



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-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st / 2nd October 2022

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Church A/c: BSB: 066 789; A/c No: 10000 5574

Ref No: Please contact Office for a number.

Presbytery A/c: BSB: 066 789; A/c No: 1000 5575



This weekend's readings invite us to think in terms of trust and faithfulness. They remind us to be patient. Habbakuk (First Reading) feels the Lord isn't listening when he asks why nothing is being done about the violence and outrage he sees. But the Lord reassures him that whatever the surrounding circumstances, the upright person will remain faithful, trusting in God.

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches about faith and service when the apostles ask him, 'Increase our faith!' He moves them away from considering faith as a quantity, to putting into practice what faith they do have. Jesus uses the size of a mustard seed to demonstrate the power of that faith. In the parable following, he then cautions the disciples about knowing one's place in God's plans, rather than having an attitude of 'what's in it for me?' Our relationship with God is to be one of total and unconditional love and service.

St Paul tells us that the gift of faith in Christ is the Spirit of power, love, and self-control. Armed with this Spirit, we are 'never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord', even if it means going against the tide, or enduring hardship. (Second Reading) The Psalmist urges us, 'O that today you would listen to his voice!' We are to come before the Lord with open hearts, giving thanks and praise.

Let's pray for a deepening of our own faith and trust in God, and for guidance to use our precious God-given gifts with a

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.



Parish Community



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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Bishop Hilton Deakin, Molly Fulford, Kevin Smith, Harold Groch, Jeannette Dethlefs, Dominick O'Connor, Marisa Copperwaite, Maureen Toner, Gerald Murphy, Desmond Ratcliffe, Alan Wedesweiler.

ANNIVERSARIES: Maureen Stirling, Hayden Corrigan, Reece Tehan, Louise Sowrey, Tony Chappell, Ron Brindley, Douglas Tooth, Jenny McLaurin, Dawn Rixon, Clare Maloney, Vicky Gyoles, Bernie Moncrieff, Edith Cane, Elinor Monk, Tom Whitty, Raymond Neal, Arnold Corte, Leslie Grenda, Mary Powell, John Bereza, Vera Smith, Shirley Thomas, Phyllis Jones.

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: 1st / 2nd October | | |
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| Ministry | Vigil | 9.30am |
| Commentator | Colleen Day | Ed Brown |
| Lector 1 | Sr Loretta Corrigan | Margy Brown |
| Lector 2 | Justin Clancy | John Dowling |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Anna Farrell Jeneice Harding | Sue Betts Moira Porta Mercedes Goss |
| Cantor | Judy Lindsay | Simon Goss |
| Musicians | Catherine Cutler | Val Hayes |
| Counters: Anne Gordes & Lorraine Willis (Sunday) | | |

| Sat / Sun: 8th / 9th October | | |
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| Ministry | Vigil | 9.30am |
| Commentator | Kellie Gordes | Bede Hart |
| Lector 1 | Sr Carina Morton | Rom Hayes |
| Lector 2 | Paula Waters | Tammy Robertson |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Judy Lindsay Pauline Mulquiney | Marisa Hart Emonn Buckley Fran Kernaghan |
| Cantor | Brian Waters | David Hicks |
| Musicians | Judy Foley | Val Hayes |
| Counters: Judy Tuckwell & Michael Byrnes | | |

Prayer for Season of Creation

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

Pour out upon us the power of your love that we may protect life and beauty.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives that we may protect the world, that we may sow beauty not pollution and destruction.

Teach us to discover the worth of each person and thing to be filled with awe and contemplation and to recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

“Let us be renewed by God’s mercy ... and let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation and make justice and peace flourish. “



Parish News

From the Bishop's Office

Personnel appointments most of which will take place in January 2023:

Fr Reece Beltrame is appointed PP of Sacred Heart, Griffith w.e.f. January 18th.

Fr Sean Byrnes is appointed PP of St Michael's Cathedral w.e.f. January 18th.

Fr Thomas Casanova CCS is moved to South Wagga by the Confraternity and appointed PP of Our Lady of Fatima, South Wagga w.e.f. January 18 by me.

Fr Andrew Grace is appointed PP of Sacred Heart, Koorinal w.e.f. January 18th.

