

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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SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

YEAR B | 31 March 2024

Professing our faith in a broken world

War, disease, famine, and economic uncertainty are part of our daily news. The global scenario is depressing, and we feel for the numerous civilian victims. What can we do and how can we respond as we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord?

Our primary response must be one of hope even in the midst of these global catastrophes. Our hope is based on the fundamental Christian belief that Jesus Christ rose from the dead and without this belief our faith is futile, and we are a people living with a delusion.

Despite the work of the 'masters of suspicion': Karl Marx, Sigmund Freud and Friedrich Nietzsche who proposed respectively that religion was "the opium of the people," "an illusion," and that "God is dead," these critiques need to be addressed in our lives and our response is based on the scriptures and our lived experience.

John's gospel tells us the story of Mary of Magdala who came to the tomb early in the morning and saw the stone removed. She ran to Simon Peter and the other disciples to tell them the news. Simon Peter and the 'beloved disciple' ran to the tomb and the younger man waited until Simon Peter arrived and entered the tomb.

He saw the linen cloths on the ground and the cloth that had been over his head. Peter sees the fact that there is no body and observes the details, but the 'beloved disciple' then entered the tomb and we hear that "he saw, and he believed." Peter is the leader of the followers of Jesus, but the unnamed 'beloved disciple' is the model disciple and believer.

While Mary of Magdala is the bearer of the news, it is Peter who proclaims the good news to the household of the Gentile Cornelius and his household. The message of Jesus is not just good news for the Jews but good news for all people.

The good news has influenced the lives of many people who are sustained by their belief especially when they experience difficulties in their lives. They also bear witness by their lives to the difference that faith makes to our lives. Their example is a powerful witness to their children and grandchildren who need to address the issues raised by the 'masters of suspicion'.

In a climate of increasing relativism in our Catholic schools where there is limited sense of Catholic identity and mission, it is important that we profess our faith through the example of our lives and a continuing commitment to making a difference in our world. Our prayers for a broken world may not bring immediate change to those who are suffering but our commitment to solidarity with them is part of our Christian witness.

May we be inspired by the example of the 'beloved disciple' and bear witness to our belief and hope in the presence of God in our midst.

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This week in the Parish

Saturday 30 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

7:00 pm - Mass

Sunday 31 SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

9:00 am - Mass

APRIL

Monday 1 Parish Office is Closed today

Please note: Rosary & Prayers for God's Precious Infants and the Unborn Child has been moved to Monday 8 April at 9:30 am.

Tuesday 2 5:30 pm - Mass

Wednesday 3 5:30 pm - Mass

Thursday 4 5:30 pm - Mass

Friday 5 9:30 am - Legion of Mary | Parish Meeting Centre

11:00 am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12:00 pm - Mass

Saturday 6 6:00 pm - Vigil Mass

Sunday 7 **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Divine Mercy Sunday)**

9:00 am - Mass

10:00 am - Cuppa after Mass

10:30 am - Baptism

PRIVATE PRAYER

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

ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed on Saturday morning at 9:00 am. As well as half an hour before each weekend Mass.

WEDNESDAY WORD

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday 5 April
11 am - 11:50 am

PARISH OFFICE will be
CLOSED Monday 1 April
and will re-open 9am
Tuesday 2 April.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Deneille Wills, John Larkin, Jacinta Immisch, Richard Tartan, Dominic McCabe, Paul O'Connor, Patricia Walker, Frank Dusi

ANNIVERSARIES:

St John Paul II, Fr John Worthington

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Donna Pearson, George Flack, Joan Kean, 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

READINGS | ROSTERS

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year B (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

READING ROSTER

6/7 Apr | Second Sunday of Easter | B

6pm - Grace Molloy

9am - Kay Ryder

ALTAR SERVER ROSTER

Sat 6 April | Grace Severs & Yasmin van Rossi

Sun 7 April | Sienna Alexander



PARISH CUPPA | MORNING TEA

Please join us for a cuppa/morning tea after 9am Mass next Sunday 7 April.

EVERYONE WELCOME!

