

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish



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THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY) YEAR C | 2 NOVEMBER 2025

Embracing eternal life through Christ

On All Soul's Day the Church invites each of us to remember and pray for the souls of our dear ones who have gone before us and for those who have no one to remember them.

In the tradition of the Catholic Church, praying for the souls who have died is one way to ask for God's grace of forgiveness and mercy, so they may enter the Kingdom of God that He has promised. Our prayers to support the faithfully departed are important because *"nothing unclean shall enter heaven"* (Revelation 21:27). It is our fundamental belief that we are never truly separated when we are united in prayer.

Today's scripture readings invite us to discover God's mercy and His loving grace for the salvation of humanity. Salvation is the work of God and His graciousness. It is God's desire to save us all. With firm faith in Christ's resurrection, Christians believe that, in death, life is transformed, not destroyed.

The Book of Wisdom depicts that people who live righteously before God - even demonstrating their faithfulness when tested by various challenges - will be blessed. As human beings, we hope to enter God's Kingdom after we pass from this world. Thus, we ask the Holy Spirit for the gift of hope, because the state of the world and life's challenges and difficulties can cause us to despair and even lead us to believe there is nothing after death. But as Christians we believe that the undying hope for salvation will ultimately be rewarded by God himself, because *"hope does not disappoint"* (Rom 5:5).

St Paul, in his first letter to the Corinthians, summarises the essence of today's celebration by saying, *"in Christ all shall be brought to life."* Jesus Christ's resurrection brings life. Through His resurrection, death is destroyed. As Paul explains, *"the last enemy to be destroyed is death"* (1Cor 15:26).

Christ is the New Adam who brought life through death. Only in and through Christ Jesus will we be saved. Salvation is the pure grace and gift of God, and it calls for our human response of faith. The gospel highlights the relationship between faith and eternal life, as Jesus teaches, *"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life"* (John 6:40).

To enter eternal life requires faith, faith in Jesus as the Son of the Father who comes to show us the way to life. Jesus assures those who have faith and believe in him that they will experience resurrection and enjoy eternal life. This belief is the core of All Soul's Day.

So, with this celebration we come to the Lord in faith, praying that the souls of the dead, through God's mercy, may rest in peace. Amen.

Fr Bence Baoninang CSSR © Magellan Media 2025

This week in the Parish

Sunday 2	The COMMEMORATION of ALL the FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Soul's Day) - YEAR C 7:30 am - Adoration & Holy Door Open 8:30 am - Rosary 9:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Parish cuppa/Morning Tea 12:00 pm - Mass
Monday 3	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 9:30 am - Rosary & Prayers 10:00 am - Widows Widowers Morning Tea
Tuesday 4	8:00 am - Mass 11:00 am - Christian Meditation Group 12:00 pm - PARISH OFFICE CLOSED No Scripture Study Group today
Wednesday 5	8:00 am - Mass
Thursday 6	8:00 am - Mass
Friday 7	6:00 am - Adoration & Holy Door Open 9:30 am - Legion of Mary Parish Meeting Centre 12 noon - Mass 6:00 pm - Parish Choir practice
Saturday 8	9:00 am - Rosary 10:00 am - Mass of the Angels 5:30 pm - Rosary 6:00 pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 9	THE DEDICATION of the LATERAN BASILICA - YEAR C 8:30 am - Rosary 9:00 am - Mass 10:15 am - Baptism

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

PRIVATE PRAYER
8:30am - 9am after 8am
weekday Masses.
(Subject to change - depending
on activities in the Church)

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

WEDNESDAY WORD
Copies of Wednesday Word,
are available in the Church.

**EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**
Friday 7 November
6:00 am - 6:00 pm

ROSARY & PRAYERS for God's
Precious Infants and the Unborn
Child - Monday 3 November -
9:30 am - Sacred Heart Church.
Pregnancy Help Line:
1300 139 313

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fay Bryant, Bernard Maye, Carmen Dawson

ANNIVERSARIES:

Trish Rickard, Marie Ensbey

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Anne Daley, Gabrielle Hackenberg, Albert Albertini,
Maive Collett, Narelle Martin, Pam Willock, Patrick Fox,
Margaret Traves, Lorraine Green, David Burke, Paul
Calvino, Fr Anthony Lemon

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 is an option 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)



PARISH CUPPA | MORNING TEA

Please join us for a Cuppa | Morning tea
after 9am Mass this Sunday 2 November.

EVERYONE WELCOME!

READINGS | ROSTERS

READINGS FOR TODAY & NEXT SUNDAY:

ALL SOUL'S DAY - Yr C

Is 25:6-9; Ps 26; 2 Rom 5:5-11; Lk 7:11-17

DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17;

Jn 2:13-22

READING ROSTER

8/9 Nov | Dedication of Lateran Basilica

6pm - Grace Molloy

9am - Christine O'Brien

ALTAR SERVER ROSTER

8 Nov - Grace Severs

9 Nov - Nate Linkins & Scarlett Walker

ROSARY STATUE

2/11 Igor Iaszec & Gosia Lachtera

9/11 Dana Fuller



Its beginning to look a lot like Christmas Carnival time!!

just 5 weeks to go...how can you help?

