



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.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 6/7 July 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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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;

Ref No: Name # Please contact Office for a number

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

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 Fourteenth Sunday of the Year

This weekend's readings encourage us to place our whole trust in God's grace, for God's power is at its strongest even when we are most weak.

In the Gospel, Jesus has left Capernaum, the scene of many 'mighty deeds,' and headed for the home where he grew up. Once in Nazareth there is a change of mood. While his listeners are impressed by stories about him, they can't get over the fact that Jesus is one of their own, another worker, just like each of them, with sawdust in his hair and dirt under his fingernails.

The First Reading hints at the defiant and obstinate spirit of the townsfolk. Perhaps Jesus sees himself as Ezekiel's 'Son of man' when he says in today's Gospel that a prophet is despised in his own country. As Ezekiel writes, 'Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know that there is a prophet among them'.

The Second Reading encourages us to rely on God when things seem to be a struggle. St Paul, faced with failure and his own weakness, clearly heard from God that it was exactly through such weakness that God's strength would be known.

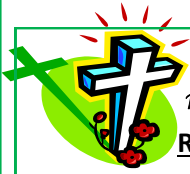
The antidote to pride, scorn, and contempt is mercy (Psalm), and we receive it when we abandon ourselves to God. As 'slave to the master' or as 'servant to the mistress' (as the psalmist puts it), let's keep our eyes firmly fixed on our Lord, this week, till he shows us his mercy.

CHANGE TO MATE STREET CAR PARKING

At our request the Albury City Council has placed a **NO STANDING** sign on the North side of the Mate Street car park entrance (one space).

Please observe the restriction otherwise you may be fined!

Parish Community



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

RECENTLY DECEASED: John O’Keeffe, Beryl Kelly, Constance Roper, Patsy Marshall, Judith Cummins, Elaine Ball, Julian Crouch-Hall, Anne Duck, Marie Quirk, Des Moylan, Elizabeth Hore, Ivan Mejak, Jean Godde, Kerry Heinrich, Ellen Haynes.

ANNIVERSARIES: Ray Murray, Hermine Assigal, Bill Mathey, Maria Azzi, Reg l’anson, Stan Lechmere, Mary Dodd, Sue Russell, Bill Cruickshank, Daryl Rickard, Br Maurice Esler, John Bylart, Patricia Higgins, Pat Kernaghan, Maureen Bullivant, Sinclair Parkinson, Elizabeth Miller, Bernard Dick, John Farrugia, William Parker, Dorothy Finlayson, Martha Hodda, Heather Briggs John Ziebarth, Leah Treloar.

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:

Lily Louise Sewell
Daughter of Ryan Emma

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 6th / 7th July

| Ministry | Vigil | 9.30am |
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| Commentator | Jan Skinner | Bede Hart |
| Lector 1 | Michael Byrnes | Roy Thompson |
| Lector 2 | Justin Clancy | Bethany Carey |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Kaye Deanshaw Pat Hopkins | Sr Siony Sue Betts Moirra Porta |
| Cantor | Judy Lindsay | Damien Parkinson |
| Musicians | Judy Foley | Val Hayes |

Counters: Carey Menz-Dowling & John Dowling

Sat / Sun: 13th / 14th July

| Ministry | Vigil | 9.30am |
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| Commentator | Damian Carroll | Sr Carina Morton |
| Lector 1 | Kaye Deanshaw | John Dowling |
| Lector 2 | Michael Byrnes | Mary Hunt |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Pauline Mulquiney Michael Regan | Dianne Treacy Sr Patricia Weekes Carey Menz-Dowling |
| Cantor | Lachlan McIntyre | |
| Musicians | Judy Foley | |

Counters: Gordon Bryant & Laurie Moylan

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

Dear Lord

We pray for a bright and just shared future for all who call Australia home.

We ask that Your grace of acceptance and compassion will guide us.

Let the Creator Spirit lead our journey with the

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples of this land.

May we share Your Spirit more deeply; and celebrate the gifts You have given us.

We pray for all the Elders in our Communities, that they will be guided by the Holy Spirit and lead us in maintaining the dignity and value of each person. We pray for all peoples, both First Nations people and non Indigenous people, that we will all learn to walk together and serve and respect each other.

We ask this through Christ our Lord Amen.

Quote Pope Francis:

“We should listen more to indigenous peoples and learn from their way of life to properly understand that we cannot continue to greedily devour natural resources, because 'the Earth was entrusted to us in order that it be mother for us, capable of giving to each one what is necessary to live.'”



