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.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 29/30 June 2024

Sacred Heart Parish is a Child Safe Community. We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all and a zero tolerance to child abuse.

Parish Clergy:

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Gemma Whitehead—Monday

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Bank A/c Details for Parishioners wishing to Direct

Deposit into our **Church A/c** (2nd Collect) BSB: 066 789; A/c No: 10000 5574;

<u>Ref No:</u> Name # Please contact Office for a number **Presbytery A/c** <u>BSB:</u> 066 789; <u>A/c No:</u> 10000 5575

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable People:

https://wagga.catholic.org.au/safeguarding-children

-vulnerable-people/

Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.30 am

Live-streaming on Sunday 9.30 am Mass by

accessing our website

WEEKDAY MASSES: This Week:

Tuesday—Mass of Anointing—Mercy Place Chapel

2.00pm

Wednesday & Friday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY: 5.15 PM-5.45 PM **BAPTISMS**—By appointment.

CHILDRENS LITURGY:

Children's liturgy is offered in Sacred Heart parish community each second and fourth Sunday at 9.30am mass during school terms.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our parish bible study group continues every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7.00pm in the parish hall.

Reflection Thirteenth Sunday of the Year

Central to today's readings is Christ the giver of life. We are encouraged to have faith in the Lord and in the life that the Lord brings – not just here on earth, but also in heaven.

The passage from the Book of Wisdom (First Reading) reminds us that God creates all things to have life, and to live that life well, resisting the temptations the evil one will bring. In the Second Reading, St Paul offers guidance on responding to the many kinds of gifts that come from living that life well. We are not asked to make things harder for ourselves, but to use whatever surplus we have to share those gifts with others.

The Psalm is a song of praise and thanks for the gift of life, and the healing promise of the Lord. With the psalmist, we can rejoice in the knowledge that the Lord comes to the help of those who call, regardless of our worthiness. Through the miracles Jesus works in the Gospel, we are reminded once more of the healing, comfort and new life that can be ours, if we but trust in the gift of faith.

This week, I may like to use my time in prayer with the Lord to ask for my own faith to continue to increase, so that I will have more than enough to offer those who are struggling with theirs.

"DO NOT FEAR,
ONLY BELIEVE."

Parish Community

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Patsy Marshall, Anne Duck, Marie

Quirk, Elizabeth Hore, Des Moylan, Ivan Mejak, Jean Godde, Kerry Heinrich, Ellen Haynes.

ANNIVERSARIES: Braedon Hensel, Geoff Morgan, Janice Phelps, Allen Henshaw, Kellie-Anne Wall, Mary Powell, Max Liston, Carmel Roach, Irene Adams, Adrienne Walls, Kevin Delphin, Kath Quirk, Sr De Pazzi, Catherine Duffy, Marjorie Bohr, Robert Hartley, Damian Keenan, Eileen Gawen, John Herring, Nicholas McBrien, Denise Godde, Eugene Cavanagh, Youssef Ghosn, Sr Antonia, Patrick Gannon, Fr Harry Josko, Timothy Stephenson, Donna Bartholomew.

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



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

Edith Catherine Gibney
daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth
Ita Grace Gibney
daughter of Timothy and Alice
Vance John Gibney

son of Timothy and Alice

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 29th / 30th June			
Ministry	Vigil	9.30am	
Commentator Lector 1	Colleen Day Paula Waters	Ed Brown St Anne's	
Lector 2	Kaye Deanshaw	St Anne's	
Eucharistic Ministers	Adrian Mitchelhill Anna Farrell	Trish Parkinson Cathy Nyhan Eamonn Buckley	
Cantor Musicians	John van Lint/Brian Waters Judy Foley	Margy & Ed Brown	

Counters: Lachlan McIntyre & Wendy McFerran

Sat / Sun: 6th / 7th July			
Ministry	Vigil	9.30am	
Commentator	Jan Skinner	Bede Hart	
Lector 1	Michael Byrnes	Roy Thompson	
Lector 2	Justin Clancy	Bethany Carey	
Eucharistic	Kaye Deanshaw	Sr Siony	
Ministers	Pat Hopkins	Sue Betts	
		Moira Porta	
Cantor	Judy Lindsay	Bob Mathews	
Musicians	Judy Foley	Val Hayes	
Counters: Carey Menz-Dowling & John Dowling			

Quote Pope Francis:

"To have access to His heart, to Jesus' heart, there is only one requirement: to feel in need of healing and to entrust yourself to Him. I ask you: do each of you feel that you need to be healed? Of something, of some problem? And, if you feel this, do you have faith in Jesus?."

Parish Prayer

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.



Parish News

Retirement of Mr Bede Hart as Principal of St Anne's Primary School

As the end of Term 2 rapidly approaches we as a parish and school community have a wonderful opportunity to pay tribute to Bede for his dedicated commitment as a teacher, administrator and principal.