DONATE ITEMS

Craft stall - any & all craft /art/sewing items
Plant stall - potted plants, potting mix, cuttings
Cent auction - donate new items for prizes
Bottle Stall - donate filled bottles, clean empty bottles,
or small items / lollies to help fill bottles
Cake Stall - bake/make for the day;
or donate ingredients for others to bake

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME

Helpers needed for planning, set-up and on the night

BUY RAFFLE TICKETS

Buy Parish Raffle Tickets - Available Now

SPREAD THE WORD!

*Donations can be left at Parish Office Tue to Fri
or at weekend Masses*

Christmas Carnival
Saturday 29 November 2025
from 4 pm | Mass at 5 pm
Tableau onstage at 7 pm



Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Raffle

supporting the pastoral works of the Parish

Cash Prizes

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



We ask that all families and staff in our parish schools support the parish by buying a book or two of raffle tickets
Tickets \$2 ea | book of 5 tickets \$10

buy tickets online now:
<https://rafflelink.com.au/2025-parishchristmas>

Don't want to buy online?
Contact the Parish Office or your School Office
for details on how to purchase cash tickets
Parish Office T 6672 1118

ALL SOULS' DAY - YR C

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (26)

R: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day.

Alleluia!

WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

'CUPPA & CHAT'

1st & 3rd Monday of month

Mon 3 Nov | 10 am | M'bah Services Club

Enquiries: Christine O'Brien 0418 787 881

ALL WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

WELCOME

LEGION OF MARY

Eucharistic Adoration – 1st Friday of the month

In honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in this Jubilee Year, there will be a 12-hour Eucharistic Adoration on the 1st Friday of each month | Friday 7 November.

Print your name, phone number & preferred time on the roster located at the front door of the Church. Starts from 6am. There must be 2 or more people present for each hour of the day. Contact Trish Jandura.

I am the Resurrection and the Life, says the Lord. Whoever believes in me, even though he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever | *John 11:25-26*

NOVEMBER - HOLY SOULS

November is a special time for praying for the dead.

During this month people traditionally request "November Masses" for deceased relatives & friends. Envelopes for these Masses are in the Planned Giving pack of envelopes or on the table at the Church.

Please ensure all names are clearly printed.

Prayers during November may also be requested for deceased relatives and friends by writing their names on the yellow cards (at the Church entrance) and placing the card on the Church noticeboard.

Mass of the Angels

10am Saturday 8 November 2025

Sacred Heart Church

A special Mass for families
to remember their children
who have died at, or before birth,
or as young children.



All are invited to
share in this very
special Mass.

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.



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Jubilee Art Prize: Celebrating creativity and hope

The Jubilee Art Prize has been a wonderful way for people in our diocese to celebrate creativity, and the Jubilee theme, *Pilgrims of Hope*. Thank you to everyone who participated and visited the Pilgrim church exhibitions.

We're delighted to announce the winners of the People's Choice Awards, selected by local communities at each Pilgrim church.

At [St Carthage's Parish](#), Lismore, Geraldine from Alstonville was honoured for her stunning canvas portrait of Sr Mary Rose, created in collaboration with the Carmelite Monastery in Goonellabah, with the sisters choosing Sr Mary Rose as the subject.

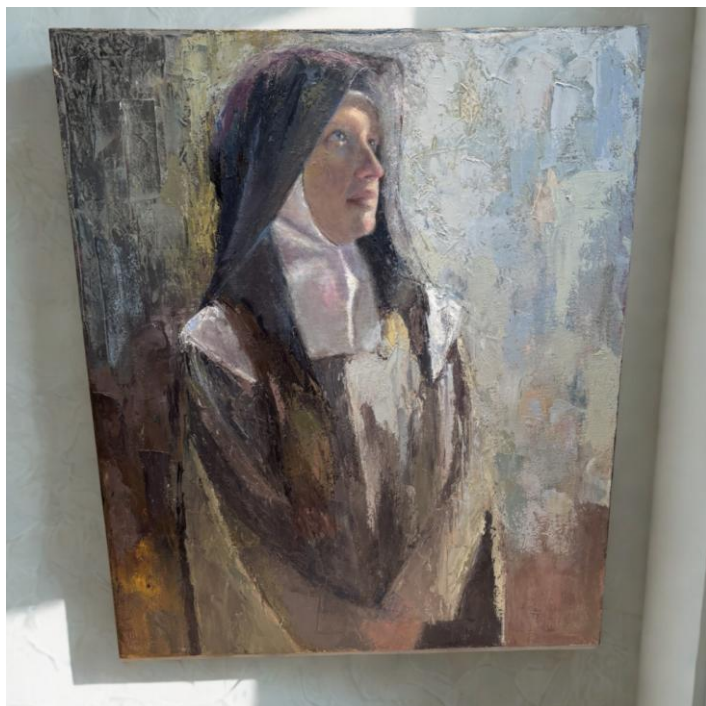
In Coffs Harbour, Frances received the award at [St Augustine's Parish](#) for her piece *Ocean Star*, inspired by the hope and resilience of refugees and migrants.

