

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish



PARISH CHURCHES

Church of the Sacred Heart

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE | YEAR B 24 NOVEMBER 2024

A kingdom of justice, love and peace

What is the Kingdom of God? Gerald Darring, a retired high school and college teacher of theology, explains it this way:

“The Kingdom of God is a space. It exists in every home where parents and children love each other. It exists in every region and country that cares for its weak and vulnerable. It exists in every parish that reaches out to the needy.

The Kingdom of God is a time. It happens whenever someone feeds a hungry person, or shelters a homeless person, or shows care to a neglected person. It happens whenever we overturn an unjust law, or correct an injustice, or avert a war. It happens whenever people join in the struggle to overcome poverty, to erase ignorance, to pass on the faith.

The Kingdom of God is in the past (in the life and work of Jesus of Nazareth); it is in the present (in the work of the Church and in the efforts of many others to create a world of goodness and justice); it is in the future (reaching its completion in the age to come).

The Kingdom of God is a condition. Its symptoms are love, justice, and peace.”

The Kingdom of God, God's Reign in the world, is Jesus' central and urgent message. In proclaiming the Kingdom, Jesus announces that a new age has come and that the Reign of God is near – underway, but not yet complete. Jesus' proclamation of the Kingdom was so counter-cultural to those who heard him and witnessed his works that he was put to death on a cross.

Jesus' Kingship is a reversal of the Kingship of empire building. Instead of striving for power, prestige and privilege, Jesus seeks out 'excluded' or 'forgotten' people – for example, the leper, the adulteress, the sinner, the blind, the lame, and the Samaritan; people who were oppressed, put down, voiceless and seen to be worthless in the dominant culture of power, control and position. Jesus turns the lives of these 'little ones' around, loves them into life, and sets them on new paths of living, loving and relating.

In our time, who are the 'excluded' and 'forgotten', the demonised and condemned, the oppressed and abandoned, whom we are called to love into life? Called to love into life with love that affirms their dignity, love that breaks down the barriers of discrimination, love that heals and comforts, and love that is practical and hands on.

This week's Mass Preface describes Christ's Kingdom as one of “truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice, love and peace.” Such a Kingdom is not some 'pie in the sky' ideal or utopian dream. The Kingdom is a reality which may have small beginnings but has the potential to change the world and the way we live. And each of us has a role to play to bring about this reality wherever and with whom we find ourselves.

David J Hore CSsR © Magellan Media 2024

This week in the Parish

Sunday 24	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - B 8:30 am - Rosary 9:00 am - Mass 10:15 am - Baptism 11:00 am - Baptism
Tuesday 26	10:00 am - Advent Study Hope Reigns 10:30 am - Funeral prayers - Marie Ensby 5:30 pm - Mass
Wednesday 27	5:30 pm - Mass
Thursday 28	8:15 am - Mass
Friday 29	9:30 am - Legion of Mary Parish Meeting Centre 11:00 am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12 noon - Mass
Saturday 30	9:00 am - Rosary 4:00 pm - CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL 7:00 pm - NATIVITY TABLEAU NO VIGIL MASS
DECEMBER	
Sunday 1	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - C 8:30 am - Rosary 9:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Parish Cuppa Morning Tea

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,
are available in the Church.

**EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**
this Friday 11 am - 11:45 am

PLEASE NOTE:
There is **NO VIGIL MASS**
Saturday 30 November

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Michael Collins, Evelyn McGuinness, Marie Ensby, Terry Twohill, Trish Rickard, Bernard Simpson, Barry Grennan

ANNIVERSARIES:

Michael Bowe, Fr John Fitz-Walter

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Rita Anderson, Narelle Martin, Pam Willock, Patrick Fox, George Flack, Margaret Traves, Lorraine Green, David Burke, Malcolm Reid, Paul Calvino, Maureen McCabe, Fr Anthony Lemon

Names removed after a considerable time. Please assist the Parish Office by advising if you wish names to remain.

