

# 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

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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B - 7 JULY 2024

## Overcoming the pain of rejection

The three main characters in today's readings suffer rejection and humiliation. Their pain is summarised in today's Psalm: "Indeed, all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the proud man's disdain."

Sometimes, following God means being a witness to people who do not respect us or our faith. As the prophet Ezekiel hears in the first reading, the task of the faithful disciple is to keep witnessing to our faith, "whether they listen or not".

In the second reading, St Paul explains how he perseveres when he is confronted with rejection and humiliation. Paul's second letter to the Church in Corinth was motivated by a vicious attack on his ministry and reputation. Some within the community, who styled themselves as 'superapostles', disparaged Paul and his teaching. Instead, they boasted about the incredible visions and secret knowledge they had received, which proved their superiority over Paul.

Instead of trying to compete with his rivals' boasting, Paul brags about his own weaknesses and failures. Paul does not go into detail about what he means by the "thorn in his flesh." Theories have included health difficulties, reoccurring temptations, or difficult people around him.

Struggles like these that seem to get in the way of us trying to live out his faith should be familiar to all of us. However, Paul explains that God sometimes allows these obstacles in our lives because our weaknesses make the grace and love of Jesus most evident.

Instead of succumbing to the temptation to boast about his accomplishments, Paul uses his weaknesses to constantly remind himself of his dependence on God's power. Through his weaknesses, Paul learns about the self-sacrificial kind of service that God desires. As a result, God's presence and activity in Paul's life are even more present because of the weakness that appears on the surface. Paul is a better witness of God's power because he demonstrates with his life what Christ can do with any person in any situation.

Jesus himself embraces this way of living in today's gospel. Previous chapters of Mark's Gospel make Jesus seem unstoppable. Disease, demons and even death all give way before him. However, Jesus' mission appears to have stalled when he does not overcome Nazareth's lack of faith.

Perhaps Jesus could have forcefully displayed his power when he returned to Nazareth and broken down the barriers of unbelief. But what is a faith in God that is based on overpowering, dominating, and controlling? It would eliminate the opportunity for people to encounter God's love and mercy and for the spiritual change towards selfless love that God most desires.

Jesus most clearly proves that he is from God in his acceptance of suffering. His rejection by those closest to him is another step towards the cross, where he will demonstrate to the world and all history what God's love truly means.

Our weaknesses can invite us to deepen our loving relationship with God and invite others to encounter Jesus. Let us always.

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# This week in the Parish

Sunday 7	<b>14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B ABORIGINAL &amp; TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY</b>
	8:30 am - Rosary 9:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Parish Cuppa   Morning Tea
Tuesday 9	11:00 am - Funeral prayers for Patricia Reeve 5:30 pm - Mass
Wednesday 10	5:30 pm - Mass
Thursday 11	8:15 am - Mass
Friday 12	9:30 am - Legion of Mary   Parish Meeting Centre 12 noon - Mass
Saturday 13	9:00 am - Rosary <b>4:30 PM - ROSARY</b> <b>5:00 PM - VIGIL MASS - Please note: change of time</b>
Sunday 14	<b>15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B</b>
	8:30 am - Rosary 9:00 am - Mass 10:15 am - Baptism

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

**RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday: 4.30 pm - 4.50 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.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Patricia Reeve, Helen Neff, Ben Blacklock

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Patrick Guinea, Joan Davis, Gordy Batten,  
Sylvia Lazenby, Nathan Bewes

### THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Sr Francis-Claire, 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,

## READINGS | ROSTERS

### READINGS FOR TODAY AND NEXT SUNDAY:

#### 14TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME - Year B

Ezek 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6

#### 15TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME - Year B

Amos 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13

### READING ROSTER

**13/14 July | 15th Sunday in Ord Time | B**

**5pm** - Tim Waugh

**9am** - Kay Ryder

### ALTAR SERVER ROSTER

Sat 13 July | Rose Seamer & Lily Daly

Sun 14 July | Charlotte Dowling & Sienna Alexander

### ROSARY STATUE

7 July | Trish Jandura

14 July | Lisa Dusi-Fox 21 July | Narelle Gear



## PARISH CUPPA | MORNING TEA

Please join us for a Cuppa | Morning tea  
after 9am Mass this Sunday 7 July.