At [St Agnes' Catholic Parish](#), Port Macquarie, congratulations to Indy, whose hand-drawn work reminds us to not lose hope even in the darkest days, God will open doors and provide new opportunities.

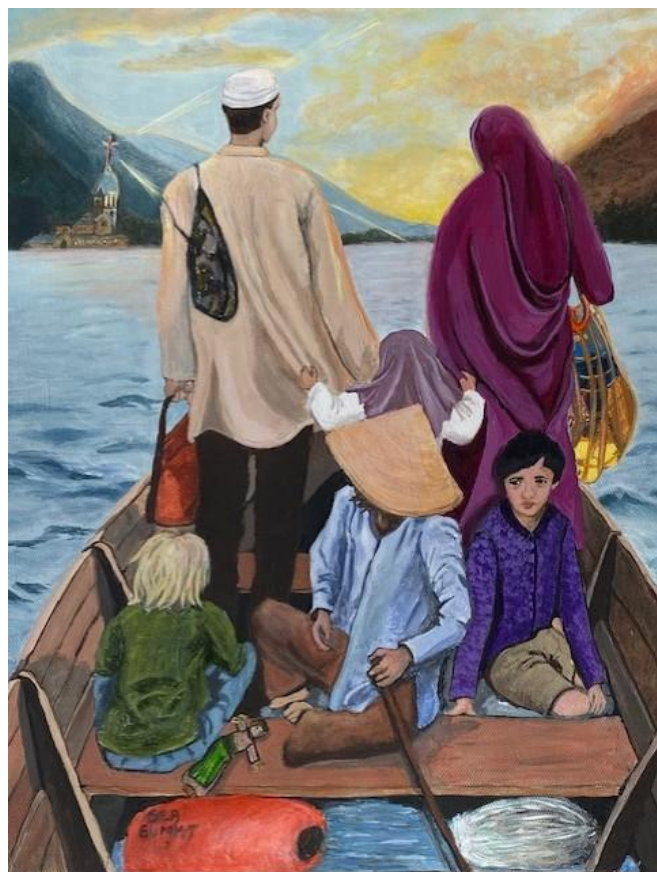
And at [Sacred Heart Parish](#), Murwillumbah, Bonnie from St Joseph's Primary School won for her inspiring piece *Hope in the Light*, reflecting God's presence in difficult times.

The final exhibition will be held at St Carthage's Cathedral and Presentation House, Lismore on Saturday 6 December.





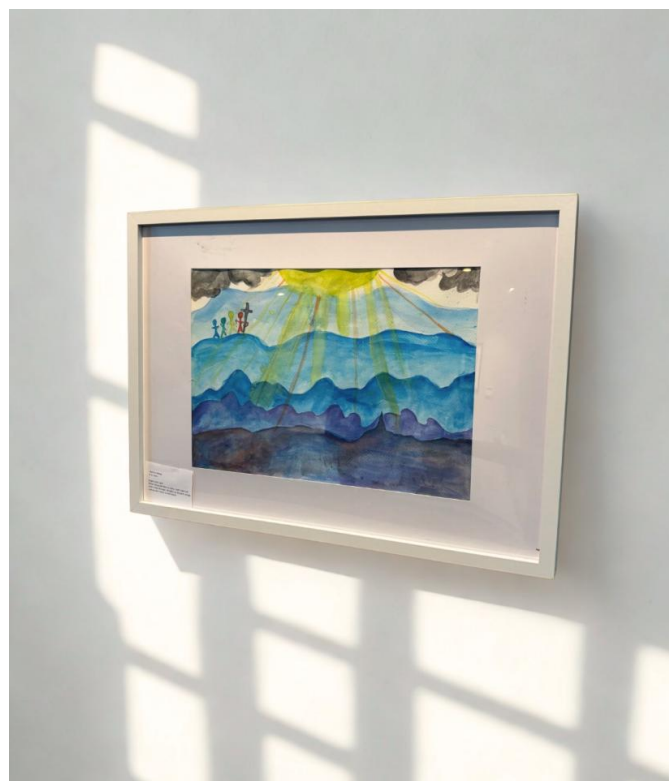
Lismore People's Choice, Winner Geraldine for her canvas of Sr Mary Rose



Coffs Harbour People's choice Winner, Frances for her artwork Ocean Star



Port Macquarie People's Choice Winner, Indy for her artwork to not lose hope in the darkest days, God will provide and open doors full of light and opportunities



Murwillumbah People's Choice Winner, Bonnie for her artwork Hope in the Light