



SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER 2016 2nd . 9th . 16th . 23rd

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# SUNDAYS NOCTOBER 2016

### MONTH OF DRAYER AND FASTING FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILIES

### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>

For the flourishing of marriages and families in Australia

### Sunday 9th

For the strengthening of marriages and families in distress

Scripture and the Church's history give us many examples of the great impact when a whole community undertakes prayer and fasting together.

Join us for a month of prayer and fasting to be held in parishes, schools and homes across the nation during the month of October 2016.

We hope that in this time of national conversation on the subject of marriage we can encourage all to pray for the well-being of marriages and families, and in a particular way for people who are same-sex attracted or gender questioning. We also pray for a respectful national discussion on marriage.

### Sunday 16th

Today and throughout this week we pray for all persons who experience same sex attraction or gender uncertainty and their families

### Sunday 23rd

For a respectful and fair national discussion on marriage and an outcome that preserves God's plan for marriage





### Sunday 2nd October

Today and throughout this week we pray for all marriages and families in Australia.

Heavenly Father, grant that our families may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches. Make us ever more mindful of the sacredness and beauty of the family in God's plan.

### Sunday 16th October

Today and throughout this week we pray for all persons who experience same sex attraction or gender uncertainty and their families.

Heavenly Father, grant true peace and joy to our family members and friends who experience same sex attraction or gender uncertainty. May we be sensitive and supportive especially in times of trial. Lead us to deeper faith as we all strive for Christian perfection.

### Sunday 9th October

Today and throughout this week we pray for all families in distress. Heavenly Father, grant healing to all families in distress, especially those burdened with strained relationships. Draw close to all families who have experienced violence, upheaval, illness or division: May all who have been wounded find ready comfort and healing.

### Sunday 23rd October

Today and throughout this week we pray for the national discussion on marriage. Holy Heavenly Father, grant that all Australians may show mutual respect for one another as we prepare for a national people's vote. Guide the hearts and minds of all who vote so that our nation may uphold your plan for marriage and families.

### The Practical Importance of 'Making Jesus Real'

"One of the main things that has struck me during the Year of Mercy is the way that the message of Mercy connects with the everyday lives of people," writes the Bishop of Wilcannia-Forbes, Columba Macbeth-Green.

In many of our schools there is a program called Making Jesus Real. It focuses on bringing the theological understanding of Jesus Christ, Our Redeemer, into a practical connection with children. Children in our schools are encouraged to consciously bring Jesus right into the centre of their lives. They are encouraged to wonder, in many of the moments of their ordinary day: What would Jesus do? The result is that Jesus becomes a "real" and very practical part of a student's day. A connection is made between Our Lord and the young student that is both tangible and transforming.

I think the message of Mercy that the Holy Father has asked us to share during this Year of Mercy is very much about bringing Jesus right into the heart of all we do. We are called to consciously make Jesus a real presence in every ordinary moment of our day.

I was blessed this year to be able to accompany 40 pilgrims from my Diocese to World Youth Day, whose theme was: "Blessed are the Merciful." Naturally, there was a great emphasis on the theme and experience of Mercy in our lives. Those who travelled with me have come home with some powerful stories to tell of their experiences of Mercy on this wonderful pilgrimage. Cardinal Timothy Dolan from New York inspired many with his reflections on Mercy and encouraged us all to: "Receive God's Mercy, be Merciful to others, and importantly, be merciful with ourselves."

To receive God's Mercy, we need to know and believe that God is loving and Merciful and wants to shower us with that love. On our part, we

must be humble enough to admit we need God's Mercy, and humble enough to believe that God wants to give us this gift, through the Church and in particular through the Sacraments.

Being merciful to others is Making Jesus Real. It is to apply the criterion – What would Jesus do, in this situation, for that person and for me? What would Jesus say to me? How might I be Christ in this moment for someone else? A smile to someone who looks stressed, a prayer for someone who has hurt me, spending time to listen to someone "vent," being gentle and forgiving of my own mistakes, are all ways we can show Mercy. These are all ways we can be Christ for others and for ourselves.

