

SACRED HEART PARISH MURWILLUMBAH

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4 OCTOBER 2026 | YEAR A

THIS WEEKEND WE WELCOME FR MICHAEL NILON

The metaphor of the vineyard, cherished by both ancient Israel and the early Christians, suggests that while vines might be hardy, they are also vulnerable. So is the reign of God. It must be tended and protected from what might endanger it, so that it may produce abundant and delectable fruit. In the gospel account, the vine does indeed produce an abundant crop. In fact, it is the very productivity of the vineyard that sets the stage for the treachery described. We can see ourselves in both uses of the vineyard metaphor. There are times when, regardless of what God seems to be doing for us, we simply rebel against God's plans. We stand in defiance. There are other times when we, who are disciples of Jesus, act as if the kingdom is ours. We might even marginalise or force out others with whom we do not agree, so that we have sole control. When we consider the justice of God, it is important that we place it within the right context, lest we create a picture of God that is false and misleading. It is because of God's tender love for the vineyard that treachery cannot be tolerated. If we have produced unacceptable fruits, it is for our own good that God steps in and dismantles the structures that enabled us to produce bad fruit. It is appropriate that God would snatch the vineyard from our grasp and entrust it to one who will faithfully carry out God's plans.

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WEEKEND MASS INFORMATION

SATURDAY:

Reconciliation: 5:30pm - 5:50pm

Rosary: 5:30pm

Vigil: 6:00 pm

SUNDAY:

Reconciliation: 8:30am - 8:50am

Rosary: 8:30am

Mass: 9:00 am

WEEKLY READINGS

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 25:6-10; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

PARISH CHURCHES

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

River Street, South Murwillumbah

WEEKDAY MASS INFORMATION

MONDAY: NO MASS TODAY
TUESDAY: NO MASS TODAY
WEDNESDAY: NO MASS TODAY
THURSDAY: NO MASS TODAY
FRIDAY: NO MASS TODAY

St Joseph's Parish Tweed Heads

Monday - Friday 9:10am

Weekday Mass Times Tweed Heads

MINISTRY ROSTERS

Readers

10/10: Barbara Grant
11/10: Christine O'Brien
17/10: Margaret Mumford
18/10: Philomena Zambelli

Altar Servers

Altar Serving roster will recommence in Term 4

Children's Liturgy

Childrens Liturgy will recommence in Term 4

Rosary Statue

4/10: Jenny Wallace
11/10: Faith Buchanan

WEEKLY INFORMATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of each month
6:00 am - 6:00 pm
Sacred Heart Church

Weekend Rosary

The Rosary is prayed on Saturday morning at 9:00 am, as well as half an hour before each weekend mass

Weekday Rosary

During Fr Peter's leave, weekday Rosary will be held at 8:00 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Christian Meditation Group

Tuesday after Rosary
8:25 am Sacred Heart Church
during Fr Peter's leave

Scripture Group

Tuesday 1:00 pm Parish Office
(During school terms only)

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased

Peter van den Broek, Mick Mills, Melanie Goddard, Brigid Price.

Anniversaries

Those Who Are Sick

Corinna Thackray, Joshua Smith, 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, Albert Albertini, Narelle Martin, Pam Willock, Patrick Fox, Margaret Traves, Lorraine Green, David Burke, Paul Calvino, Fr Anthony Lemon.

MONTHLY PARISH GROUPS

First Monday

God's Precious Infants Prayers and Rosary
9:30 am Sacred Heart Church
For more information contact:
Philomena Zambelli 0414 201 940

First & Third Monday

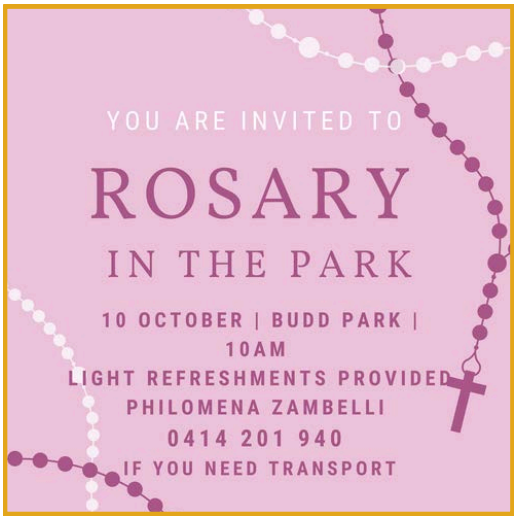
Widows Group
10 am Murwillumbah RSL
For more information contact:
Parish Office 02 6672 1118

Third Wednesday

Catholic Men's Group Morning Tea
10:00 am Murwillumbah RSL.
For more information contact:
Gary Bewes 0427 913 531

Third Thursday

The Catenians | Gold Coast Tweed Circle
6:20 pm South Tweed Sports.
For more information contact:
Bernard Nolan 0419 023 108
Chris Gallagher 0428 416 288





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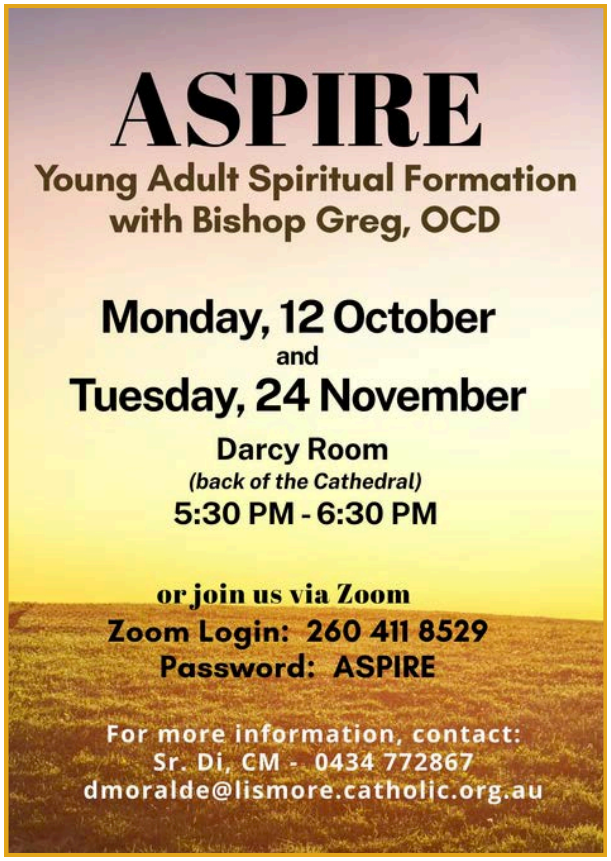
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Date: Monday 19 October 2026 Time: 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm AEDT

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PARISH SCHOOLS

Mt. St. Patrick College
Principal: Mr Gavin Dykes

Mt. St. Patrick Primary School
Principal: Mr Brendan Ryan

St. Joseph's Primary School
Principal: Mr Jason Clarke

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (79)

The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything that I have learnt from my Father.
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 (APOSTLES' CREED)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
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.





PARISH OFFICE & STAFF

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Parish Manager: Mary-Ann Thackray
Parish Secretary: Erin Cornale
Pastoral Associate: Barbara Grant

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