



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.

ALL SOULS DAY *1st / 2nd November 2025*

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

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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: NO 9.30am Masses this week.

Thursday 6 November—Funeral Mass of thanksgiving for the life of Carolyn Wenke at 11.00am

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.

FEAST OF ALL SOULS

PENITENTIAL RITE

FR BERNIE: Christ, you are the light and our hope. Through your resurrection you shattered the bonds of death and offered new life to all who believe in you. Amid the pain of loss and grief, show us the way to discover the warmth and power of your love.

FR BERNIE: This first candle we light to remember those whom we have loved and who have died. We pause to remember their names, their faces, their voices, their memory that binds them to us in this season.

(Pause while first candle is lit.)

ALL: May God's eternal love surround them.

FR BERNIE: This second candle we light to redeem the pain of loss—the loss of relationships, the loss of jobs, the loss of health. (Pause while the second candle is lit.) We pause to gather up the pain of the past and offer it to God asking that from God's hands we receive the gift of peace.

ALL: Redeem, renew, restore, us O God and lead us into your future.

FR BERNIE: This third candle we light for ourselves. We pause to remember these past weeks, months and years; the disbelief, the anger, the down times, the hugs and handshakes of family and friends, all who stood with us. (Pause while third candle is lit.)

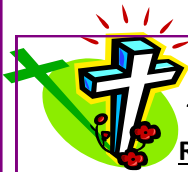
ALL: Let us remember that dawn defeats darkness.

FR BERNIE: This fourth candle we light to remember our faith and the gift of hope, which the resurrection of Jesus offers us. (Pause while fourth candle is lit.) We remember that God chose to share our life and to be 'Emmanuel' God with us.

ALL: Let us remember the one who shows the way, who brings the truth and who bears the light.

FR BERNIE: May Almighty God have mercy on us forgive us our sins and bring us to the gift of eternal life.

Parish Community



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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Matthew Borg, Carolyn Wenke, Maureen Rourke, Arli Coelli, Margaret Esler, Annette Maloney, Molly Hopkins, Michael Dunkerley, Joan Plunkett, Frank Glennon, Pat Boyd, Stephen McLeod-Nibbs.

ANNIVERSARIES: Bernard Hore, Lloyd Kennedy, Laurie Dykes, Margaret Steele, Geraldine Steele, Mary Cruickshank, Jim Rosewarne, Margaret Corby, Agnes Black, Jim Thompson, Mary Hutchinson, Josephine Estevez, Elsa Morton, Lionel Mitchell, Norma Duffy, Patricia White, John Murray, John Cullen, John Cummins, Jan Ryc, Mavis Waser, Baron Lethbridge, Tony Kirley, Ceily Kirley, Valerie Scales, Lil McAuliffe, Bob Norman, Irene Berg, Frank Gain, Keith Barnett, Kathleen Grove, Alan Buckhorn, William Hudson. *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 November

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Jan Skinner	Roy Thompson
Lector 1	Catherine Cutler	Mercedes Goss
Lector 2	Michael Byrnes	Sandra Temple
Eucharistic Ministers	Patricia Hopkins Nicole Morton	Sue Betts Moira Porta Sr Siony
Cantor Musicians	John van Lint/Brian Waters Judy Foley	Bob Mathews Val Hayes
Counters: Barry Pickett & Bernie Seaton		

Sat / Sun: 8th / 9th November

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Nicole Morton	Roy Thompson
Lector 1	Paula Waters	Bethany Carey
Lector 2	Jan Skinner	Sr Patricia Weekes
Eucharistic Ministers	Catherine Cutler Justin Clancy	Carey Menz-Dowling Sue McLaurin Mercedes Goss
Cantor Musicians	Brian Waters/John van Lint Val Hayes	Bernadette, Wendy and Helen
Counters:		

Thought for the week Pope Leo XIV

'The love of God has no limits we are called to let ourselves be embraced and shaped by that love'.

Prayer for All Souls

Into your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.

In this life you embraced them with your tender love and now we pray that their souls may rest in peace.

The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and forever.

Amen.



Parish News

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

The Church's liturgical calendar lists this coming Saturday as the Feast of All saints and Sunday as the Commemoration of All who have died with faith and trust in God (All Souls' Day).

While, on this coming Saturday, we celebrate and salute all those who throughout the history of Christianity have been recognised as holy, all those whose holiness has been formally recognised and affirmed by the institutional Church, on Sunday, we remember all those family members and friends who have already died. We recall the good they have done and the inspiration and encouragement they have given us through their goodness, love and generosity. And we pray that, through the love and mercy of God, they will be welcomed into eternal peace and happiness, even though they have been touched, like us, with human frailty.