I would say that for many people, being merciful to oneself is probably the hardest thing to do. To believe with all our heart that God loves us and will never turn His back on us, that there is nothing one can do that can't be forgiven, that when God forgives it is real, is to believe in a marvelously powerful and transforming reality.

We need first, however, to forgive ourselves and never say that our own personal sins are greater than God's Mercy for us. We need to remember that no matter the state of our lives, our mistakes, our misery, our feelings of helplessness, our feelings of being unwanted and unloved, that the reality of God's longing and love for us is constant and true. We need to try to remember that we are always precious to God, no matter what. God is always waiting for us, always longing to forgive, to heal and to give us rest.

I have already seen many graces given and received during this Year of Mercy. My prayer is that the Church's focus on Mercy continues well after the Jubilee Year has ended and that we might truly begin to know the extraordinary power of love that is ours to experience fully through the great Mercy of God.



### Sacred Heart Parish

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### SACRED HEART PARISH MASS TIMES

Sacred Heart Church: Inverell Saturday (Vigil Mass) 6:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Monday, Tuesday and 1st Saturday 9:30 am Wednesday, Thursday and 1st Friday 12:00 noon 1st Friday Adoration and Benediction 12:30 PM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:30 to 5:30 pm

1st & 3rd Sunday 8:00 to 8:30 am

McLean Retirement Village

Friday (EXCEPT 1ST FRIDAY) 11:00 am

St. Patrick's Church: Ashford

1st & 3rd Sunday 11:30 am

St. Francis' Church: Tingha

2nd & 4th Sunday 7:00 am

St. Joseph the Worker Church: Yetman

5th Sunday 12:30 pm

Nota bene: You may contact the Parish Priest on 0412771516

### 27th Sunday C



### PARISH SCHEDULES this WEEK...

MONDAY:

9:00 AM

HOSPÍTAL VISITATION

3:00 PM

TUESDAY:

Rosary

9:00 AM

WEDNESDAY:

Rosary & Angelus

11:30 AM

HOME ROSARY

7:00 PM

Shirley Hardy (unit 39/34 Henderson street) Tingha Home Rosary 4:30 PM

Bernie & Colleen Graham (11 Diamond Street)

THURSDAY:

Rosary & Angelus Home Visitation

11:30 AM

FRIDAY:

Rosary & Angelus

2:30 PM

1st Friday MASS

11:30 AM 12:00 PM

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** BENEDICTION Hospital Visitation

12:30 PM 3:00 PM

SATURDAY:

**BAPTISM** 

11:00 AM

JORJA MARINA JUNE MYERS



Are you new in our Parish? Let the Sacred Heart Parish community

Kindly register on our "New Parishioners" book and we will set a date to officially welcome YOU. ank you and welcome to your new parish.



### **ROSTERS THIS WEEK**

Greeters Projector OP. Readers Commentator/P of F. Bread & Wine Communion Ministers

Altar Servers

Music Ministry Cantor Collection Offeror Children's Liturgy Sunday Morning tea Counters

### **ROSTERS NEXT WEEK**

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### 1 October / Sat. 6 pm

**VOLUNTEERS** S SZUMOWSKI A CASEY-RANSOM, N TURNER SR CORAL N & J COOK T NEWBERRY, J GREEN, T MANUEL, A MICHAEL I & K HUTCHING

D GIBSON GROUP G GIBSON M WARD

### 2 October / Sun. 9 am

P CONSTABLE R McGREGOR R LONG, M ROBINSON S HOLLIS ALMOITE FAMILY J HARRIS, J RAINGER, M JORDAN, VOLUNTEER A & N SIBÚL

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### Altar Society ROSTERS

<u>October</u>

Yvonne Hawkins Ann Tubb Maree Chie Mary Middleton

**November** 

Rosanna Pliego Evelvn Sibul Chanese Buenvenida

### December

Ronah Villanueva Girlie Villamor Chanese Buenvenida Victoria Talampas

### **TULABUT & PLIEGO FAMILY** TEAM: B BALDWIN, B GARDNER, R TUTT, R WITHERDIN

### 8 October / Sat. 6 pm

**VOLUNTEERS** SR CORAL D ADSEY, N McCOSKER 1 KFILY CASEY-RANSOM FAMILY M SCHOFIELD, M GAUKROGER, R & T TRAVES J HOLLIS, M STEVENS, **B & C HORNER** FILIPINO CHOIR

G FLEMING SR.

