

From Fr Damien Locke, Administrator of St Mary and St Joseph Cathedral, Armidale

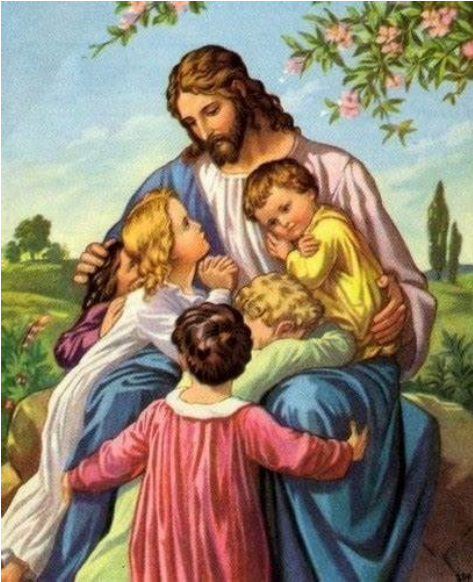
It is with great joy that I invite you to some events in relation to the reopening of Saints Mary & Joseph Cathedral in Armidale. As you know, the Cathedral has been closed for more than one year now for repairs and we are delighted to be able to ‘come home to our beautiful Cathedral’ before Christmas. There are two events which I would like to specifically inform you about and invite you to:

Thursday 12 December 2024 - 105th anniversary of the dedication of the Cathedral. ‘Soft Opening’: Mass for Clergy of the Diocese and Faithful from across the Diocese at 11am in the Cathedral followed by a light lunch in the Cathedral Precinct.

Sunday 29 December 2024. Opening Mass of the Jubilee Year 2025 at 10am in the Cathedral. Due to this being on a Sunday (as stipulated by the Holy See), I imagine not all may be able to attend. It would be wonderful to have representatives from around the Diocese.

Monsignor Wilkes will preside as Principal Celebrant at both of these Masses.

In addition to these two events, please see below other ‘save the dates’ to which everyone from across the Diocese are most welcome to attend.



A reflection by the Venerable Servant of God, Archbishop Fulton J Sheen

No ‘old’ people ever enter the Kingdom of Heaven. We have Divine warrant for this statement, though it was not put exactly in these words. When the Son of God came to this earth He said: ‘The man who does not welcome the Kingdom of God like a child, will never enter into it.’ He did not mean that we had to be childish, but we had to be childlike.

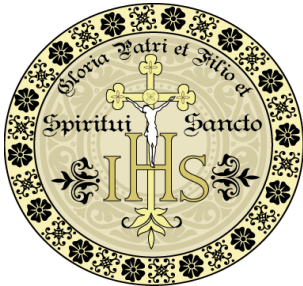
What are the qualities of the child which are so essential for an adult acquiring the eternal youthfulness of Heaven?

The first characteristic of a child is that he bathes in the infinite and the eternal. The present is thought by him to be enduring. He cannot understand the past; therefore, death is beyond his comprehension. He cannot understand what is yet to be, or things otherwise than they actually are. Impermanence escapes the child completely. Perhaps one of the reasons why a child feels so sorrowful when the mother leaves the house is he eternalises her absence.

The child is a voyager without any baggage. He lives in the present and imagines it to be eternal.

The second characteristic of the child is innocence. The child hardly perceives disorder or evil, or at least does not remark upon them as such. Whatever exists for the child is good and also true. Francis Thompson, catching the full spirit of the innocence of the child, said, ‘Look for me in the nurseries of Heaven.’

(The Power of Love)



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B
6 OCTOBER 2024



“Go through life like a little child, always trusting, always full of simplicity and humility, content with everything, happy in every circumstance.”
– St Faustina Kowalska

Entrance Antiphon: Within Your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist Your will. For You have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; You are the Lord of all.

First Reading Genesis 2:18-24

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord God said, ‘It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.’ So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These He brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, He took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord built the rib He had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed: ‘This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.’

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

♦ The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 127

R: May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. **R.**
2. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. **R.**
3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life! May you see your children’s children. On Israel, peace! **R.**

Second Reading Hebrews 2:9-11

A reading from St Paul’s letter to the Hebrews

We see in Jesus One Who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because He submitted to death; by God’s grace He had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was His purpose to bring a great many of His sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for Whom everything exists and through Whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader Who would take them to their salvation. For the One Who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why He openly calls them brothers.

