



Sacred Heart Parish, North Albury, pays respect to the Wiradjuri people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather to celebrate our faith and worship God. We acknowledge with respect elders past, present and emerging.

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

20th / 21st August 2022

Parish Clergy

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Direct Deposit into our Church A/c (2nd Collect)

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Ref No: Please contact Office for a number.

Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.30 am

Live-streaming on Sunday 9.30am Mass by accessing our website.

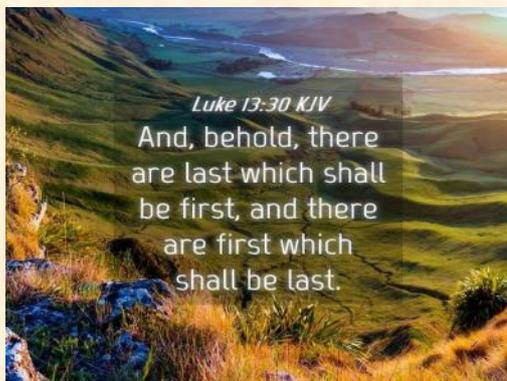
WEEKDAY MASSES: This Week:

Wednesday & Friday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 5.15 PM-5.45 PM

BAPTISMS—By appointment.



This weekend's scripture bears testimony to the universal outreach of the Lord. Our God is one who desires to gather all people, from far and wide – north, south, east and west – and from lands that have never heard of the Lord.

God also wishes to reach those who are considered last, those who are overlooked. Today's readings reveal a Lord with priorities that differ from the norm.

The ones anticipating a place at the banquet will lose it, but those expecting no place at the feast will be offered one (Gospel). Those who have never seen or heard of God's glory will be the ones to see it (First Reading). Those experiencing suffering are to remember that they are that they are God's children and not forgotten (Second Reading). This week may we, in response to all the Lord has done for us, go out into the whole of the world and proclaim the Good News through our lives (Psalm).

We particularly remember those who are suffering in war and conflict in Ukraine and beyond.

Parish Community



We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Barry Fahey, Vincent Gooden, Tony Herrick, Dorothy Bell, Tom Richards, Maureen McLauchlan, Ezekiel Carney, Pam Stone, Terence Clancy, Patricia Grimes, Bill Mathey, Peter Donkers, Hermine Assigal, Pat Gleeson, Dell Swinton.

ANNIVERSARIES: Leslie Gray, Julie Morey, Joyce Doolan, Maria Paizis, Maria Carnovale, Jack Doyle, Valerie Wynack, Kathleen Slattery, Tom Quade, Mavis Hills, Werner Pallman, Montey Meyer, Edna Gibson, Thomas Hunt, Iris Pierpoint, Sydney Flegeltaub, Flo Mitsch, Richard Malez Joe Packer, Mary Bradford, Annie Phillips, John Worsley, Bill King, Neville Crowther, Herbert Hudson, Mark Fraser, Jim Rice, Harry Cooper.

Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.

Prayer for the Sick

We pray for all those who are sick. May they draw strength and healing from God's presence with them and from our prayers and thoughts for them. May they have peace in their hearts and know they are greatly loved by all. We offer our prayers believing that God's presence and power can do more than we can ever know. Amen

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 20th / 21st August

| Ministry | Vigil | 9.30am |
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| Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2 | Xavier Youth Mass | Bede Hart Susan McLauren Rom Hayes |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Colleen Day Patricia Hopkins | Susan McLauren Di Treacy |
| Cantor Musicians | Xavier Youth Mass | Simon Goss Val Hayes |
| Counters: Gordon Bryant & Laurie Moylan | | |

Sat /Sun: 27th / 28th August

| Ministry | Vigil | 9.30am |
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| Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2 | Jasmine Gordes Sr Loretta Corrigan Michael Byrnes | Cathy Nyhan Liz Phegan Mary Hunt |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Adrian Mitchelhill Anna Farrell | Richard Parkinson Pamela McIntosh |
| Cantor Musicians | Brian Waters Judy Foley | David Hicks Val Hayes |
| Counters: Noelene Cruise & Jane Togher | | |

Prayer for Our Sacred Heart Parish

*God of Love, Source of all hope and good things;
You call us in love, to share in the work and ongoing life of our Sacred Heart Parish.
Bless this parish of ours and lead us to be confident and joyful in serving those around us, so that through us, the world may catch a glimpse of the love you have for each one of us. Make us instruments of your love to everyone that we encounter in our parish community, at home, at work and in our neighbourhood.
Help us to grow in gratitude so that we can recognise and thank you for all the good things you have given us. Each day may we come to know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen*



This weekend we welcome into the community of the Christian church through the sacrament of Baptism:

**Forrest-Lee Elevyn & Lydia Nancy
Jade Irons daughters of
Ryan & Tegan**

Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

"This is God's way, the way of humility. It is the way of Jesus; there is no other. And there can be no humility without humiliation.

Parish News

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion for our Year 4 students at St. Anne's and those attending other schools will be celebrated on Sunday 16 October at 11.00am in Sacred Heart Church.

A parent/student reflection and information evening will be held this Thursday 25 August in St. Anne's School Library at 6.00pm.

Our commitment prayer for candidates making the sacrament and their families will take place the following Saturday evening 27 August and Sunday 28 August at both masses. Parents of students in Year 4 and beyond, home schooling or who have a child attending schools other than St Anne's are asked to contact our Parish Office by email or phone as soon as possible so that appropriate preparation can be arranged.

