



Sacred Heart Parish Church
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Office Hours: Mon 10 Jan & Fri 14 Jan - 8am to 1pm
Tues 11 Jan - 8am to 12pm

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
 (Saturday 3.30pm from May to August)

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



"How beautiful is the family that recites the Rosary every evening."
 - Pope St John Paul II

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Finance Committee	Mon 19 Jan 2022	5.30pm
Liturgy Committee	Sat 12 Feb 2022	8.30am
Pastoral Council	Wed 2 Feb 2022	5.00pm



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



PARISH SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

JANUARY - THE HOLY MONTH OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

MON 10th	Rosary Communion Service	9.00am 9.30am
TUE 11th	Rosary Communion Service	9.00am 9.30am
WED 12th	Rosary Mass	11.30am 12 Noon
THUR 13th	Rosary Mass	11.30am 12 Noon
FRI 14th	Rosary Mass	9.00am 9.30am
SAT 15th	Vigil Mass	6.00pm
SUN 16th	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass	9.00am

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

We Pray for the Recently Deceased & for the Anniversaries of

Jodi Kaye Johnson, Chandy Neduvakattu, Bernie Dickins, Joan Bull, Alison Redditt, Bishop Bill Wright of Newcastle-Maitland, Conzie Galbano, Roseann Barron, Joan Lewis. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Shirley Krug, Matthew Smith, Eileen Hagan, Margaret Kahler, Lloyd Fleming, Herb McArdle, Bernie Graham and family, Sr Judy Breen, Joan Ticehurst, Laurel King (wife of Tony), Fr John Willis, Marie Ward, Jenny Turner, Wayne Jones, Emma Donaldson, Tony Starr, Baby Isabel Akhil, Joan Hiscox, Paul Saint, Kerrie O'Keeffe, Sr Leo (Josie) Clancy, John Sanders, Rex Parry, Danny Dickins, Katrina Newbiggin, Bob Kneipp, Brian Barker, Denise Taveira, Joanne Essey, Graham Tom, Fred Voight, Agnes Hannigan and the sick members of our parish whose names are not listed here.

HOME ROSARY

Tingha Bernie & Colleen Graham
 11 Diamond Street
Wednesday 12 January at 4.30pm



We welcome Fr Roel Llave to our parish this weekend to celebrate the Santo Niño Mass. We hope your visit is a pleasant one, Fr Roel.

Women's Breakfast Fri 14 January 8.00am at the Bridge Coffee Lounge, Cnr of Otho & Byron Street. Please phone Ann Barry on 67222858 or Marj Manuel on 67224772.

Chris Da Silva, the Director of Mission & Evangelisation for Armidale will give a talk on Synodality on the weekend of 29/30 January 2022. Commencement times: 5:30pm Saturday 29th and after the 9am Mass on Sunday 30 January. All are welcome to attend.

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

1st Collection: Presbytery for priest support
 BSB 082105 Account No. 001023550
Account Name: Sacred Heart Presbytery Inverell Savings Account
2nd Collection: Church for upkeep & maintenance (PGP)
 BSB 082105 Account No. 001001010
Account Name: Sacred Heart Parish Inverell
 For those on the Planned Giving Program could you please quote your surname and envelope number for the reference.

Synod on Synodality Diocesan Consultation Phase: Parishioners are encouraged to meet and discuss one or all three of the themes of Mission, Participation, & Communion. Groups may be formed, but individual submissions are also invited. A guide for group/individual submissions can be obtained from the parish office. For more information please visit website: <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

COVID 19 SAFETY PLAN FOR OUR PARISH Mass attendance: There are no limits on numbers in places of worship, singing is permitted by all, and masks are required. Checking in with QR code or written register is still required. **Contact Sheets** are 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. 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.**

JANUARY 9TH - SOLEMNITY OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - YEAR C

"The Lord was Baptised, not to be cleansed Himself, but to cleanse the waters, so that those waters, cleansed by the flesh of Christ which knew no sin, might have the power of Baptism." - St Ambrose

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

ALTAR SOCIETY ROSTER FOR JANUARY

Ann Tubb & Rhonda McGregor



We thank on behalf of the parish all those who volunteer their time to be catechists to the children in our state schools. Your hard work and dedication to this important ministry is deeply appreciated.

CATECHISTS URGENTLY NEEDED!

