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 5th/6th July

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:

Fr Martin Cruickshank—Parish Priest

Parish Office 9am-2pm

Gemma Whitehead—Monday

Fran Kernaghan—Wednesday & Friday

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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: 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 is held every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7.00pm in the parish hall.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY

Peace be with you, and welcome to this year's celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday—a sacred moment for our Church to gather as one in the love of Christ.

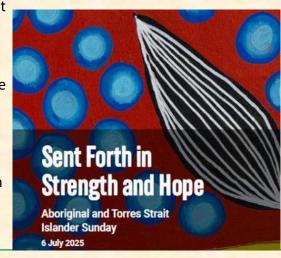
This year, we come together under the theme: "Sent Forth in Strength and Hope." It is Christ who sends us — to walk together in faith, grounded in the deep spirituality and culture of First Nations Peoples, strengthened by the Gospel, and filled with hope for the future God is leading us into

Our Catholic Church is a tapestry woven from many cultures. From the enduring wisdom of the world's oldest continuing cultures — the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples — to those who have journeyed from distant lands, we are one Body in Christ. In our diversity, we discover richness. In our unity, we find strength. And in every heart, we see the Spirit of God at work.

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) invites you to enter into today's Liturgy with open hearts. May it deepen your appreciation of First Nations spirituality, draw us closer in Christ, and renew our shared calling toward reconciliation, justice, and love.

Whether you're gathered in a Parish, school, or community,

may the Holy Spirit move among us and send us forth — in the strength of Christ and in the unshakable hope of the Gospel. Thank you for joining us. May God bless us all on this journey together.



Parish Community

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: John Quinn (Berrigan), Fr Peter

Thompson, Myrtle O'Keefe, John Warren, David Doolan, Rita Gamba, Rick Lindsay, Jan Regan, David Dynan.

ANNIVERSARIES: Patsy Marshall, John O'Keeffe, Anne Duck, Elizabeth Hore, Beryl Kelly, Christine Murphy, Keith Hodge, Ray Murray, Hermine Assigal, Maria Azzi, Reg l'Anson, Stan Lechmere, Mary Dodd, Sue Russell, Bill Cruickshank, Daryl Rickard, Br Maurice Esler, John Bylart, Patricia Higgins, Maureen Bullivant, Sinclair Parkinson, Kath Quirk, William Parker, Dorothy Finlayson, Nicholas McBrien, Martha Hodda, Heather Briggs, John Ziebarth, Leah Treloar, Dr Donato Savickis, Phoebe Ley.

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



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

Charlotte Marie Junek

Daughter of Mason and Annabelle

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 5th / 6th July			
Ministry	Vigil	9.30am	
Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2	Justin Clancy Kaye Deanshaw Xavier Clancy	Mercedes Goss Sr Carina Morton John Dowling	
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeneice Harding Nicole Morton	Volunteer please Sr Siony Marisa Hart	
Cantor Musicians	Brian Waters/John van Lint Val Hayes	Wendy and Helen	

Sat / Sun: 12th / 13th July		
Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Adrian Mitchelhill	Narelle Naughton
Lector 1	Jan Skinner	Sue McLaurin
Lector 2	Michael Byrnes	Mary Hunt
Eucharistic	Anna Farrell	Trish Parkinson
Ministers	Colleen Day	Sandra Temple
		Sr Patricia Weekes
Cantor	Judy Lindsay	David Hicks
Musicians	Judy Foley	Val Hayes

Counters: Richard & Trish Parkinson

Thought for the week Pope Leo XIV

"We must seek together how to be a missionary Church, a Church that builds bridges (and) dialogue, always open to receive (people), like this square, with open arms – everyone, all those who need our charity, our presence, dialogue and love"

<u>Aboriginal and Torres Strait</u> <u>Islander Sunday Prayer</u>

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.

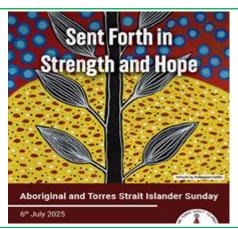
Let the Creator Spirit lead our journey with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples of this land.

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.



Parish News

TO PONDER:

Our readings are steeped in joy. They imagine, yearn for and promise new heavens and a new earth, the coming of the kingdom of God. This is a transformed, unified world of peace, justice and love. For Isaiah, Jerusalem becomes the centre of this new creation, a space of healing and renewal, where God will comfort and care for Israel as a loving mother tenderly cares for her children. The psalmist envisions this newness manifesting throughout nature and "all the earth". For Paul, our own bodies become the place of this new creation, united with Christ through the cross. How do you imagine new heavens and a new earth, the kingdom of God in this world or the next?

What would it look like to become a new creation now—in yourself, your family, your community?