We congratulate those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation or a special blessing invoking God's Holy Spirit.

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| Matthew Adams | Jai House |
| Zoe Andrews | Isaac Hughes |
| Lincoln Barrett | Otis Jaenke |
| Alexandra Bodycott | Emme Kean |
| Annabel Bosch | Harper Kelly |
| Oenone Carters | Lara Klepiak |
| Xavier Clancy | Muireann Kilroy |
| Phoebe Dight | Tyson Makeham |
| Layla Doubleday | Charlie Maskell |
| Zack Emmett | Alexis Morey |
| Isaac Finlayson | Isabelle Muntz |
| Poppy Fruean | Ivy Nixon |
| Bart Fuller | Sophie Petrovic |
| Zoe Gardiner | Chace Rosser |
| Claudia Gibson | Riley Scott-Young |
| Scarlett Glynn | Eric Spiers |
| Spencer Guthrie | Georgia Ward |
| Summer Hartley | Maison Ward |
| Isaac Holloway | Alexandra Wilson |
| Jude Cremer | Stella Mumberson |
| Evie Edwards | Emily Ross |
| Ruby Edwards | Charli Wright |

May the gifts of the Holy Spirit conferred on them in the sacrament of Confirmation—Wisdom, Understanding, Right Judgement, Courage, Knowledge, Reverence, Wonder & Awe—be their helper and guide.

ALPHA PROGRAM—A Wonderful Success!

Our twelve week Alpha program concluded last Tuesday evening with discussion around the theme 'What about the Church'.

A big thank you to all participants and volunteers.

A celebration meal will be held this Tuesday 23 August at 6.30pm in our parish hall.

All volunteers and those who helped out in any way are invited to come along and enjoy the hospitality of the participants—this time you don't need to bring anything other than the gift of yourselves.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL—Annual General Meeting

This year's Annual General Meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Thursday 1 September at 6.00pm in Sacred Heart Hall. The Parish Council warmly invites all interested parishioners to attend. Finger food and drinks provided—even a lucky door prize!

Parishioners are often not aware of the role of our Parish Council. Our Council's role is to participate in God's mission to live and communicate the love and values of Christ in the world around us. Our Parish Council shares in the responsibility for the ongoing life and development of our parish community, working together with parishioners to provide support for their efforts to live as followers of Christ. The purpose of the Parish Council is to:

- ◆ Provide the opportunity for members of the parish community to share the responsibility of parish life.
- ◆ Act as a vehicle for communication between the parish and the diocese.

The Parish Council is open to all parishioners & is enriched by a varied representation. Please consider offering your gifts, knowledge and experience to the Parish Council to enable it to be a vital and effective body within the Church community, assisting all in their ongoing efforts to live their baptismal call, discovering, embracing and proclaiming Christ within every aspect of life.

MASS OF CELEBRATION—Indigenous Culture

In recent months the members of our Parish Pastoral Council have been exploring ways to celebrate the cultural diversity of our Sacred Heart Parish community. We have been reflecting on ways in which we can continue to be a welcoming, inclusive and Christ-centred community. To this end Pastor Darren Wighton has agreed to enliven our celebration of Eucharist on **Sunday 4 September** with elements of indigenous spirituality and invite local nations people to this mass. The gathering will also provide the opportunity to commission some forty Year 11 students and staff from Xavier High School as they prepare for immersion experiences in the coming days to Moree and Lake Mungo.

At the conclusion of our celebration of 9.30am Eucharist we will hold our usual morning tea in the hall. If possible please bring something to share.

FREE DAILY DEVOTIONAL PRAYER REFLECTION

Presented by Bruce Downes who is also known as 'The Catholic Guy'. Receive these short, practical and inspiring daily devotional video's into your inbox to help you explore and understand who Jesus really is!

Jesus is arguably the most well-known person that ever lived. This new series called, 'Knowing Jesus,' based on the holy Scriptures and the wisdom of the Church will be a new and different perspective on the life of Christ and His work, His teaching, His miracles, His death and resurrection, and ultimately, who He was and why He came.

Each day, people will receive a free short 5-10 minute video directly into their inbox beginning 15 August.

Sign up today: BruceDownes.org/KnowingJesus/ or go to our website BruceDownes.org

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Prophet Isaiah

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your people, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

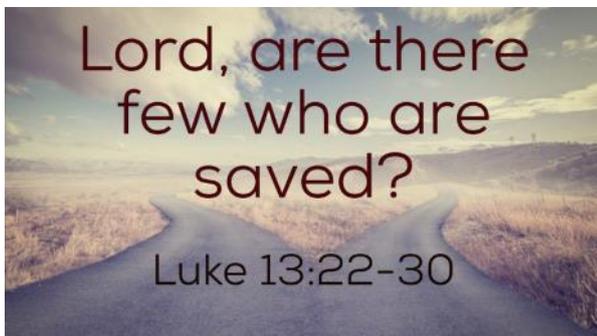
Responsorial Psalm 116

(When the Psalm is sung, the words will vary slightly but the meaning remains the same.)

Response: Go out to all the world and tell the Good News

O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples. **R**

Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful forever. **R**



A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth and the life says the Lord;
No one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 13: 22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, "Sir, will there be only a few saved?" He said to them, "Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and not succeed.

"Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' but he will answer, 'I do not know where you come from.' Then you will find yourself saying, 'We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets,' but he will reply, 'I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked ones!'

"Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And those from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.