



Sacred Heart Parish North Albury

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ALL SAINTS - 31st Oct / 1st Nov 2026

Parish Priest - Father Martin Cruickshank

Secretaries

9am - 2pm Monday - Gemma Whitehead

9am - 2pm Friday - Frances Kernaghan

Mass times

No Weekday Masses during November

6pm Saturday

9:30am Sunday

Reconciliation - 5:15pm - 5:45pm Saturday

Baptisms & Weddings - By appointment

Children's Liturgy is held 9.30am the second and fourth Sunday during school terms.

Direct deposit donations - Church account (second collection for the support of our Sacred Heart Parish)

BSB - 066 789 Account number - 10000 5574

Please contact the office for a reference number.

Presbytery account for the support of our Diocesan Priests

BSB - 066 789 Account number - 10000 5575

We thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

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

Safeguarding Officer for Sacred Heart Parish - Adrian Mitchelhill E: nasafeguarding@wagga.catholic.org.au
wagga.catholic.org.au/safeguarding-children-vulnerable-people

A letter from Catholic Mission to Sacred Heart Parish Community

Dear Fr Martin,

I wish to thank you and your Sacred Heart Parish community for the wonderful welcome and hosting of Fr Matthew Semba last weekend in the celebration of World Mission Sunday.

I have had endless number of dealings with Parishes over the years and your Parish stands out as a vibrant place of welcome, engagement and commitment to the universal mission of the Church. As you well know, we had many obstacles to overcome in assisting Fr Matthew to even get to Australia. The decision to bring him to North Albury, only a few hours after his arrival in Melbourne, has proven to be a very good one indeed. It was exactly the kind of introduction to the Church in Australia that we had envisaged for Fr Matthew, and he was overwhelmed by the generosity of spirit and genuine interest shown in his ministry in Malawi.

I can't thank you and the Parish Council enough for your kindness, flexibility and support. We were so impressed with the number of Parishioners who attended the morning tea and who provided the hospitality. There was a wonderful atmosphere the whole weekend we were there.

May your Parish continue to thrive and make such a difference in people's lives. Please find attached a few photographs of the day that you may like to use in your various Parish communications. *Mark Raue (Director of Catholic Mission)*

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.

Parish Community

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

Recently Deceased: John Bourke (Jerilderie), Mary Gargano, Frank Kelly (Finley), Ashley Willis, Gerald Dore, Marie Ford (Toowoomba), Michael Hickey, Elizabeth Yates, Christopher Kloppenborg, John McTigue, Doreen Spalding, Shirley Furlong, Terry Cruickshank.

Anniversaries: Mary Cruickshank, Laurie Dykes, Margaret Corby, Josephine Estevez, Agnes Black, Jim Thompson, Mary Hutchinson, Lionel Mitchell, Elsa Morton, Patricia White, John Murray, Lil McAuliffe, Bob Norman, Norma Duffy, John Cummins, Jan Ryc, Mavis Waser, George McKee, Valerie Scales, Irene Berg, Frank Gain, Keith Barnett, Alan Buckhorn, William Hudson, Kathleen Grove, Isabel Fietz, James Franklin, James Thompson, Mary Drum.

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

Volunteer Rosters

Sat/Sun 31st Oct / 1st Nov 2026

6pm Commentator: Justin Clancy

Readers: Michael Byrnes, Jan Skinner

Eucharistic Ministers: Patricia Hopkins, Anna Farrell

Cantor: All Cantors **Musicians:** Judy Foley

9.30am Commentator: Narelle Naughton

Readers: Liz Phegan, Kay Morell

Eucharistic Ministers: Sr Siony, Carey Menz-Dowling, Anna Muir

Cantor: Heath Neville, Margie & Ed Brown

Counters: Trish Parkinson & Anne Gordes

Sat/Sun 7th / 8th Nov 2026

6pm Commentator: Michael Byrnes

Readers: Jacqui & Pippa Cuthbertson

Eucharistic Ministers: Catherine Cutler, Justin Clancy

Cantor: Brian Waters & John Van Lint **Musicians:** Judy Foley

9.30am Commentator: Roy Thompson

Readers: Bethany Carey, Narelle Naughton

Eucharistic Ministers: Sue McLaurin, Mercedes Goss, Fran Kernaghan

Cantor: David Hicks **Musicians:** Val Hayes

Counters: Margaret Brown



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

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.

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Pope Leo XIV quote of the week:

Pope Leo describes the Beatitudes as "lights that the Lord kindles in the darkness of history, revealing the plan of salvation that the Father accomplishes through the Son, with the power of the Holy Spirit"



Parish Weekly News

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

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

While, on this coming Sunday, 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 Monday, 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 Monday 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.

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.*

**Fr Bernie Thomas will celebrate Mass with us on Monday
2 November at 9.30am for Feast of All Souls.**

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 1 November in our parish hall.

Alpha Gathering

Our parish post Alpha gathering continues this Tuesday 3 November at 10.00am in the hall. *"The Spirit Gives Witness"* is our theme from Wild Goose series. All welcome.

Fr Martin - Annual Leave

Fr Martin will be taking holiday leave from Saturday 31 October - Friday 27 November.

We welcome back to our parish communities Fr Bernie Thomas who will celebrate Eucharist with us on weekend's in Fr Martin's absence. Fr Bernie will also celebrate mass with us for the Feast of All Souls on Monday 2 November at 9.30am.

During this time if you need the urgent pastoral ministry of a priest please contact St Patrick's Albury on 0439 530 515; Thurgoona 60 886 222 or Holy Spirit Lavington 6025 1784. Our parish office will be staffed on Monday and Friday between 9.00am - 2.00pm. So, for all other enquiries please contact Gemma or Fran.

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

Catholic Mission Sunday - Thank You

On behalf of the Church in Malawi, thank you once again for your generosity. Your support is helping create spaces where children like Yamikani* can learn, families can rebuild, and communities can move forward together.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to donate, please visit **catholicmission.org.au/united** to lend your support today.

Through projects like St Peter's Nyamikuta Primary School, the Church is creating a place where children can learn, be nourished, and grow with dignity, regardless of their background or beliefs.

Join with us in celebration and action by supporting this work with a compassionate gift. Use the envelopes provided and place on one of the collections or visit: catholicmission.org.au/united
So far we have raised **\$3,311.50**

November Book of Life

November is traditionally the month to remember the Holy Souls. Our Book of Life will be displayed next weekend 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.

Columban Calendar Orders 2027

St Vincent de Paul has relinquished purchasing Columban Calendars. If you would like to purchase a calendar for 2027 please contact the parish office by phone/email or add your name to the list provided at Swan Street entrance to church.

Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse 7:2-4, 9-14

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel. After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, "Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen."

One of the elders then spoke and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, "You can tell me, my Lord." Then he said, "These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb." The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm 24

**Response: Lord, this is the people that longs
to see your face**

*The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm. R*

*Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things. R*

*He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob. R*

A reading from the first letter of St John 3:1-3

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we
know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we
shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this
hope must purify themselves, must try to be as pure as Christ.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened,
and I will give you rest.

Alleluia, alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down
and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak.

This is what he taught them;

How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle: they shall inherit the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.' The Gospel of the Lord