Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world. *Name altered to protect identity

Thank you for your prayerful support and generosity.

Parish Assembly

Fr Peter together with the Parish Finance Council & the Parish Pastoral Council invite all parishioners to a special meeting to discuss the future direction of our Parish
**Wednesday 9 November 2022
6 pm in the Sacred Heart Church.**

Administering the Eucharist on the tongue.

We ask that as far as possible those who receive on the tongue come after those who receive on the hand. This is for the safety of the person distributing communion and those later in the queue.

If communion is given on the tongue, we suggest the person distributing sanitise hands after communion. Please note that we are also *trailing* a kneeler (located just near the front pew on the right) for those who wish to kneel to receive Communion.

We will ring out our joy at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God | Psalm 19:6

Sacred Heart Parish and Parish Schools

Christmas Carnival & Nativity Tableau Saturday 26 November 2022 from 4 pm

Your help is needed please
for fete stalls and food stalls.

How can you help?

- volunteer to run or help on a stall or with children's activities
- donate items for the various stalls
- cakes & sweets | produce | plants | craft | bottles | mini cent auction
- help on the food stalls
- help on the chocolate wheels
- buy raffle tickets | online and paper tickets will be available
- working bees on the Saturday and Sunday to set up and clean up

Please call the Parish Office 6672 1118 or email murwillumbah@lismore.catholic.org.au to let us know how you can help

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (Psalm 32)

R: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

MASS TIMES

ALL SAINTS DAY

TUESDAY, 1 NOVEMBER

5:30 PM MASS in Sacred Heart Church

ALL SOULS DAY

WEDNESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER

5:30 PM MASS in Sacred Heart Church

For everyone who exalts himself
will be humbled, but the man who

humbles

himself will be exalted

Jesus, Luke 18:14

PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS ...

The **next meeting** of the Parish Pastoral Council will be held on **Thursday 3 November at 5:30 pm**.

The **agenda for the meeting will be set on Thursday 27 October**. Any matters that you, our Parishioners, would like to be considered for the agenda should be sent by email to banner@onthenet.com.au or placed in the PPC box in the church no later than Wed 26 October.

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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