Please contact Fr James or the Parish Office if you can find it in your heart to volunteer some time each week to teach our Catholic faith to the young children in the state schools.



Prayer for the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord

O Jesus, in Your baptism You draw us to Yourself through our baptism. Show us the ways that our lives can bring life to others, and give us the courage to choose what is pleasing to You. Amen.



Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy.
 Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy.
 Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy.
 Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy.
 Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy.
 Amen.
St Augustine of Hippo



Feast of Santo Niño (The Infant Jesus)

O Holy Child Jesus, you shed your blessings on whoever invokes your name, look kindly on us who kneel humbly before Your holy image, and hear our prayers. We commend to Your mercy the many poor and needy people who trust in Your Divine Heart. Lay Your all powerful hand upon them and help them in their needs. Lay Your hand upon the sick, to cure them and sanctify their suffering; upon those in distress, to console them; upon sinners, to draw them into the light of Your divine grace upon all those who, stricken with grief and suffering, turn trustingly to You for loving help. Lay Your hand also upon all of us and give us Your blessing. O little King, grant the treasures of Your divine mercy to all the world, and keep us now and always in the grace of Your love. Amen. Holy Infant Jesus of Prague, Bless and protect us. Amen

Reflection John used symbols as well as words. The chief symbol of the washing away of sin was a cleansing by water. John had been baptising in the Jordan, as a token of repentance, but he knew that his baptism did not regenerate or quicken the dead soul. That is why he made a contrast between his baptism and the baptism that later on Christ Himself would confer. **"He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire."**

The sacred humanity of Christ was the connecting link between heaven and earth. The voice from heaven which declared Him to be the Beloved Son of the Eternal Father was not announcing a new fact or a new Sonship of Our Blessed Lord. It was merely making a solemn declaration of that Sonship, which had existed from all eternity, but which was now beginning to manifest itself publicly as Mediator between God and man. The Father's good pleasure, in the original Greek, is recorded in the aorist tense, to denote the eternal act of loving contemplation with which the Father regards the Son.

The Christ Who came out of the water, as the earth had come out of the water at creation and after the Flood, was now glorified by the Holy Spirit appearing in the form of a Dove. The Spirit of God never appears in the figure of a Dove anywhere save here. The Book of Leviticus mentions offerings which were made according to the economic and social position of the giver. A man who could afford it would bring a bullock, and a poorer man would offer a lamb; but the poorest of all had the privilege of bringing doves. When the mother of Our Lord brought Him to the temple, her offering was a dove. The dove was the symbol of gentleness and peacefulness, but above all it was the type of sacrifice possible to the lowliest people. Whenever a Hebrew thought of a lamb or a dove, he immediately thought of a sacrifice for sin. Therefore, the Spirit descending upon Our Lord was for them a symbol of submission to sacrifice. Christ had already united Himself symbolically with man in baptism, in anticipation of His submergence into the waters of suffering; but now He was also crowned, dedicated, and consecrated to that sacrifice through the coming of the Spirit. The waters of the Jordan united Him with men, the Spirit crowned Him and dedicated Him to sacrifice, and the Voice attested that His sacrifice would be pleasing to the Eternal Father.

The seeds of the doctrine of the Trinity which were planted in the Old Testament began here to unfold. The Father, the Creator; the Son, the Redeemer; and the Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier. The baptism in the Jordan closed Our Lord's private life and began His public ministry. He had gone down into the water known to most men as the son of Mary; He came out ready to reveal Himself as what He had been from all eternity, the Son of God. He was the Son of God in the likeness of man in all things, save sin. The Spirit was anointing Him not just for teaching, but for redeeming.

Venerable Servant of God, Archbishop Fulton J Sheen

Roster	Greeters	Projector	Readers	Commentator	Communion Minister	Collectors	Counters
08Jan-Sat 6pm	Volunteers	Sr Coral	A Casey-Ransom	P Mather	Volunteer	Suspended	
09Jan-Sun 9am	Volunteers	MJ Guest	G Johnson	C Bruse	Volunteer	Suspended	G Chie, G Fleming, & M Schofield
In place of the collection plates please put donations in baskets located at the entrance of the church							
15Jan-Sat 6pm	Volunteers	S Szumowski	N McCosker	J Kelly	Volunteer	Suspended	
16Jan-Sun 9am	Volunteers	P Girle	C Bruse	MJ Guest	Volunteer	Suspended	N Turner & M Newbiggin