We call to mind that Jesus, in his lifetime, personified God's gracious mercy and love in action. That mercy and love are offered to us freely by God, and without condition, and are certainly not able to be earned. In faith we pray that those who have gone before us will be open to accept what God freely offers all of us who are sisters and brothers to Christ and to one another.

In the prayers we pray for our deceased sisters and brothers on this coming Sunday when we thank God for their lives, for their inspiration and their goodness, we bring them in trust and gratitude to the notice of our loving God and thank God for all the good that has come to us through them.

Alpha Gathering

Our parish post Alpha gathering continues this Tuesday 4th November at 10.00am in the hall. Our discussion this month is on Baptism in the Spirit and Fire. We are using the Wild Goose series each month to help us reflect on our relationship with God's spirit and how he is guiding us in our daily lives. All past participants of any Alpha program are welcome to attend.

November Parish Morning Tea

An opportunity to discuss your tip for the Melbourne Cup with good company and enjoyable food. As usual at the conclusion of 9.30am mass this Sunday 2 November in our Parish Hall. All welcome.

World Mission Sunday

We would like to thank you for your generosity supporting the Church in Zambia and missionaries like Sr Jane and Kayula. **Thanks to your kindness, women like Sharon will have the skills to provide for their families, and mothers like Grace can give birth with dignity. Your gift will also support a variety of Church programs around the world.** To learn more about the impact your support is making, please visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work.

So far we have raised \$1,559.70! If you have not already done so and wish to contribute please place your donation in envelopes provided and place in collection bags.

Fr Martin—Annual Leave

Fr Martin will be taking holiday leave from Saturday 1 November—Friday 28 November.

We welcome back to our parish communities Fr Bernie Thomas who will celebrate Eucharist with us on weekends in Fr Martin's absence.

If you need the urgent pastoral ministry of a priest please contact St Patrick's Albury on **0439 530 515**, Thurgoona **6088 6222** or Holy Spirit, Lavington **6025 1784**.

Our office will be staffed as usual, Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9.00am—2.00pm. So for all other enquiries please contact Gemma or Fran.

Fr Bernie has kindly agreed to help out with funerals at Sacred Heart Church as required.

2025 Parish Mass Attendance Count

The Bishops Office has requested that a count of weekend mass attendance be carried out over the first **4 weekends of November**—2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd November in all parish communities of the diocese.

Someone has been assigned to do a silent count after the collections have been taken up over those weekends.

November Book of Life

November is traditionally the month to remember the Holy Souls. Our Book of Life is displayed at the front of the church during the month of November. If you would like to add family members to this book there are sheets of paper and sleeves inside front of book.

November Mass Envelopes will also be available at Church entrances if you wish to request a Mass or prayers for your deceased family members or friends.

Together

Our diocesan newspaper 'Together' for the month of October 2025 has arrived. Of note is the article prepared by Lorraine Willis, Chairperson of Sacred Heart Parish Pastoral Council for the 70th Jubilee celebrations which appears on page 7. Please take a copy from entrances to the church.

Sacred Heart Parishioners

Christmas Lunch

A gathering of parishioners who are at a loose end or won't have the company of family will take place on Christmas Day in our Parish Hall for lunch.

If you would like to attend please contact the parish office by email or add your name and contact details to the list at the Swan Street entrance.

Mercy Night—St Patrick's Church, Albury

The Emmanuel Community will be hosting an evening to encounter God's love and mercy through Adoration, Confession, testimony and prayer on Friday 14 November from 7.30pm to 9.00pm at St Patrick's Church Albury. Open to all people wanting to grow closer to the Lord—or those who want to encounter the Lord for the first time.

Enquiries: Sam 0404 306 107.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: From the prophet Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food.

On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever.

The Lord God will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 26

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

Response: The Lord is my light and salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink? **R.**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. **R.**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call:
have mercy and answer.

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face. **R.**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.

Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.

Hope in the Lord! **R.**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 5:5-11

Hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man—though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die—but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we already gained our reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 7:11-17

Jesus went to a town called Nain, accompanied by his disciples and a great number of people. When he was near the gate of the town it happened that a dead man was being carried out for burial, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a considerable number of the townspeople were with her. When the Lord saw her he felt sorry for her. 'Do not cry,' he said. Then he went up and put his hand on the bier and the bearers stood still, and he said, 'Young man, I tell you to get up'. And the dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Everyone was filled with awe and praised God saying, 'A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.'

And this opinion of him spread throughout Judaea and all over the countryside.

The Gospel of the Lord.