♦ The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation 1 John 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia! If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love. **Alleluia!**

Gospel Mark 10:2-16

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, ‘Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?’ They were testing Him. He answered them, ‘What did Moses command you?’ ‘Moses allowed us,’ they said, ‘to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.’ Then Jesus said to them, ‘It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.’ Back in the house the disciples questioned Him again about this, and He said to them, ‘The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.’

People were bringing little children to Him, for Him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this He was indignant and said to them, ‘Let the little children come to Me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.’ Then He put His arms round them, laid His hands on them and gave them His blessing.

♦ The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is good to those who hope in Him, to the soul that seeks Him.

Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible



Sacred Heart Parish Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Armidale

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

October 6, 2024

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Tuesday 8 Oct - 8am to 12pm
Friday 11 Oct - 8am to 1pm
Administrator: Fr Paul Chandler
PPC Chair: Mr David McMahon
Holy Trinity Principal: Mrs Jillian Rainger
Parish Secretary: Peter Turner



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

We pray for: Geoff & Peg McCosker; Repose of all those whose death anniversary occurs at this time; Repose of all souls in Purgatory.

the Recently Deceased:

Sr Mavis Dick (rsm), Shirley Gleeson, Brenda McPhee, Jeanette Keightley, Margaret Kahler, Kaylene Maybury.

the sick:

Pat Gurr, Jim Hanlon, Craig Johnston, Peter Moroney, Christopher Pay, Neville Barwick, Fr Barry Leech, Lara Bentley, Danny Dickens, Elizabeth Albany, Fr David Crabb, Rebecca Lane, Brian Barker, and all the sick members of our parish.

Please contact the priest on 67221103 for home visits to the homebound and the sick

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CLERGY AND THE PARISH

1st Collection: Presbytery (for support of priest)

BSB 082105 Account No. 001023550

Account Name: Sacred Heart Presbytery Inverell Savings Ac.

2nd Collection: Church upkeep, maintenance, expenses

BSB 082105 Account No. 001013072

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.

Planned Giving Program: If you wish to join the planned giving program, please contact the parish office.

OCTOBER - THE HOLY MONTH OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

MONDAY 7th

Feast Day of Our Lady of the Rosary

No Mass - Church open from 8am to 1pm

TUESDAY 8th

Feast Day of St Pelagia the Penitent

Rosary - 8.30am

Holy Mass - 9.00am

Holy Hour - 4.30pm to 5.30pm

WEDNESDAY 9th

Feast Day of St Denis, bishop, and companions, martyrs & St John Leonardi, priest & St John Henry Newman

Rosary - 8.30am

Holy Mass - 9.00am

THURSDAY 10th

Feast Day of St Patrician, bishop

Rosary - 11.30am

Holy Mass - 12 Noon

Adoration - 12.30pm to 1.30pm

FRIDAY 11th

Feast Day of the Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary & St John XXIII, pope

Rosary - 8.30am

Holy Mass - 9.00am

Holy Hour - 4.30pm to 5.30pm

SATURDAY 12th

Feast Day of Our Lady of the Pillar & Bl. Carlo Acutis

Public Rosary - 10.30am

Holy Mass of Sunday - 3.30pm at Bundarra

Rosary - 5.30pm

Holy Mass of Sunday - 6.00pm

SUNDAY 13th

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rosary - 8.30am

Holy Mass - 9.00am

Sacrament of Confession

Sunday: 8.00am to 8.30am

Tuesday: 5.00pm to 5.30pm

Thursday: 1.00pm to 1.30pm

Friday: 5.00pm to 5.30pm (except First Fridays)

Saturday: 5.15pm to 5.30pm

(and at any time upon request)

OTHER MASSES:

