

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish



PARISH CHURCHES

Church of the Sacred Heart

Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

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St. Brigid's Church

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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

14 January 2024

Listening to the Lord

What are we looking for? What is it we want? They're good questions to ask ourselves occasionally, or indeed, have put to us. It's what Jesus asks Andrew and his friend in the gospel. They respond with another question: 'where do you live?'

It seems they want to learn from him, but implicit in their question are other questions like, who are you and what are you on about, and where do you abide? Jesus responds saying, 'come and see'. They're pretty much the first words spoken by Jesus in John's gospel and it's an invitation: we're invited to do the same.

We might invite those looking for some meaning in their lives to come and see us. Come and see how we relate to one another and welcome newcomers into our church. Are we able to see him in how we relate to one another? Does Jesus abide with us, because this is his promise, if only we are open to it.

The next day Andrew goes to tell his brother Simon that he has met the Messiah. The day before he had addressed Jesus as Rabbi, now he unexpectedly discovers the truth in what John the Baptist has said, that Jesus is the anointed one, the one on whom the Spirit rests. It's not Peter who calls Jesus the Messiah but Andrew. He's the one who brings people to Jesus; he has the gift of inviting us to come and see. Indeed, the only time he's mentioned in the gospels is in the company of others. We might recognise him in the life of the parish.

Then, when Andrew brings Simon to Jesus he gives him a new name! It indicates a real change in his life, a new relationship with God, a new purpose. However, the 'rock' doesn't emerge till much later because he's as impetuous as ever throughout the gospels, but Jesus sees in him a steadfastness, and similarly, in each one of us. It's the transforming power of God at work in our lives.

In the first reading the Lord comes to the young Samuel who, aided by Eli, is enabled to hear him and take to heart his word. He doesn't dismiss what he hears, but listens to the Lord. Like Jesus, he is the one who listens. As ever, it's the Lord who takes the initiative in coming to us and we have only to respond to his call, wherever we hear it, however unexpectedly.

Finally, in the second reading, Paul lays great store by the body. Our bodies matter to him. Indeed, they're the temple of the Holy Spirit he says, for where else could we experience the Spirit but, in the body, which means not just our own bodies but together in the Church, the body of Christ, we are enabled to do the will of the Lord and, in doing so, to follow him and abide with him. In this is our promise of glory.

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This week in the Parish

Saturday 13	5:30 pm	-	Rosary
	6:00 pm	-	Vigil Mass
Sunday 14	2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B		
	8:30 am	-	Rosary
	9:00 am	-	Mass
Friday 19	1:30 pm	-	Catholic Women's Group - note below
Saturday 20	9:30 am	-	Rosary
	5:30 pm	-	Rosary
	6:00 pm	-	Vigil Mass
Sunday 21	3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B		
	8:30 am	-	Rosary
	9:00 am	-	Mass

PLEASE NOTE:

There are NO weekday Masses or Adoration during January.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 5.30 pm - 5.50 pm

Sunday: 8.30 am - 8.50 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.

WEDNESDAY WORD

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Paul Hookway, Frank McGrouther, Barbara Burton, Tony Simpson, Jim Larkin, Noel McDonald, John Irby, Irene Hall, Rita Daly, Kerry Alcock

ANNIVERSARIES:

Flora Norris

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Violet Albury, Margaret Traves, John Lee, Wendy Bolden, Margaret Hyde, Lorraine Green, Colin Brooks, Kathy Dawson-Malone, David Burke, Malcolm Reid, Paul Calvino, Maureen McCabe, Fr Anthony Lemon, James Wallace

READINGS | ROSTERS

READINGS FOR TODAY & NEXT SUNDAY:

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1 Sam 3:3-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20;

Jn 1:35-42

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

READING ROSTER

20/21 Jan | 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | B

6pm - Christine Wightley

9am - Bernard Nolan

ALTAR SERVER ROSTER

To resume on 3/4 February

ROSARY STATUE

14 Jan | Narelle Gear

21 Jan | Philomena Zambelli 28 Jan | Anne Palmer

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP

Afternoon tea

Friday 19 January | 1:30 pm |

Mountainview Retirement Village

Community Centre

RSVP Wed 17 January: Barbara Cook:

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ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME

Often the greatest talents lie unseen.

-Latin Proverb.

Pope's Mission Intention for January...

For the gift of diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

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.

VIEW MASS AT HOME -

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

- Freeview TV - Channel 10 Sunday 6 am
- Bishop Greg's online-stream Sunday Mass will resume in February

ENTRANCE HYMN | John Bell / Graham Maule

THE SUMMONS

Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you
and you in me?

OFFERTORY HYMN | Anne Kelly

MICAH'S THEME

**Hear then what God asks of you:
to live justly, to love tenderly,
and to walk humbly with your God.**

I have come that you may have life;
and have it to the full.

Ask and you shall receive;
knock and it shall be yours.

Father, your Kingdom come;
may your will be done.

Take up your cross, follow me;
you shall share my life.

I am with you always;
until the end of time.

COMMUNION HYMN | Jacques Bertier

EAT THIS BREAD

**Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst.**

I am the bread of life,
the true bread sent from the Father.
Your ancestors ate manna in the desert,
but this is the bread come down from heaven.

Eat my flesh and drink my blood,
and I will raise you up on the last day.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.

If you believe and eat this bread
you will have eternal life.

Recessional Hymn | John Bell / Graham Maule

THE SUMMONS

Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?

Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?

Will you let me answer prayer in you
and you in me?

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BACK TO SCHOOL DATES

MT ST PATRICK COLLEGE

Wednesday 31 January: Yrs 7, 11 & 12 return
and new students in Yrs 8, 9 & 10.

Thursday 1 February: Yrs. 8, 9 & 10 return

MT ST PATRICK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monday 5 February: Yrs. 1 - 6

Wednesday 7 February: Kinder commences

ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monday 5 February: Yrs. 1 - 6

Wednesday 7 February: Kinder commences

PLANNED GIVING

Planned Giving contributions may be made by
electronic funds transfer. If you would like to make
contributions by EFT, bank A/C details are:

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**Thank you to everyone who supports the
Planned Giving Programme.**

New contributors are always welcome. Contact the
Parish Office on 6672 1118 for more information.

JOSEPHITE CALENDARS

2024 Josephite Calendars are on sale
in the Church. Only a few left. \$10.00 each.



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2ND SUNDAY IN ORD TIME - YEAR B RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (PS 30)

R: Here am I, Lord, I come to do your will.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ,
who brings us truth and grace.**

Alleluia!

FRIDAY 26 JANUARY | AUSTRALIA DAY

Mass times in nearby parishes

Kingscliff - 9 am | Tweed Heads - 9:10 am

There is NO Mass in Murwillumbah



REFLECTION...

As disciples, we are encouraged to 'come and see'

"...the Saviour has a personal call for each one of us to become his 'disciple'... It is important that we seek that incomparable intimacy with the Saviour that is our birthright through baptism – not relating to him as a remote figure, but confidently sharing our lives, in all their complex tangles, with him. Today's story of the two disciples encourages this trust and confidence. Encouraged by the Baptist, they approached Jesus; he gave them a warm welcome – 'Come and see;' and they spent the rest of the day with him."

by Fr John Thornhill

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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