



Sacred Heart Parish Church

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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



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

Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, refuge of sinners, I beg of you by the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and by the graces God has granted to you since your Immaculate Conception, the grace of never going astray again. Mother, keep me, a sinner, constantly bathed in the light of your Immaculate Heart. Amen.

PARISH SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Table with 2 columns: Date and Mass Details. Includes Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Rosary, Mass, and Vigil Mass.

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

Repose of the souls of: Cedric, Thelma & Maurie Aboud; John Thomas O'Brien & Joseph Michael Stephen

We Pray for the Recently Deceased & for the Anniversaries of

Katrina Newbiggin, Hugh Bundock, Nell Moffitt, Dan Hannigan, Tony Conway, Pat Coleman, Bob Kniepp, Carma King, Greg Kenry. 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

Cedric Cook, Peter Crabb (uncle of Matt Rennie), Beau Zappa, Clare Lockwood, Denise Thomeycroft, Miriam Ballam, Matthew Smith, Eileen Hagan, Margaret Kahler, Lloyd Fleming, Herb McArdle, Bernie Graham and family, Joan Ticehurst, Fr John Willis, Jenny Turner, Emma Donaldson, Tony Starr, Baby Isabel Akhil, Paul Saint, Kerrie O'Keefe, Sr Leo (Josie) Clancy, Rex Parry, Danny Dickins, 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.



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

HOME ROSARY

Tingha Bernie & Colleen Graham
11 Diamond Street
Wednesday 17 August at 4.30pm



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Table with 3 columns: Meeting Name, Date, Time. Includes Liturgy Committee, Pastoral Council, Finance Committee.

First Communion will occur next Sunday 21 August at the 9am Mass. Please keep all the children making their First Communion and their families in your prayers.

Alpha Program on Divine Restoration: A talk will be given after Mass on Sunday 28 August. All are invited 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.

Pope Francis: Vaccination is an Act of Love "Getting vaccines that are authorised by the respective authorities is an act of love. And helping the majority of people to do so is an act of love. Love for oneself, love for our families and friends, and love for all peoples. [...] Getting vaccinated is a simple yet profound way to care for one another, especially the most vulnerable."

SAFETY PLAN FOR OUR PARISH 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.

AUGUST 14TH - TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C
"Courage! We are not in the world to follow our own will and pleasure but to imitate the Lord."
- St John Baptiste de Rossi

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 AUGUST

Rosie Michael, Val McMahon & Pat Bailey



Prayer for Vocations

Gracious and loving God, help the men and women of our parish to hear the call to serve in the Diocese of Armidale. Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence. Open the hearts of many, raise up faithful servants of the Gospel, dedicated, holy priests, sisters, brothers and deacons, who will spend themselves for your people and their needs. Bless those who are serving now with courage and perseverance. Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Avoiding Sin

Heavenly Father, please hear the prayers I offer from a contrite heart. Have pity on me as I acknowledge my sins. Lead me back to the way of holiness. Protect me now and always from the wounds of sin. May I ever keep safe in all its fullness the gift Your love once gave me and Your mercy now restores. Jesus, pour Your Precious Blood over me, my body, mind, soul, and spirit; my conscious and sub-conscious; my intellect and will; my feelings, thoughts, emotions and passions; my words and actions; my vocation, my relationships, family, friends and possessions. Protect with Your Precious Blood all other activities of my life. Lord, I dedicate all of these things to You, and I acknowledge You as Lord and Master of all. Mary, Immaculate Conception, pure and holy Virgin Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ, draw me under Your veil; guard me and shield me against all attacks and temptations that would violate the virtue of chastity. Lord Jesus Christ, I beg You for the grace to remain guarded beneath the protective mantle of Mary, surrounded by the holy briar from which was taken the Holy Crown of Thorns, and saturated with Your Precious Blood in the power of the Holy Spirit, with our Guardian Angels for the greater glory of the Father. Amen.



