

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

Broadway, Burringbar

St. Columba's Church

Convent Lane, Uki

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10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR B - 9 JUNE 2024

Being vulnerable before God

When people hear the word 'myth', they often think 'fiction' or 'untrue'. However, in ancient times, myths – stories rich in symbols, expressions, and characters that were easily recognisable and familiar to audiences – were the primary way for people to ponder and talk about events and experiences that were important to them, but beyond their understanding.

In the Jewish-Christian tradition, the Book of Genesis uses a mythic story to portray the origin of sin. In today's first reading, we're invited to imagine a garden where there's complete harmony between man and woman, between humans and nature, and between humans and God. Peace and union are the hallmarks of this garden.

However, eating from the tree that gives full knowledge is forbidden. Despite God's warning, the woman and man know better! Tempted and seduced by the serpent, the woman eats the forbidden fruit and shares it with the man who also eats. Both think they can act independently of God and follow their own desires without proper discernment. Both fail to grasp the reality that human beings must live within limits.

Their eyes are opened, but rather than becoming like God, they become estranged and naked, fully exposed and vulnerable; which neither can handle. Afraid of God and ashamed of themselves, they sew fig leaves together to hide from each other and from God. Concealment, cover-up and discord are now the hallmarks of this garden.

This mythic story teaches us a fundamental truth about sin: that our lives and relationships become fractured and disconnected, and we're unable to face ourselves, God and others honestly and openly.

Thankfully, God doesn't abandon humanity in its shame and sinfulness. God takes the initiative and is portrayed walking in the garden seeking and searching for the fearful and hiding couple, who are unable to face the consequences of their choices. God asks, "Where are you?" It's not a threat, but a question from someone who cares deeply.

Like so many of us, rather than accept their fault, the woman and man look for excuses and try to justify themselves by blaming each other. The man blames: "the woman you (God) gave me." Of course, he doesn't blame the woman alone; he also indirectly blames God who had generously blessed him with a partner. On the other hand, the woman blames: "the serpent that tempted me." Neither of them says, I'm sorry, I'm wrong, it's my fault or please forgive me.

God created humanity with a capacity for freedom and self-determination, and at times we make wrong choices and poor decisions. By acknowledging our mistakes and wrong doing we maturely take the first step in accepting responsibility for our lives and choices, rather than blaming God or others.

Wherever we find ourselves in life and whatever struggles we're carrying, God is with us. Listen attentively to God's personal and loving question to each one of us today: "Where are you?"

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This week in the Parish

Sunday 9	10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B	
	8:30 am - Rosary	Parish Office will be Closed Monday 10 June
	9:00 am - Mass	
Tuesday 11	5:30 pm - Mass	
	7:00 pm - Baptism Preparation Meeting	
Wednesday 12	5:30 pm - Mass	
Thursday 13	8:15 am - Mass	
	5:30 pm - MSPC Adoration with Wildfire	
Friday 14	9:30 am - Legion of Mary Parish Meeting Centre	
	11:00 am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	12 noon - Mass	
Saturday 15	9:00 am - Rosary	
	5:30 pm - Rosary	
	6:00 pm - Vigil Mass	
Sunday 16	11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B	
	8:30 am - Rosary	
	9:00 am - Mass	
	10:00 am - Morning Tea with MSPC Doyle & Loreto	
	10:15 am - Baptism	

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

RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 5.30 pm - 5.50 pm
Sunday: 8.30 am - 8.50 am

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**
Fri 14 June 11am - 11:50am

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Brian Albury, Bill McDermott, James (Jim) Reynolds,
Wendy Bolden, Violet Albury, Pip Brown

ANNIVERSARIES:

Fr Eamonn Leonard (PP South Murwillumbah 1973-
1988)

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Ben Martin, Baby Levi Courtney, Barry Charman,
Pam Willock, Patrick Fox, George Flack, Joan Kean,
Margaret Traves, John Lee, Margaret Hyde, Lorraine
Green, Colin Brooks, Kathy Dawson-Malone, David
Burke, Malcolm Reid, Paul Calvino, Maureen McCabe,
Fr Anthony Lemon

READINGS | ROSTERS

READINGS FOR TODAY AND NEXT SUNDAY:

10TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME - Year B

Gen 3:9-15; 2 Cor 4:13 - 5:1; Mk 3:20-35

11TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME - Year B

Ezek 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

READING ROSTER

15/16 June | 11th Sunday in Ord Time | B

6pm - Christine Wightley

9am - MSPC

ALTAR SERVER ROSTER

Sat 15 June | Rose Seamer & Lily Daly

Sun 16 June | Charlotte Dowling & Sienna Alexander

ROSARY STATUE

9 June | Kay Ryder 16 June | Debbie Kaehler

23 June | Annette Lofts



CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP

June morning tea

Wed 19 June | 10:00 am | Mbah Services Club

Enquiries: Alex Lever 0458 817 021

ALL MEN ARE WELCOME

THE CATENIANS

GOLD COAST TWEED CIRCLE

Join the Catenian Association, enjoy the benefits of
membership and form long lasting friendships. We
meet on 3rd Thursday of each month. Why not come
along to one of our meetings and share a meal with us
- it might be just what you need! Your first dinner is
on us. No pressure to join if it's not for you.