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA and DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The Divine Mercy Novena commenced on Good Friday.

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter (within the Easter Octave).



ROSARY STATUE

31 Mar | Paula Thornton

7 Apr | Trish Jandura 14 Apr | Lisa Dusi-Fox



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 continues to online-stream Sunday Mass on the [Diocesan YouTube channel](https://www.youtube.com/LismoreDioceseAU) - 9:00 am - [youtube.com/LismoreDioceseAU](https://www.youtube.com/LismoreDioceseAU)

BISHOP GREG'S EASTER MESSAGE 2024



Dear Brothers and Sisters

Throughout history, in every culture, humans have struggled with two questions: Why is there suffering? and, what is death? On Good Friday Jesus shares our suffering and like us dies. Amazingly the story does not end there. The next day is Holy Saturday when Jesus hovers in the space of death waiting for the Resurrection.

The Christian answer to suffering and death is Jesus Christ, and the key is Holy Saturday because the liminal experience between suffering and life is common to us all. This experience stretches us until we are able to look beyond ourselves. We recognize that we are not alone in this space. Grief and suffering open us to something greater than ourselves. We can find God, we can meet Jesus in our suffering and grief.

What seemed the end of the story opens us to life – the Resurrection.

I wish you a happy and blessed Easter.

Bishop Greg

HAPPY AND HOLY EASTER

to all parishioners
from Fr Peter, Fr Anthony, Fr Joseph
and the Parish staff.

May it be a time of special grace
for you and your families.

THANK YOU

A very special thank you to all
who participated in any way
in the Holy Week Ceremonies
& their preparation.

Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

SUNDAY 14 APRIL FOLLOWING 9.00 AM MASS

Father Peter and the Parish Pastoral Council invites all Parishioners to attend a workshop to provide input into writing a Sacred Heart Parish Vision and Mission Statement.

The Vision Statement focuses on where we are going as a parish community. What is our purpose? What is our goal?

The Mission Statement will express how our church will work towards meeting our Vision Statement. All parishioners' input is important in preparing these statements so we look forward to seeing you on the 14th.

Legion of Mary

invites you to

THE ANNUAL ACIES CEREMONY

Sunday 14 April

8:30 am Rosary & Legion Prayers

9am Mass

St Joseph's Church Tweed Heads
Contact Lesley Dowling 0419 143 117

ALL WARMLY WELCOME



Mt St Patrick Primary School

OPEN DAY

WEDNESDAY 10th APRIL 2024



ENROLLING NOW FOR 2025 – KINDERGARTEN

Tours of the school and Kindergarten classrooms available
9:00am – 1pm

Administration Contact: 02 6672 1821
30 Mooball St, Murwillumbah NSW 2484
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St Joseph's Primary School South Murwillumbah



OPEN DAY
WED 10 APRIL
9am-12pm
School tours
Open classrooms

Nestled in the shadows of Wollumbin, St. Joseph's has beautiful places to learn, play and grow. We are a vibrant school community, walking with children and their families in faith, learning and love.

St. Joseph's is a small, one-stream school where our teachers work together for the success and growth of every child. At our school, every child is known. We take a holistic approach to educating children, nurturing their wellbeing and faith development.

**ENROL NOW FOR 2025
Kindergarten and Years 1-6**

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SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (Ps 117)

R: This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.

SEQUENCE: (ALL READ)

Christians,
to the Paschal victim offer sacrifice and praise.
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
and Christ, the undefiled,
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.
Death with life contended:
combat strangely ended!
Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.
Tell us, Mary:
say what thou didst see upon the way.
The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!
The angels there attesting;
shroud with grave-clothes resting.
Christ, my hope, has risen:
he goes before you into Galilee.
That Christ is truly risen from the dead we
know. Victorious king, thy mercy show!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.
Alleluia!

EASTER SUNDAY | 31 March

Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for your continued support through Project Compassion. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, for all future generations.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2024 Lenten appeal.

You can still donate through Project Compassion donation envelopes available from your parish church, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.



A reminder ...
DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS
3 am SUNDAY 7 APRIL

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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