Sacramental Information—First Holy Communion 2025

First Holy Communion for children in Year 4 and beyond will be celebrated at parish masses over the weekend of Saturday 30 August 6.00pm and Sunday 31 August 9.30am. Parents of possible candidates not attending St Anne's Primary School are asked to contact our parish office by email or phone so that you can be informed of the process for preparation.

Rite of Reconciliation: The second rite of reconciliation will be held in Sacred Heart Church on Tuesday 29 July at 6.00pm for children making the sacrament of reconciliation for the first time, their parents and families. Parishioners are also welcome to experience the gift of God's forgiveness and peace through the sacrament of penance.

Commitment Masses: Saturday 9 August 6.00pm and Sunday 10 August 9.30am

Sacred Heart Parish 70th Jubilee Celebrations Ignite Our Gifts For Future Generations

Our 70th Anniversary Committee invite all past and present parishioners, students and staff to celebrate our faith through the generations. Details are below:

Saturday 6 September Sacred Heart Hall—1.00pm History Through The Ages—Exhibition and Rotational Activities.

Sacred Heart Church—5.00pm—Mass of Celebration.

Xavier Catholic College—6.00pm—Dinner and Entertainment. Adults \$30; Children \$10.

Sunday 7 September Sacred Heart Church—9.30am Mass and Morning Tea. 11.00am—Concluding celebrations with the unveiling of the St Anne's mural.

Presently, we are seeking memorabilia for the 'My Story" interviews—the generations of families who have enlightened our future.

Alpha

Our morning Alpha program successfully concluded last Tuesday. Gratitude is extended to the organizing team, participants and those who provided welcome and food for the journey.

Our next Alpha course will begin on Wednesday 30 July at 4.30pm in our parish hall with a Come and See session. Nibbles and drinks will be provided. Ed Brown has agreed to lead this personal spiritual encounter and you are most welcome to attend. Any enquiries can be directed to the parish office by email or phone.

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

With the beginning of winter colder weather is coming and St Vincent de Paul is appealing for donations of quality blankets, doonas, bed linen and sleeping bags. These will make a big difference to the lives of those suffering financial insecurity and inadequate housing. These can be left in the baskets provided at Mate Street entrance of the church. Monetary donations can be placed in the envelopes provided and returned on either the first/second collection.

Balls of wool are available in the collection baskets which can be used to make scarves, beanies or other items.

Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place when school resumes next term Thursday 24 July at 6.00pm in our Parish Hall.

All agenda items need to reach the secretary Marjorie Serbinek: <u>m4serbinek@gmail.com</u> by Monday 21 July.

Sacred Heart 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 our parish office by email/phone. The other option is to use the tap and go machine by following the prompts when you arrive for mass.

2025/26 planned giving envelopes are ready for collection on the table at back of the church.

<u>Albury/Wodonga Prayer Breakfast—The Legacy of Prayer in</u> <u>Australia</u>

<u>Date:</u> Wednesday 23 July at 7.00am; <u>Where:</u> Albury Entertainment Centre, Swift Street Albury. <u>Speaker:</u> Dave Pellowe a specialist in Christian political education and Director of the ministry 'Church And State'.

<u>Bookings:</u> www.awpb.com.au <u>Tickets:</u> \$35 each or table of 10—\$300. <u>Email:</u> contact@awpb.com.au All welcome.

Parish Morning Tea

You are most welcome to join us for morning tea which will be shared at the conclusion of our celebration of Eucharist this Sunday 6 July in our parish hall.

Sacred Heart Footy Tipping Competition

Leaderboard End of Round 16

98 Cathy Nyhan; 97 Liz Jones; 95 Wendy Glazebrook, Joseph Kipper; 94 Fr Martin, Terry Cruickshank, Val Hayes, Kay Locke; 93 Bede Hart, Judy Lindsay, Richard Power; 91 Coyle Family, Kansas Michael, Ray Trebilcock; 90 Brian & Carmel Butts, Jason O'Keeffe, Joan Moylan; 89 John Dowling, John Grigg, Liz Phegan, Kevin Wesley; 88 Clancy Family, Anne & Paul Gibney, Richard Hickey; 87 Ed Brown; 86 Les Murray; 85 Melissa Daniher, Judy Warren; 84 Denis Shirley; 82 Ben Clancy; 81 Chrissie Trebilcock; 78 Brian Millgate, Matty Boyd, Genny Green; 76 Carey Family.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: From the prophet Isaiah 66:10—14

Rejoice Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her! That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breasts, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts. For this says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations. At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted. At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 65

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

Response: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,.
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise,
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! R

'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. R

He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. R

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul.
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me. R

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for them to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God. I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers and sisters. Amen. The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.. Alleluia!



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead

of him in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, 'Peace to this house!' And if someone of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on them; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves their wages; do not move from house to house, and eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, 'The Kingdom of God is very near you.' The seventy-two came back rejoicing. "Lord," they said 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes. I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.