South Tweed Sports Club | Thurs 20 June | 6 pm

Contact:

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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](https://www.youtube.com/LismoreDioceseAU) channel - 9:00 am -
[youtube.com/LismoreDioceseAU](https://www.youtube.com/LismoreDioceseAU)

ELECTION OF NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS ...

Having been in their roles since 2019 members of the Parish Pastoral Council believe that it is time to retire and be replaced with new members with fresh energy and ideas.

Parishioners are asked to recommend members of our parish community they consider would contribute, on behalf of all parishioners, to the ongoing life and development of the parish; you may also like to nominate yourself. It is not necessary to consult with the person/persons you are recommending as this will form part of the process once the nominations close.

Nomination forms are available at the front door of the church. Please place the completed form in the Recommendations Box provided or deliver in a sealed envelope marked PPC Nomination to the Parish Administration Centre.

Nominations close at 10.00am this Sunday 9 June 2024.



St Vincent de Paul Society Mary MacKillop Conference, Murwillumbah **2024 WINTER APPEAL**

Living in poverty is much harder in winter than in the warm summer months. Here in Murwillumbah our Mary MacKillop Conference sees and assists a wide range of ages - singles, couples, sole parents and families with children. Many are either in or facing homelessness, and very often those who do have somewhere to live are experiencing severe rental stress - so there is little or no money left for food or other essential living expenses after paying rent.

As we launch the 2024 Winter Appeal this weekend, and acknowledge with huge gratitude the generosity with which our community has responded in the past. Please consider donating again - the onset of winter means great hardship for many, and we are able to make things a bit better for those who seek our help. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible - but if you would like this, please make sure your name and address is provided.

At the Vigil and 9.00am Masses this weekend there will be a **"Bucket Collection"** for those who may be able to assist.

Envelopes are available for those who may like to donate later. They can be left at the Parish Office or placed on a collection plate at Mass.

Donate online: www.vinnies.org.au - BUT when you reach the option asking for 'Comments or Conference Name' please write "Murwillumbah 43-427" SO YOUR GIFT STAYS IN THIS AREA.

Thank you very much for anything you are able to do.

God is love, and whoever abides in love
abides in God, and God in him.
- 1 John 4:16

Sunday 16 June

9am Mass & Morning Tea

Mt St Patrick College students and teachers from **Doyle** and **Loreto** Houses will join us for Mass next Sunday 16 June.

Parishioners are invited to join the students from **Doyle** and **Loreto** for morning tea after Mass. **EVERYONE WELCOME!**

Wear your pinks and blues in support of **Doyle** and **Loreto**.



POSITION VACANT

Casual Cleaner

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish Murwillumbah

Applications are sought for the position of Casual Cleaner for our Churches and Parish Meeting Centre. This is a casual position working approximately 10-12 hours per fortnight.

Duties will include general cleaning of our churches and the parish meeting centre and annex. The position would suit an active person who respects the teachings of the Church and the ethos of the Parish and Diocese.

As per Diocesan policies, all parish workers paid for any role must undertake Safeguarding Awareness Training. A Working with Children Check and/or National Criminal History Check may be required.

If you would like more information about this position, please contact Mary-Ann Thackray, Parish Business Manager between 9 am to 3 pm weekdays

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Applications close Friday 21 June 2024

10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (129)

R: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

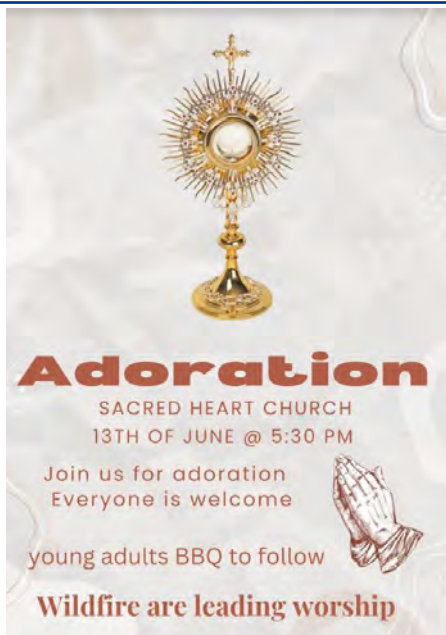
Alleluia, Alleluia!

The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

CONGRATULATIONS

to Fr Joseph Guinea who is celebrating the 14th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood this Tuesday 11 June.



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 (NICENE CREED)

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
(All bow during these two lines)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.

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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