Fr Luke Joseph is appointed PP of St Joseph's Lockhart w.e.f. January 18th.

Fr Gabriel Murray is appointed administrator of Holy Trinity, West Wagga w.e.f. January 18th.

Fr Stephen Onykwere is appointed PP of Narrandera w.e.f. January 18th

Fr (Andrew) Xiang Feng is replacing Fr Brendan Quirk as chaplain at Kapooka w.e.f. January 4th.

Fr Siby Sebastian MCBS is appointed as the Syro-Malabar Chaplain (Priest in Charge) in Wagga Wagga w.e.f. October 9th 2022. (He will celebrate Holy Qurbana on Sundays and weekdays. At least initially, he will reside in South Wagga.

Above are listed the swings and round-a-bouts of clergy relocations in our diocese.

Morning Tea

Our monthly morning tea will take place at the conclusion of our celebration of Eucharist this Sunday 2 October in our Parish hall. All welcome.

Murray Valley Sanctuary Refugee Group –Fundraiser

Famous Fakes Auction—Saturday 22 October 2022

Splitters Creek Community Centre, 29 Altmeier Lane, Spliters Creek. 1.30pm Viewing and nibbles. 3.00pm Auction. Gold Coin entry. For more information call Lynette Frauenfelder **0423 488 366**

'Walking with Wisdom Series'

(In person or via Zoom), 4 x Thursdays, 6-27 October, 10am-12.30pm. This series offers a time to explore the depths of wisdom in our own heart, to recognize wisdom in the encounter with another...to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Led by spiritual directors Carole Carmody rsm and Julie Adam. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern VIC. Cost \$30 per session or \$100 for the series.

Book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne, email: office@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel (03) 9890 1101.

St Patrick's Church Sesquicentenary

Save the Date: Sunday 27th November 2022

You are invited to our 150th Anniversary celebration. Bishop Mark Edwards will preside at 10.00am Mass, followed by lunch in the Presbytery Gardens (or school hall). Details to follow.....

Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Thursday 13 October in the Parish Hall at 6.00pm If you feel called to make a contribution to the life of our parish community by joining this body as an active participant please contact Fr Martin.

Alternatively, if anyone wishes to discontinue their service as a current member of the council at this time they are also asked to contact Fr Martin or Ed Brown (chair person) Email: browne@ww.catholic.edu.au

Readers, Commentators & Eucharistic Ministers

Roster Oct 22—Jan 23.

Thanks for those who continue to volunteer for these important ministries. Our new roster is available for collection at the Swan Street entrance.

Planned Giving Second Collection

When using the electronic point of sale machine to contribute a \$10 donation to the Church Account it appears on your statement as **Eftpos Diocesan Provident Fund Wagga Wagga**. The funds go directly into our Church Account.

'Mindfulness & Meditation', via Zoom, Saturday 15

Oct 2022, 10am-2pm (AEST). When we are present to the 'now', centredness and relaxation become a natural part of life, and we know how to act from a heart of love. We invite you to bring an open mind and heart, for these few hours of prayer in the practice of mindfulness and meditation, to journey with others and within oneself. Led by Paola Cheng, a qualified meditation teacher, spiritual director and social worker, who brings an inclusive and gentle approach to her sessions. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$50. Book and pay via website: www.heartoflife.melbourne, email: info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel 9890 1101.

Men's Breakfast—Saturday 8th October 2022

All men welcome. Good Food—Good Fellowship
St James Hall, Cnr. Schneider & Heriot Sts. Lavington. Time from 7.45am for tea/coffee. Grace at 8.00am. Cereals etc. followed by hot food. Program: Annual report, Mini Testimonies, Just for Fun. Coin donation. Enquiries: **0427 706 756** or email: bandjjames@yahoo.com.au



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

Oscar John Bollingmoore son of Nathaniel & Kyra
Ted Graeme Grove son of Jonathon & Maddison
Thomas James Adam son of Cameron & Abby

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Prophet Habakkuk

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save? Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes. Then the Lord answered and said, "Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 94

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

Response: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. **R**

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. **R**

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my
work. **R**

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to Timothy

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power and love and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as you pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands forever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 17: 5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you. 'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately?" Would they not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty".'

The Gospel of the Lord.