Parish News

Welcome Fr Prasanth Das

Bishop Mark Edwards has engaged four priests from overseas, two from India and two from the Philippines to work in our diocese. They have all been ordained priests for a significant number of years and have been in various positions of responsibility in the church. As part of their journey each is undergoing a process of acculturation and acclimatisation in preparation for permanent appointments. The Bishop has requested that Fr Prasanth Das be resident at Sacred Heart North Albury, probably until the end of August. Please make him welcome as he adapts to life and ministry in a new land and a country diocese.

Return of Parish Collections

After discussion and consultation the Parish Pastoral Council has decided to return to the pre-covid method of arranging collections during weekend mass. Therefore, we will need 4 volunteers to take up the collection at each mass. The collections (1st and 2nd) will be taken up after the Prayers of the Faithful. This process will return the weekend of 20/21 July. Contributions through the Tap n Go and direct debit will continue to be generously received.

Sacramental Dates—First Holy Communion (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.

Footy Tipping Comp Ladder: (End Round 15)

91: Richard Power; **90:** Carmel Butts; **89:** Coyle Family; **88:** Fr Martin, Val Hayes, Carey Family; **87:** Bede Hart, Kay Locke; **86:** Wendy Glazebrook, Matty Boyd, Brian Butts, John Dowling, Judy Lindsay, Liz Phegan; **84:** Richard Hickey, Liz Jones; **83:** Eamonn Buckley, Joan Moylan, Clancy Family, Chrissie & Ray Trebilcock; **82:** John O'Keeffe, Genny Green, Cathy Nyhan; **81:** Joseph Kipper, Brian Millgate, Judy Warren; **79:** Kansas Michael; **77:** Les Murray; **72:** 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. 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. 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.

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

What a better tribute to Bede than to include this anagram prepared by Year 6 students and presented at last Tuesday's Farewell Liturgy and Assembly.

As a reflection of our time with Mr Hart, we have used the letters of his name, to share with you some of our thoughts, about our time here at school, with Mr Hart as our leader:

M is for Mercy. Our school's history began with the Sisters of Mercy, and Mr Hart has continued the Mercy tradition through his dedication to Catholic education, and his example of living out his faith.

R is for respect. Mr Hart has taught us to respect one another, not to judge others and to value their differences.

B is to be your best self, and to believe in yourself. A mantra that Mr Hart has given us.

E is for equipment: the wildspace, our new playground and all of our sports equipment. Mr Hart has worked hard to provide a beautiful and fun environment for us.

D is for 'Don't miss out on opportunities and don't give up'. These are words that Mr Hart often says, and we will remember for years to come.

E is for encouraging, Mr Hart is always encouraging to all and drives us to try new things with confidence.

H is for Mr Hart's heart, that's full of love for our school, each student and their family.

A is for always to be you, and be proud of how you are unique. Mr Hart knows each of us and recognizes our individuality.

R is for resilience. Mr Hart has taught us to be resilient by surrounding ourselves with good people, and to face challenges with a positive mindset.

T is for technology. Mr Hart believes in updating and expanding our technology to help provide us with the best tools for education and learning.

To conclude, Mr Hart has been one of the most influential people in our lives and in this school. He goes out of his way to cheer someone up or to make someone smile. He's one of the most kindest people you will ever meet.

The best principal in the world is definitely Mr Hart!

As a parish community 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.

In a recent address Pope Francis remarked 'The influence of an educator especially for young people depends more on what he is as a person and the way he lives than what he says'. Thank you Bede for always being a beacon of light to our St Anne's School community.

Parish Morning Tea

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

MEN'S BREAKFAST—Lavington & North Albury

On Saturday 8 June in the Sacred Heart Hall, North Albury at 7.45am. Eng: Kip **0417 669 717** or asleeper@bigpond.com

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Prophet Ezekiel

The spirit came into me and made me stand up and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, 'The Lord says this.' Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.' The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 122

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

Response: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

To you have I lifted up my eyes,
you who dwell in the heavens:
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves
on the hand of their lords. **R**

Like the eyes of a servant
on the hand of his mistress,
so our eyes are on the Lord our God
till he show us his mercy. **R**

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
We are filled with contempt.
Indeed all to full is our soul
with the scorn of the rich,
with the proud man's disdain. **R**

**Alleluia, alleluia!
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me:
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!**

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

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

The word of the Lord.



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 6: 1-6

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the Sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us? And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracles there, though he cured a few sick people by laying hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

The Gospel of the Lord.