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

## CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP

July morning tea

**Wed 17 July | 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 18 July | 6 pm**

Contact:

Bernard Nolan 0419 023 108 | 02 6672 3733

Chris Gallagher 0428 416 288

## 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)



Pentecost painting by Magda Lee, Gracie Mosquito and Imelda Gugamen (Balgo Community)

## 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.*

## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday | 7 July Naidoc Week | 7-14 July

On this special celebration we gather as one community to honour and celebrate the rich cultural heritage and contributions of our First Nations Peoples to our Australian Catholic church.

The themes for 2024 are:

### Keep the Fire Burning: Strong in Faith -

are very much related and so necessary for those working for Reconciliation. Being strong in faith is to keep the fire deep within our hearts burning.

As Pope Francis reminds us, we are called to be a Church that goes forth, embracing all cultures and peoples. Let us open our hearts to the wisdom and spirituality of our First Nations Peoples, recognising the presence of Christ in our stories and traditions. May this celebration be a moment of grace, healing, and transformation for all of us.

May the Holy Spirit guide and bless each of us as we journey together in faith, hope, and love.

## CONSECRATION OF HOMES TO SACRED HEART



Would you like to request your home to be Consecrated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus?

Please phone the Parish Office (6672 1118) to book in, and to arrange a time.

## PRAYER CHAPEL...

A new digital lock has been installed on the Prayer Chapel.

If you would like a code to enable access to the Chapel, please contact the Parish Office during business hours and a code will be issued to you.

For security reasons and your own personal safety we ask that the Prayer Chapel is only accessed during daylight hours.

Entry to the Prayer Chapel is at your own risk.

Please ensure that the door is locked as you leave the Prayer Chapel.

## PLANNED GIVING - 2024 | 2025

*Give and it shall be given unto you, a full measure... overflowing." Luke 6:38*

Thank you to everyone who donates financially to the Parish and Clergy Fund. Your continued support is much appreciated and helps us not just to keep the lights on but your donation enables us to strengthen our Parish Vision and Mission.

Planned Giving envelopes for 2024-2025 are ready for collection this weekend. Please note that some of you have been issued with a new Planned Giving Number – families who use planned giving envelopes have been reissued numbers between 1-75 and those donating by EFT have reference numbers between 100-140. Thank you again for your generous support of our parish and our priests.

EFT bank A/C details are:

**Collection – FOR OUR PARISH** | BSB: 062 580 | Account No: 0090 4506

Account Name: Catholic Church Murwillumbah

**Collection – FOR OUR CLERGY** | BSB: 062 580 | Account No: 0090 5461

Account Name: Presbyterium Account Murwillumbah Parish

*Please include your surname or Planned Giving number as a reference on your deposits.*

If you are new to the Parish and would like to participate in our planned giving program, please contact the Parish Office. We welcome your support of the parish.

## 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (122)

**R: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**The Spirit of the Lord is upon me:  
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.  
Alleluia!**



MT ST PATRICK PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS



# OLYMPICS

## TRIVIA NIGHT

Join us for an evening of fun and friendly competition at our Mt St Patrick Primary 'Olympics' themed Trivia Night!

### SATURDAY 27<sup>th</sup> JULY

from 5:30pm in the Gilbey Centre

\$30 per person

8 people per table

MSPD School Admin  
Ph: (02) 6672 1821

*Time to train  
for the big event!*



Gather a team of 8 to book a table, or come along as a couple or with a few friends and be allocated a table. Bring cash for games and raffles on the night. Over \$2,000 in prizes!!

Presented by the legendary trivia host Simon Clark & DJ Patience Hodgson, the evening promises to be challenging, energetic & hilarious!  
Food trucks & an EFTPOS-only licensed bar will be providing delicious food & drinks for the night.  
No BYO, this is an over 18's event. Tickets are non-refundable but can be exchanged.

## 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.

## INVEST WITH PEACE OF MIND

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Agents: ALG/Egan Simpson Solicitors, 15 Prince Street, Murwillumbah.

