



Sacred Heart Parish Church
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Office Hours: Mon 17 May & Fri 21 May - 8am to 1pm
Thurs 20 May - 8am to 12 noon

PARISH MASS TIMES

Sacred Heart Church Inverell

Saturday 6.00pm (5.30pm from May to August)
 Sunday 9.00am

Monday, Tuesday and 1st Saturday 9.30am
 Wednesday and Thursday 12 noon
 1st Friday Mass and Benediction 12 noon
 First Wednesday Anointing Mass 12 noon

McLean Village Each Friday except 1st Friday 11.00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 8.15am - 9.15am
 Sunday 8.00am - 8.30am

Tingha St. Francis' Church Saturday 4.00pm
Ashford St Patrick's Church 1st & 3rd Sunday 11.00am

Bundarra St Mary of the Angels 2nd & 4th Sun 11.00am

Yetman St Joseph the Worker 5th Sunday 11.30am

Baptism (Saturday only) 11am;
Marriages and Funerals by Appointment
For emergencies please phone 0428-126703

WINTER MASS TIMES FOR SATURDAY EVENINGS
 Commencing Sat 1 May the vigil Mass on Saturday evenings will start at 5.30pm. This will continue until Sat 7 Aug.

All communion ministers are required to receive the flu vaccination prior to continuing your ministry this year.

The **Australian Catholic Bishops Conference** has asked each parish to conduct a count of people in attendance at Masses each weekend in May. Please come and be counted. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.



O Sacrament Divine,
All Praise and all Thanksgiving,
be every moment Thine...

PARISH SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

MAY - THE HOLY MONTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

MON 17th	Rosary Mass	9.00am 9.30am
TUE 18th	Rosary Communion Service	9.00am 9.30am
WED 19th	Rosary Mass	11.30am 12 Noon
THUR 20th	Rosary Mass	11.30am 12 Noon
FRI 21st	HTS Mass (Secondary) McLean Mass	9.15am 11.00am

OUR VISION AND OUR MISSION

We as a **PARISH**, try to live out our **VISION**: To continually form a Christ-centred community based on the Gospel Values expressed through **SERVICE** in peace, justice and love. **MISSION**: To know Christ more, His life and His teachings. To imbibe Christ's message of love and service. To try to share generously what graces and blessings we have and to be instruments of the Gospel message.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Rest of the soul of Sue Spackman; Special prayers for mothers

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Joan Ticehurst, Laurel King (wife of Tony) Fr John Willis, John Crabbe, Marie Ward, Jenny Turner, Wayne Jones, Emma Donaldson, Wayne Lackey, Tony Starr, Leo Germany, Baby Isabel Akhil, Joan Hiscox, Paul Saint, Kerrie O'Keefe, Sr Leo (Josie) Clancy, John Sanders, Rex Parry, Danny Dickins, Katrina Newbigin, Bob Kneipp, Brian Barker, Denise Taveira, Joanne Essey, Graham Tom, Fred Boight, Agnes Hannigan **and the sick members of our parish whose names are not listed here.**

We Pray for the Recently Deceased & for the Anniversaries of

Fr Peter Liu, Noel More, Mathew Poovathinkal (uncle of Fr James), Margaret Hanna (sister-in-law of Bishop Hanna), Ian "Spag" Spalding, John Scanlon, Dick Hayden, Shirley Hardy, Edilene Concordia, Shari Nobbs (granddaughter of Joan Ticehurst), Rhonda Lee Watts (daughter of Phyllis Nichols). **Eternal life grant unto them Oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

HOME ROSARY	
Tingha	Bernie & Colleen Graham 11 Diamond Street Wednesday 19 May at 4.30pm (Every Wednesday)
Inverell	No Home Rosary this week



ALTAR SOCIETY ROSTER FOR MAY
 Carmel McCosker & Pat McCosker

UPCOMING MEETINGS		
Pastoral Council	Wed 19 May 2021	5.00pm
Finance Committee	Mon 12 July 2021	5.30pm
Liturgy Committee	Sat 8 June 2021	8.30am

Dealing with the Drought, Bushfires and/or COVID-19?
 No charge video counselling now available for our local area. Please call 1300 152 854 to request a Video Counselling Appointment with the Lifeline Community Counselling Service. More info available at www.lifeline.org.au/community-counselling
 No fees payable. No referral required.

COVID 19 SAFETY PLAN FOR OUR PARISH
Mass attendance, Weddings, and Funerals: The Sacred Heart Church can accommodate a maximum of **150** worshippers at a time. **Contact Sheets:** placed at each opened entrance to the Church. **Parishioners** attending the Church are required to record their full names. **Visitors** are required to record their name **and** contact details. This is a health tracing requirement in case of a Corona Virus outbreak. The contact sheets will be removed after each Mass and kept confidential. If you prefer to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, please wait until all other parishioners have been before approaching the altar. If you are **unwell** please stay at home. **If you require Home Communion contact the office.**

MAY 16 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR B

"Out of compassion for us He descended from Heaven and although He ascended alone, we also ascend, because we are in Him by grace." - St Augustine

A friendly reminder: Please maintain a respectful atmosphere of reverence before and after each Mass so those praying may do so without distraction. Any conversation should be conducted quietly. Also, please remember to turn off your mobile devices.