### 9 October / Sun. 9 am

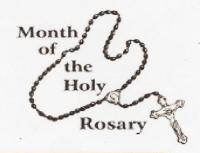
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FILIPINO CHOIR

**B PISCHKE** 

### **DIMAANO & NAVARRO GROUP**

**TEAM: J FRATER, D HANNIGAN** 



The Sacred Heart Parish acknowledges the Kamilaroi people, the traditional owners and custodian of the land on which we stand. We pay our respects to them and for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon this land. And we pray that peace and harmony prevail. GOD BLESS AUSTRALIA.

We Pray for the Sick

Linda Leader, Maree Chie, Baby Rose Kennedy, Margaret Muggleton, Dianne O'Connor, Pat Schuman, Brett Romer, Dolores (Tootie) Rolfe, Margaret Polock, Laurel Barker, Anthony Simpson, Kath Hiscox, David Sanders, Sr. Judith Carney RSM, Debbie Radford, Harold Castledine, Irene Dasey, Gwen Zemit, Jenny (Ryan) Dwyer, Mary Schembri, Brian Barker, Tony Seitz, Anne Gleeson, Anne Di Costanzo, Lisa Hopgood, Agnes Hannigan,

and all the sick members of our parish whose names are not listed here.

### We Pray for the Recently Deceased

Gladys Davis, Blake Hallam (grandson of Jill Hallam) Marie Boulus, Frank Jordan, Shirley O'Brien, Bette Kennedy, Gloria Walker (aunt of Noela Turner) Sr. Rita Hassett (Mercy Sister), Annette Clare Fleming, Robert Edgar Vanags (grandfather of Megan Gaukroger), Spencer Cook, Joyce Thompson (sister of June Saint), Noella Sims (sister of Shirley Hardy), Pamela Boulus

Anniversaries: Diane Harris, Geoff & Peg McCosker

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.



For the repose of the souls of :

Diane Harris, Geoff & Peg McCosker, Marie and Norman Robinson

For the speedy recovery of the sick especially Linda Leader

### **IUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY COMMITTEE**

MEETING ON MONDAY 10th October 2016 4:00 PM at the Meeting Room.

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEETING ON MONDAY 10th October 2016 5:30 PM at the Meeting Room.

Men's Breakfast 8th OCT., Saturday 7:30 am

At the New Australian Café Corner Otho & Evans St. Names to Bernie Cook at 67224387 by Wednesday Night Oct. 5th. ALL ARE WELCOME!

### Women's Breakfast 14th October 2016, Friday

2nd Friday of the month at the Bridge Coffee Lounge. We would love to have other ladies of the parish to join us. Please phone Ann Barry on 67222858 or Marj Manuel on 67224772. **Everyone welcome.** 



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## MONTH OF DRAYER AND FASTING FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILIES

Parish Picnic at the Park
and
Welcoming of New Parishioners

23<sup>rd</sup> October

after the 9:00 am Sunday Mass

"Come and Celebrate as one Family, one community, one Parish, one grateful Eucharistic Community".

### Kairos Outside weekend!!!

For any women who is a relative, supporter of current or former prison inmate. The weekend is FREE and there is ongoing support after the weekend.

29th - 31st October 2016 at Lake Keepit

For further details contact:

Jean Bell at 0407625410 or Rosemary Breen at 0402531844

Diocesan Pilgrimage for the closing of Year of Mercy!!!

"Feast of CHRIST the KING"

Eucharistic Celebration and Procession at the Cathedral Precinct

Sunday 20th November 2016

No Sunday Morning Mass in our Parish: Transportation will be provided for those who will join the PILGRIMAGE.

Many Thanks to:

"Jim & Kay Harmon"

For sponsoring the Bus Transport to Armidale Pilgrimage...

57 seats on the BUS, kindly write your names to reserve.

Collections Last Weekend (Your support for your Parish and for your priest)

1st Collection: \$ 911.35

2nd Collection: \$ 760.00 Loose Collections: \$ 57.20 Direct Debit: \$ 275.00