



*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-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### *15th / 16th October 2022*

#### **Parish Clergy**

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#### **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 week's readings focus on the need for prayer and trust in the Lord, even when we feel isolated and despondent. To this end, the First Reading tells the story of Moses, who is helped by his friends to continue brandishing the 'staff of God' even when he is too tired to raise his arms. Together they help to contribute to the victory against Israel's enemies, the Amalekites. The Psalmist puts all his trust in God, knowing that the Lord will guard his going and coming at all times.

St Paul encourages Timothy to be faithful to the Scriptures, which are inspired by God and a source of wisdom (Second Reading). Timothy is to proclaim the word, and support and encourage others with great patience.

The Gospel passage, sometimes called the 'Parable of the Persistent Widow', or of the 'Unjust Judge', reflects on the need to pray continually. We are to persist in our petitions, even if at first the Lord appears deaf to our pleading.

So this week, as we continue to pray for justice and peace in the world, particularly in open conflicts, we might keep in mind the lessons of this week's texts. Let's try to persist in our entreaties, perhaps with the help of friends, trusting that the Lord will guard us from evil.

...When the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on the earth?  
Luke 18:8

# Parish Community



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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Hilary Hansen, Bishop Hilton Deakin, Molly Fulford, Kevin Smith, Harold Groch, Patrice Peters, Don Ingram, Jeannette Dethlefs, Dominic O'Connor, Marissa Copperwaite, Maureen Toner.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Mac Terlikowski, Peter Freeman, Pasquale Carnovale, Lauren Flegeltaub, Sr Gabriel Sheahan, June Harrison, George McIntosh, Margaret Newman, Nella O'Brien, Kate Hallam, Jack Daly, Allie Quinn, Ron Healey, Mary-Ann Packer, Charles Walton, Matthew Walshe, Eileen Maher, Craig Jackson, Bill Murphy, John Carroll, Martha Wilson, Arnold Quick, Leo Plunkett, Frank Corrigan.

*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: 15th /16th October

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
<b>Commentator</b>	Jasmine Gordes	Cathy Nyhan
<b>Lector 1</b>	Kellie Gordes	Mercedes Goss
<b>Lector 2</b>	Michael Byrnes	Mary Hunt
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Colleen Day Pat Hopkins	Pamela McIntosh Carey Menz-Dowling Trish Parkinson
<b>Cantor</b>		Ann & Lachlan McIntyre
<b>Musicians</b>		
<b>Counters: Gavin Dykes &amp; Damien Parkinson (Sunday)</b>		

### Sat / Sun: 22nd / 23rd October

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
<b>Commentator</b>	Justin Clancy	Richard Parkinson
<b>Lector 1</b>	Adrian Mitchelhill	Ann McIntyre
<b>Lector 2</b>	Colleen Day	Tammy Robertson
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Jeneice Harding Kaye Deanshaw	Moira Porta Diane Treacy Sr Patricia Weekes
<b>Cantor</b>	Catherine Cutler /Judy Lindsay	Bernadette & Wendy
<b>Musicians</b>	Judy Foley	
<b>Counters: Lachlan McIntyre &amp; Wendy McFerran (Sunday)</b>		

## Prayer for Year 12 Students and their Exams

Loving God  
be with our Year 12 students now, as they prepare for and complete their exams.

Thank you for the many talents and gifts you have, given them and for the opportunity of education they have experienced over the past years. Calm their nerves and anxiety, help them to remember all that they have studied, to express it clearly and to answer the questions in the very best way they can.

Holy Spirit, sit with them in their exams - and clear their minds,

calm their hearts, relax their being. Please also give them clarity of thought, and prompt their mind to remember all the things that they have studied.

Give them the wisdom and the ability to transfer their thoughts to paper.

Holy Spirit guide and inspire them. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## Thought for the Week ( Pope Francis):

"Let us encourage the generosity which is typical of the young and help them to work actively in building a better world. Youth do not solely need material things. Above all, they need to have those non-material values which are the spiritual heart of a people ... spirituality, generosity, solidarity, perseverance, fraternity, and joy. !"