READINGS | ROSTERS

READINGS FOR TODAY AND NEXT SUNDAY:

CHRIST THE KING - Year B

Dan 7:13-14; Rev 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37:

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Year C

Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thess 3:12 - 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36:

READING ROSTER

30 Nov | 1 Dec | First Sunday of Advent | C

NO Saturday Vigil Mass

9am - Kay Ryder

ALTAR SERVER ROSTER

NO Saturday Vigil Mass

Sun 1 December | tba

ROSARY STATUE

24 Nov | Evelyn Cook 1 Dec | Igor & Gosia



BAPTISMS:

Please welcome

**Lula Lambert, Elsie & Ivy Story
& Alby Evans** to our faith community.



ANNUAL GENERAL REUNION

OF LEGION OF MARY

Saturday 7 December

9:30 am Legion Prayers | 10 am Mass

A light luncheon in Parish Hall/Library to follow.

ALL ARE WELCOME

'MASS OF ANOINTING'
10AM | SATURDAY | 14 DECEMBER
All Parishioners Are Welcome.

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)

2024 Parish Christmas Raffle

Supporting the pastoral works of the Sacred Heart Parish Murwillumbah

Buy Tickets | [online](#) | QR | paper

<https://rafflelink.com.au/christmas2024>

To be drawn at Parish Christmas Carnival & Tableau | 7:30 pm Saturday 30 November 2024

Cash Prizes
1st prize \$1,500 | 2nd prize \$500 | 3rd prize \$250

	\$2 1 ticket	\$6 3 tickets	\$10 5 tickets	\$20 12 tickets	
	\$30 20 tickets	\$50 35 tickets			

Reintroduction of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Following some concerns voiced by parishioners about the reception of Holy Communion, Fr Peter has decided to reintroduce Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at weekend Masses. Two Extraordinary Minister will assist Fr Peter and the Acolyte with the distribution of Holy Communion. The Extraordinary Ministers will distribute communion from the side aisles – one from in front of the Tabernacle and the other from in front of the Baptismal Font. People with health concerns are encouraged to attend the side aisles for Communion; or if you are unable to make your way to the side aisles, please sit or stand in your seat and the Acolyte will bring Communion to you.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Leo Kelly

who is celebrating his 88th birthday this week

From the Pastoral Council...

Advent is a time when we as Catholics are encouraged to focus more on our spiritual life to prepare for Christmas, the birth of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour. This Advent, The Catholic Guy is inviting people around the world to join a weekend [Advent Mission Event online Retreat](#) on 7-9 December and accessible online for all of Advent.

To find out more, the website link is: <https://TheCatholicGuy.com/missionevent>

St Vincent de Paul Society | Mary MacKillop Conference Murwillumbah CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Last Christmas instead of hampers, we give to those on our Christmas list, GIFT CARDS or VOUCHERS to enable them to purchase gifts, toys and festive food.

Please will you consider donating any of the following:

- ◆ **Gift cards or vouchers** – especially on outlets where gifts, toys or something special can be purchased;
- ◆ **Money** – can be left in a specially marked envelope for the Conference at Parish or School offices or Vinnies shop, or on a collection plate at Mass;
- ◆ **Donate online** to <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/christmas-appeal> BUT WHEN YOU REACH THE OPTION ASKING FOR ‘COMMENTS OR CONFERENCE NAME’ please write “**Murwillumbah 43-427**” so your gift stays in this area.
- ◆ **A QR code is on the church noticeboard** – using this QR code will take you straight to donations for Mary MacKillop Conference Murwillumbah

To give us time to get Christmas help to those who need it, we hope most gifts will be received by the end of November. Monetary donations over \$2 are tax deductible (but not giftcards). Thank you very much for anything you are able to do.

Denise Banner, President, Mary MacKillop Conference



CHRIST THE KING - B

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (92)

R: The Lord is King; he is robed in majesty.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

Hope Reigns | 2024 Advent Resource

Hope Reigns is a beautifully presented resource containing short daily reflections from the First Sunday of Advent through to Christmas Day.

\$8.00 each | available from the Church & Parish Office

Advent Study Group | Hope Reigns

4 x Tuesdays | 26 Nov-17 Dec | 10 am | Parish Office

All are Welcome!

**CHILDREN AT MASS
ARE A BLESSING**



We wish to assist in creating an experience that will support both you and your little ones to connect more deeply with the beauty and grace of the Mass.

In the past, we have enjoyed providing Children's Liturgy. If you would like this to start up again OR you have other ideas please place them in the suggestion box.



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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