

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish



PARISH CHURCHES

Church of the Sacred Heart

Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

River Street, South Murwillumbah

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TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
30 AUGUST 2026 | YEAR A



'Get behind me, Satan'

We have to get one terrible thought out of our heads, i.e. that the Heavenly Father of Jesus *wanted* him to suffer a tortured, agonising death. Yet we do say: 'It was necessary that Jesus suffer and die.' What can this mean? I believe this refers to the necessity of divine mission and the necessity of divine love. First, it *was* the Father's will that Jesus remain true to the mission to preach and embody the gospel of mercy and forgiveness. It was inevitable that powerful elites would find this intolerable and have Jesus eliminated. Secondly, God so loved the world where death ravages human beings, that God determined to absorb the suffering and pangs of death. The temptation to avoid that dreadful necessity lead Jesus to rebuke Peter: 'Get *behind* me, Satan', a terrible variation of the initial call: 'Come, *follow* me.' We could pause for a moment to very consciously make the sign of the Cross, the consequence of Jesus' mission and love for us.

Rev Prof Michael Tate @ Liturgy Help 2026

*Fr Peter will be on Long Service
Leave from
Monday 31 August until
Friday 30 October.*

*We would like to take the time to
wish Fr Peter a restful and
enjoyable time with his family.*

*Whilst Fr Peter is away, we
welcome Fr Michael Alcock,
Fr Nicolas Maurice and
Fr Michael Nilon to celebrate
weekend Masses.*

*During Fr Peter's leave there will
be no weekday Masses.
Adoration will be held
4 September & 2 October only.*



St Joseph's Parish
Tweed Heads

Weekday

Mass Times

Tweed Heads

Monday - Friday 9:10am

This week in the Parish



AUGUST

Sunday 30

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am - Mass | **Sacred Heart**

Monday 31

Parish Office Closed

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 1

NO MASS TODAY

Wednesday 2

NO MASS TODAY

Thursday 3

NO MASS TODAY

Friday 4

6:00 am - All day Adoration | **Sacred Heart**

9:00 am - Legion of Mary | Meeting Centre

NO MASS TODAY

Saturday 5

9:00 am - Rosary

5:30 pm - Rosary

6:00 pm - Vigil Mass | **Sacred Heart**

Sunday 6

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am - Rosary

9:00 am - Mass | **Sacred Heart**

10:00 am - Sunday Cuppa

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.

Also half an hour before each weekend Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT

6:00 am—6:00 pm

Friday 4 September

WEDNESDAY WORD

Copies of Wednesday Word are available in the Church.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

GROUP

Tuesday & Thursday

6:50 am

Sacred Heart Church

(Not held when there is no weekday Mass)

SCRIPTURE GROUP

Tuesday 1pm

Parish Office

LATEST CATHOLIC LIFE MAGAZINE AVAILABLE NOW

ONLINE AND AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

Read great articles in this edition, featuring articles about Mt St Patrick College Centenary and faith journey of Grace Molloy, as well as reflection from Fr Anthony Lemon.

Scan to read



<https://www.diocese.org/catholic-life-magazine>

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Terry Bryant, Ethel Guinea nee Donnelly, Ron McCalman, Paul Taffa.

ANNIVERSARIES: D'Arcy McCarthy, Maria Procopio, Jason Cook.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Joshua Smith, Peter van den Broek, Marie Skenner, Darcy Twohill, John Reynolds, Lorraine Grennan, Vera Albertini, Judith Jackson-Hope, Anthony Rodighiero, Kath Dawson-Malone, Alex Lever, Rita Loughman, Isobel Grant, Fr Joseph Guinea, Gabrielle Hackenberg, Albert Albertini, Maive Collett, Narelle Martin, Pam Willock, Patrick Fox, Margaret Traves, Lorraine Green, David Burke, Paul Calvino, Fr Anthony Lemon.