Prayer for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 15 August

O Blessed Virgin Mary, united to the victorious Christ in heaven, you are the image and first-flowering of the Church as she is to be perfected in the world to come. You shine forth as a sign of sure hope and solace for the pilgrim People of God. In your Assumption, you manifest the fullness of redemption and appear as the spotless image of the Church responding in joy to the invitation of the Bridegroom, your Son, who is the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep. Grant that we may follow your example on earth thereby imitating your Son as well and being enabled to share your glory, with Him for all eternity. Amen.

Ordination Anniversaries

We pray for all the men celebrating their ordination in the Diocese of Armidale this week. May God continue to bless them.
Bishop Michael Kennedy - 14 August
Fr Damien Locke - 14 August
Fr Chris Onuekwusi - 16 August
Fr Richard Gleeson - 18 August

Table with 7 columns: Roster, Greeters, Projector, Readers, Commentator, Communion Minister, Counters. Lists names and roles for various dates in August.

Reflection Our enemy today is the world - the spirit of the world. Today we have to conform to the world or we're branded. Our Lord said, 'I have taken you out of the world.' We say, 'No we have to win the world, and to win it you have to be one with it.' Our Lord says, 'I pray not for the world.' He was praying for the spirit of the world. And this is the easiest kind of way to fall off the log - worldliness. The Vatican Council said we have to go into the world - indeed, but not to be of the world, which is quite a different matter. So this is our attack today. This is one of the basic causes of our degeneration, of our death. We're dying. What about it? What's the answer? The answer is: these are great and wonderful days in which to be alive, because these are days of testing. Today the current is against us. And today the mood of the world is, 'Go with the world, go with the spirit.' Listen, dead bodies float downstream. Only live bodies resist the current. And so the Good Lord is testing us. And he is testing Western Christians with worldliness, and how many of us are falling? St. John says in his Epistle: 'They did not love us really from the beginning. That is why they left us.' And so the souls that are falling away have just failed to meet the test. It is very much like the test that the Jews had. What we are going to have in the Church is a minority report: a minority report of sisters, a minority report of priests, a minority report of laity - not the minority that is aggressive and troublemaking, but the minority that like Caleb and Joshua, trusts in God. So we are tested just as the Jews were tested. Not far after our time, and perhaps in the time of some, then will come the battles and the testing. Our Lord said, 'Satan would sift you as wheat.' And we are being sifted as wheat. So we can all thank God that we live in these days. Now we can say, 'aye' or 'nay,' and we can bear up under assault, criticism and ridicule, because this is the lot of the Christian in the days of the spirit of the world. Therefore, live your lives in the full consciousness of this hour of testing, and rally close to the heart of Christ. Be the minority. And if there is anything that has to be restored in our day, I would say it would be violence. Violence! The kingdom of heaven is won by violence. And only the violent shall conquer it. We drop violence, discipline, commitment to the Cross, and the world picks it up. That's why there's no stopping the violence of this country. We just have to hire more police guards, build more hospitals for the addicts. Why? Because there's no moral reason on the inside why they should stop. Our Blessed Lord said, 'I have come to bring the sword. Not peace!' We are always talking about peace. Yes, because that war (World War II, Korean War, etc.) happened - but we aren't making war in ourselves - and there's not going to be any peace in the world until we make war. Our Lord said, 'I came not to bring peace, but the sword!' The Lord brought a sword. It's not the sword that's thrust outward against the enemy. It's a sword that's thrust against ourselves, cutting out the seven pallbearers of the soul: pride and covetousness and lust and anger, envy, gluttony and sloth. And we've given up the sword - someone else has taken it up, and we have to restore it! Then we'll get peace! And peace is never corporate - it's never social - until it's first individual. Social peace, world peace, is the extension of individual peace in our hearts. When we are right with God, then we will be right with our fellow man. When we are not right with God, then we will be wrong with everyone else. Spend an hour before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament every day, not only for our own souls, but for the world, and to strengthen our minority. The Lord is keeping reserves. He is training us. And he is with us.
Venerable Servant of God, Archbishop Fulton J Sheen