# Parish News

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Corey Miller will be received into the worshipping community of the Catholic Church through the celebration of the sacraments of Initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist—next Sunday 23 October. Corey participated in our recent Alpha program. You are encouraged to come along in accompaniment of Corey and his family during our celebration of 9.30am mass next Sunday morning. Please keep him in your prayers during the coming week.

## New Parish Reflection & Participation Opportunities

A reflection on God's word as revealed in Scripture will be offered each 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall. All welcome. For further details phone Fran **0408 268 518**.

In addition to this Joseph Kipper will be hosting a day time Scripture group (for those who cannot make the night group) every Tuesday at 10.30am-12md at **568 Hague Street, Lavington**. Phone **0412 475 599** for further details.

The Alpha Beta group (3rd Tuesday of each month) begins Tuesday 18 October at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall. All welcome to come and reflect on our individual and communal journey of faith. For further details phone Michael 0419 982 574.

**Previous participation in Alpha is not a pre-requisite for either group.**

## 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**

## Catholic Mission—Annual Appeal

### **Bring Hope to Neela and her family**

Many families in Emdibir are subsistence farmers, and distressingly, many are unable to put enough food on the table each day. Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Church and community in Emdibir, Ethiopia, where your gift can help build a life-changing program from the ground up to help address this urgent need. We hope you will take this opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.

\*Name altered to protect identity

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## First Holy Communion—Sacred Heart Parish

Our celebration of Eucharist for our children making their First Holy Communion will take place this Sunday 16 October at 11.00am. Please keep these children in your prayers and their parents and families that through participation in the Eucharist their faith may be nurtured and strengthened

### Prayer for the Children Who Made their First Communion

*Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children who have received Holy Communion for the first time.*

*May this day be a step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist.*

*Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance and wisdom as they grow.*

*Nurture in them the desire to give and not simply to take...*

*But to bring your love to those whom they meet, to develop a Christ-like love for all people...*

*As a Parish Community may we support these children and their families so that we may all work together in coming closer to You.*

*May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of His love and joy of His life within you.*

*Through Christ our Lord. Amen*

## 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, Koorngal 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 Paddy Sykes is appointed PP of Junee w.e.f. Jan 18

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

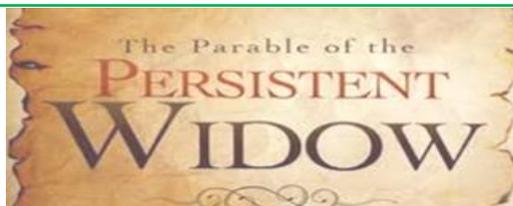
Fr Siby Sebastian MCBS is appointed as the Syro-Malabar Chaplain (Priest in Charge) in Wagga Wagga w.e.f. October 9th 2022. (He will celebrate Holy Qurbana on Sundays and weekdays. At least initially, he will reside in South Wagga.

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

## 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.....



# Liturgy of the Word

## **First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13**

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses's arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm until sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people. The word of the Lord.

## **Responsorial Psalm 120**

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

***Response: Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.***

I lift up my eyes to the mountains:  
From where shall come my help?  
My help shall come from the Lord  
who made heaven and earth. **R**

May he never allow you to stumble!  
Let him sleep not, your guard.  
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,  
Israel's guard. **R**

The Lord is your guard and your shade;  
at your right side he stands.  
By day the sun shall not smite you,  
nor the moon in the night. **R**

The Lord will guard you from evil,  
he will guard your soul.  
The Lord will guard your going and coming  
both now and for ever. **R**

## **A reading from the Second Letter of St Paul to Timothy**

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures—from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who s to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom; proclaim the message and welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience—but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

## **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
The word of God is living and active;  
it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.  
Alleluia!

## **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 18: 1-8**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town', he said, 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, 'I want justice from you against my enemy!' For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, 'Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death.'

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth? The Gospel of the Lord.