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

READINGS FOR TODAY AND NEXT WEEK:

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ezek 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

READER ROSTER :

5 & 6/9: Marg Mumford | Mary-Ann Thackray

12 & 13/9: Grace Molloy | Beth Gorton

ALTAR SERVING ROSTER

29/8: Ted & Meadow | 30/8: Isaac & Marcus

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

6/9: Philly & Ros | 13/9 Kay & Kathy

ROSARY STATUE

30/8: Susan Kean | 6/9: Evelyn Cook

WELCOME

MSPC **Ignatius** & **Lisieux** Houses

This Saturday we welcome Mt St Patrick college students and staff from **Ignatius House** and **Lisieux House** who are joining us at the Vigil Mass this Saturday 29 August & they invite you to join them for a bite to eat in the Parish Hall/MSPC Library afterwards.

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Liturgy & Lector Formation

SAVE THE DATE | SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

In collaboration with Kingscliff and Tweed Heads Parishes, we are extremely fortunate to have Dr Clare Schwantes, Director of Liturgy Brisbane and Chair of the National Liturgical Council, and Mr Michael Mangan, Chair of the Australian Pastoral Musicians Network, and liturgist, for a morning of Liturgical Formation.

This will include:

Foundational liturgical principles, which will greatly benefit all liturgical ministers, no matter their role.

Formation specific to the role of Lector (Reader)

Where: St Anthony's Church Kingscliff

When: Saturday 12 September

Time: 9:00 am to 12:30 pm

Morning tea provided.

Father's Day Collection for our sick and retired priests of the Diocese of Lismore will be held next weekend - envelopes available.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE MARIAN VALLEY BUS TRIP

SATURDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

Please arrive at 7:30am for a 7:45am departure | **No Queensland Road parking due to another event.**

Emergency contact numbers required for all attendees.

\$15 cash payment | Payable on the day.

Reminder to bring your packed lunch and drinks. Tea and Coffee available.

Still plenty of spaces available!

To book your seat on the bus please contact:

Philomena | 0414 201 940

Evelyn | 0423 394 622

The Legion of Mary look forward to sharing a beautiful faith filled day together!

Long Term Volunteer Opportunities in the Australia-Pacific Region - The Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco

We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for departure in January 2027 to work with young people in our Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Mongolia.

Applications close October 31st, 2026.

Send us an enquiry - www.cagliero.org.au or lhichaaba@salesians.org.au.

SILVER JUBILEE

OF ORDINATION

14 SEPTEMBER 2001 – 14 SEPTEMBER 2026

You are invited

PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE

Fr Michael Alcock's

Silver Jubilee

25 YEARS OF PRIESTLY MINISTRY

We warmly invite you to
9:00am Mass on
at St Joseph's Catholic Church
Tweed Heads

SUNDAY
13 SEPTEMBER 2026
followed by
Morning Tea

AS WE CELEBRATE THIS SPECIAL MILESTONE IN FR MICHAEL'S MINISTRY.

Let us give thanks to God for
Fr Michael's faithful service
and continue to keep him in our prayers.

*"Preach the word of God
wherever you go, even use
words, if necessary."*
- Francis of Assisi



SUNDAY CUPPA

JOIN US AFTER
MASS

6 SEPTEMBER 2026



The Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office is contactable if you have any Safeguarding concerns. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss options you have available to you. To contact the Safeguarding Office, please phone (02) 6621944 or email: safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (62)

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

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.

CALLING ALL LOCAL TRADESPEOPLE

Are you a local tradesperson or business owner? The Parish is creating a Trades Register for both internal church maintenance and a helpful directory for parishioners. If you would like to list your services (plumbing, electrical, roofing, gardening, etc.), please submit your business name, trade, phone number, and email.

A registration form is available at the back of the church simply add your details.

Alternatively email your details to the parish office at murwillumbah@lismore.catholic.org.au by 30 September 2026.

SAVE THE DATE

One day retreat
17 October
St Anthony's Parish
Hall, Kingscliff
8:30am
Rev. Fr Pius Jones SM

Hosted by the Legion
of Mary

ALL WELCOME
More details to follow