"By devoutly assisting at Holy Mass you render the greatest homage possible to the Sacred Humanity of Our Lord."
St Leonard

Data Projector Operators Needed

We are desperately looking for a few more people to operate the Data Projector at weekend Masses. It is not difficult, and training will be provided. If you feel you could help in this way, please contact either Carmel on 6722 3732 or Ann on 6722 1039.

Reading Ministry Training Catch Up Session

A repeat of the refresher/training session for those already on the roster for our Reading/Commentator ministry will be held after morning Mass on Sunday 23 May (approx. 9.50am). Anyone who could not attend the earlier session or who would like to join this important ministry is also invited to attend. This should only take 20-30 mins. Many thanks, Liturgy Committee

Expressions of Interest - Parish Secretary Position (14hr/wk)

June Turner will retire on 31 July. We are inviting expressions of interest from anyone interested in filling this position. For information, please contact Fr James.

Special Collection for the Philippines & India - Sunday 16 May

A special collection will be taken up this Sunday to send to the Philippines & India to assist with their struggle against the Covid19 situation currently causing havoc and despair in those countries. The funds collected will be forwarded to the La Salette Missionary Fathers in the Philippines and the Rogationist Missionary Fathers in India for them to distribute to people on the ground in communities where it is most needed. Our Diocese has a special relationship with both these missionary congregations and are appreciative that they can now help us to aid others in their respective countries with these funds from the parishioners of our Diocese.

Envelopes are provided in the pews. Please donate generously.



Pope invites faithful to monthlong rosary marathon for end of Covid19 situation. 30 sanctuaries located all over the world and dedicated to the Virgin Mary, including St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, during the month of May will recite the rosary in unison to pray for the end of the terrible Covid19 situation and for the resumption of social activity and work.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPORT OF YOUR PRIESTS AND UPKEEP OF THE CHURCH

The continued generosity of parish members is greatly appreciated. For those who would prefer to make donations by direct deposit the details of the Sacred Heart Parish Accounts are as follows:

1st Collection: Presbytery for priest support
 BSB 082105 A/C 001023550

2nd Collection: Church for upkeep & maintenance
 BSB 082105 A/C 001001010

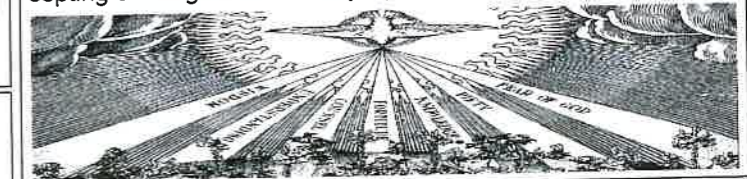
For those on the Plan Giving Program could you please quote your surname and envelope number for the reference. Thank you.



Ascension Prayer

We Beseech you, Almighty God, that we who believe Your only-begotten Son our Redeemer, to have ascended this day into Heaven, may ourselves dwell in spirit and heavenly things. Amen

Please pray for all our Confirmation Candidates, their families, and all our parishioners so that they may fully be open and accepting of the gifts of the Holy Spirit.



Reflection Had Christ remained on earth, sight would have taken the place of faith. In heaven, there will be no faith because His followers will see; there will be no hope, because they will possess; but there will be love for love endureth forever! In the Ascension, the Saviour did not lay aside the garment of flesh with which He had been clothed; for His human nature would be the pattern of the future glory of other human natures, which would become incorporated to Him through a sharing of His life. Intrinsic and deep was the relation between His Incarnation and His Ascension. The Incarnation or the assuming of a human nature made it possible for Him to suffer and redeem. The Ascension exulted into glory that same human nature that was humbled to the death. A Coronation upon the earth, instead of an Ascension into heaven, would have confined men's thoughts of Him to the earth. But the Ascension would cause men's minds and hearts to ascend above the earth. In relation to Himself, it was fitting that the human nature which He took as the instrument for teaching, and governing, and sanctifying, should partake of glory as it shared in shame. It was very hard to believe that He, Who was the Man of Sorrows and acquainted with grief, was the beloved Son in Whom the Father was well pleased. It was difficult to believe that He, Who did not come down from a Cross, could ascend into heaven, or that the momentary glory that shone about Him on the Mount of the Transfiguration was a permanent possession. The Ascension put all such doubts away by introducing His human nature into intimate and eternal communion with God. The human nature which He took was mocked as a Prophet when they blindfolded Him and asked Him to tell who struck Him; He was mocked as a King when they put upon Him a mock-robe of royalty and gave Him a reed of straw for a sceptre; finally He was mocked as a Priest when they challenged Him, Who as offering Himself as a Victim, to come down from the Cross. By the Ascension His triple office of Teacher, King, and Priest was vindicated.

Venerable Servant of God, Archbishop Fulton J Sheen

ROSTER	15May-Sat 5.30pm	16May-Sun 9am	22May-Sat 5.30pm	23May-Sun 9am
GREETERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
PROJECTOR	S SZUMOWSKI	MJ GUEST	N TURNER	Holy Trinity School
READERS	D DASEY	G TAVEIRA	SR CORAL	Holy Trinity School
COMMENTATOR	P ARMSTRONG	R LONG	N MCCOSKER	Holy Trinity School
COMMUNION MINISTER	N TURNER	J HARRIS	A MICHAEL	Holy Trinity School
COLLECTORS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
COUNTERS		B & C GRAHAM, A & H MCARDLE		B BALDWIN & B GARDNER