McLean Village Each 4th Thursday - 10.00am

2nd Saturday - *Bundarra*, St Mary of the Angels - 3.30pm

3rd Saturday - *Ashford*, St Patrick's Church - 3.30pm

4th Saturday - *Tingha*, St. Francis' Church - 3.30pm

5th Saturday - *Yetman*, St Joseph the Worker - 3.00pm

Baptism - Saturdays & Sundays at 10.30am

Marriages and Funerals by Appointment

PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

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 OCTOBER

Maree Chie & Mary Middleton

HOME ROSARY



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

Bernie & Colleen Graham

11 Diamond Street, Tingha

Wednesday 2 October at 4.30pm

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Finance Committee - Wed 9 Oct 2024, 5.00pm

Sunday Morning Tea - Sun 13 Oct 2024, after Mass

Pastoral Council - Wed 16 Oct 2024, 5.00pm

Liturgy Committee - Sat 19 Oct 2024, 9.00am

Thank you to all those who donated to the air-conditioning project. Your generosity has helped us reach the target of \$8,000! As mentioned previously, a new solar inverter had to be installed at a cost of \$3,000. Therefore we will continue our fundraising efforts to help cover

the cost of the inverter. For those who may wish to contribute, you may use the Special Collection envelopes placed at the entrances of the Church or use the BSB and Account Number of the 2nd Collection. Use "solar-inverter" as the reference.

FOR SALE

- One Rinnai Energysaver **gas heaters** in the church is going for **\$100 or nearest offer.**
- 2 **pre-cut kitchen bench tops (brand new - never used)** - KABOODLE brand available at Bunnings - each 600mm wide, 38mm deep, 3380mm long - Oyster Swirl colour - selling at 50% of retail price - **\$300 each or nearest offer.**

Sales Cash only. Contact Parish Office during office hours for inspection and collection.

Morning Tea will be held after the 9am Mass next Sunday.

Please bring a plate of delicacies to share. All are welcome.



Prayer to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary

Queen of the Holy Rosary, inspire my heart with a sincere love of this devotion, in order that by meditating on the Mysteries of our Redemption which are recalled in it, I may be enriched with its fruits and obtain peace for the world. May I pray it worthily for the greater glory of God, for your own honour, and for the good of souls, especially my own. Amen.

Winners of the 1st 100 Club Fundraiser:

First Prize of \$70 - Janet Lowe

Second Prize of \$20 - Helen Dickins

Third Prize of \$10 - Mauricio Rossell

The winners of the 2nd 100 Club Fundraiser will be drawn this Sunday after the 9am Mass.

The 3rd & final 100 Club Fundraiser Poster is now up in the Meeting Room. \$2 per number box. Instructions are on the poster. Please place entry money into the money container provided. A raffle will be held after the last 100 Club Fundraiser. There will be three grand prizes, all graciously donated by very generous parishioners.

The ALPHA Program begins on Thursday October 17th at 6pm in the Meeting Room. Please inform the parish office if you intend to come for catering purposes.

ADIG Contact Details: For those parishioners who wish to make contact with George Nulley at ADIG in relation to opening an investment account, you may email him at george@adig.com.au or call him on **0476 892 836**.

Public Rosary, Saturday 12 October at 10.30am. Could interested parishioners please put their names and contact number on the Expression of Interest sheets located at the doors of the church for attending a public rosary next Saturday, which would be held on the public pavement at the front of the church. On October 13 in 1917 Our Lady performed a miracle, the "Miracle of the Sun", which was witnessed by 70,000 people and led to many atheists and anti-Catholics converting. A public rosary is a great way to witness the Catholic faith and also a tremendous act of reparation for the insults hurled against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Job Vacancy: Our properties at Bundarra & Ashford need someone to tend to mowing the grass and basic garden maintenance. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested or know someone who is. This is a paid position.

MASS ROSTER	5Oct-Sat 6.00pm	6Oct-Sun 9am	12Oct-Sat 6pm	13Oct-Sun 9am
Projector	S Szumowski	H Rossel	N Turner	P Girle
Readers	C Roberts & J Kelly	MJ Guest & B McGrath	S Szumowski & J Monie	M Gaukroger & S Hollis
Commentator	J Monie	M Gaukroger	J Kelly	J Rainger
Offertory	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Guest Family
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	J Monie	R Johnson	Volunteer	G Johnson
Counters		L MacDonald & P Girle		B Baldwin & J Frater