Bede began his teaching career at St Michael's Deniliquin in 1980. He then started his journey as an educator in the Diocese of Wagga Wagga with an appointment as Principal of St Thomas Aquinas Primary School, Tarcutta in 1984. He returned south and took up a position of Assistant Principal at St Patrick's Albury in 1988 assuming the principalship in 1997. He remained there for a further 9 years until he accepted the position as Principal of St Peter's Primary School, Port Macquarie in 2007. He returned home in 2009 and began his tenure as Principal at St Anne's Primary School, North Albury.

He was seconded to the Catholic Schools Office as an Educational Consultant in 2016-17 resuming as Principal at St Anne's in 2018.

This is a bittersweet occasion as we pay tribute to a distinguished educator, inspirational leader, respected mentor and faith filled companion and pray that he will enjoy a long and happy retirement filled with new opportunities and exciting adventures.

You are invited to attend a liturgy of farewell and formal assembly to be held this Tuesday 2 July at 9.30am in St Anne's School Hall.

Included is a blessing prayer which captures many of Bede's qualities demonstrated throughout his vocational calling as a teacher and principal.

Blessed are those who lead today, for they are impacting tomorrow.

Blessed are those who live what they say; their words will be heard.

Blessed are those whose lesson is the Gospel; they are being formed by the Teacher of teachers.

Blessed are those who do not fear questions; they are pursuing truth.

Blessed are those who manage with compassion; they are shaping souls.

Blessed are those who do not count the cost; they are purchasing hidden treasures. Blessed are those who 'teach others in justice; they will shine like stars for all eternity.'

Footy Tipping Comp Ladder: (End Round 15)

86: Richard Power; 85: Carmel Butts; 83: Coyle Family, Val Hayes, Bede Hart; 82: Fr Martin, Kay Locke, Judy Lindsay, Liz Phegan, Carey Family; 81: John Dowling, Brian Butts, Matty Boyd; 80: Werndy Glazebrook, Liz Jones; 79: Richard Hickey, Chrissie Trebilcock; 78: Cathy Nyhan, Judy Warren, Eamonn Buckley, Joan Moylan, Genny Green, Clancy Family; 77: John O'Keeffe, Ray Trebilcock; 76: Joseph Kipper, Kansas Michael; 75: Les Murray; 74: Brian Millgate; 68: Denis Shirley. Bonus point returns for anyone who chooses all 9 winners.

Sacred Heart Parish Planned Giving

Thank you for your ongoing support of our parish community in this regard. The parish is reliant on your generous monetary contributions to meet its financial commitments and to engage in pastoral, liturgical and outreach activities.

If you are in a position to contribute to the wellbeing and sustenance of our parish and are not currently doing so through the envelope scheme or by direct deposit please fill out a form located on the table near the confessional or contact the parish office (Mon-Wed-Fri between 9.00am—2.00pm).

The other option is to use the tap and go machine by following the prompts when you arrive for mass.

2024/25 planned giving envelopes (blue) are ready for collection on the table at the Mate Street entrance.

Please use the new envelopes from the weekend of 6/7 July and destroy any old unused ones as your designated number may have changed.

Preparation for 70th Anniversary of our Parish 2025

In preparation for the celebration of the 70th Anniversary of our parish in 2025 we are hoping to see how many parishioners are still around who were in the parish in 1955. If you were part of the parish either as a child, teenager or adult could you record your name and present town location in one of the folders at the back of the Church.

We are planning to put together a mega Heartbeat edition for the 70th Anniversary and are looking for volunteers to help us with this. Please phone Marjorie 0411 596 567.

Alpha Invitation

Our last session for the parish Alpha program is this Tuesday 2 July with the question "Does God Heal Today?"

A big thank you to all who participated in Alpha, to those who brought delicious food for morning tea and those who helped with kitchen duties. It has been a privilege to journey these last 10 weeks with you all. The Alpha team.

<u>Sacramental Dates—First Holy Communion</u> (Yr 4 & beyond)

Student/Parent information and reflection session Monday 29 July 6.00pm St Anne's School Hall.

Commitment Masses for candidates and their families— Saturday 10 August and Sunday 11 August.

Celebration of the Sacrament of First Eucharist during parish masses weekend of September 7/8.

Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting of our Parish Pastoral Council takes place this Thursday 4 July at 6.00pm in the Parish Hall.

All agenda items need to be referred to the council Secretary Marjorie Serbinek: m4serbinek@gmail.com by Monday 1 July.

Parish Morning Tea

As we are having morning tea this weekend the next morning tea will be held on **Sunday 4 August** at the conclusion of our celebration of Eucharist.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Book of Wisdom

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be - for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God dd make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 29

(When the Psalm is sung, the words will vary slightly but the meaning remains the same.) Response: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. R

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, Give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life

At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. R

The Lord listened and had pity.
The Lord came to my help.
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing,

O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. R

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

You always have the most of everything—of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause and the biggest share of our affection—so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too.

Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The one who gathered much had none too much, the one who gathered little did not go short.

The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. **Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 5:21-24, 35-43 (Shortened Version)

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him. Some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith'. And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'Little girl, I tell you to get up'. The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat. The Gospel of the Lord.