

“It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from their sins.” - 2 Maccabees 12:46

Prayer for the Souls in Purgatory

Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

Prayer for the Forgotten Dead

O Merciful God, take pity on those souls who have no particular friends and intercessors to recommend them to You, who, either through the negligence of those who are alive, or through length of time are forgotten by their friends and by all. Spare them, O Lord, and remember Your own mercy, when others forget to appeal to it. Let not the souls which You have created be parted from You, their Creator. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through Your mercy, rest in peace. Amen.



Prayer for Generosity (St Ignatius of Loyola)

Lord, teach me to be generous, to serve You as You deserve to be served, to give without counting the cost, to fight without fear of being wounded, to work without seeking rest, and to spend myself without expecting any reward, but the knowledge that I am doing Your holy will. Amen.

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

Many people are fond of using the words ‘greatest’, ‘biggest’, and ‘super’, all of which indicate the tendency of mind to bow down before the statue of the Colossus, or before anything that is colossal. Grant the value of grossness and magnificence, may it still not be true that character resides in trifles and in the little things? Our Blessed Lord said that a drink of cold water given in His Name would not be without its reward. It will be noted that here the value does not reside precisely in what is small or little, but rather the motive for which it is given, or used. Beggars use tin cups; churches use plush-bottom collection baskets. The reason the beggar uses a tin cup is because he does not attribute a spiritual motive to the giver. He knows that the one who drops a sixpence loves to hear the jingle of his generosity. In the church, however, where gifts are offered out of love for the Lord, there is no echo that comes back.

Not the drink of water alone has merit, but the giving of it in the Divine Name, or with a spiritual intention. If we were to put on a scale, or a balance, what men regarded as the noblest gift which self-love could make, and on the other side of the balance, the most insignificant act or gift done out of love for Christ, we would find that the latter would far outweigh the former.

The difference between philanthropy and charity resides in this: Philanthropy is a gift without the love of God; Charity is the gift with the love of God. Both the billionaire and the beggar can write cheques for a hundred million dollars, but the former alone has value because of his name and the security that backs it up. Let then two equal gifts be given – one signed with one’s own name, the other signed in the Name of Christ, and the latter has a worth that pierces Heaven. God does not weigh on the same scale as man. It was the widow in the Temple who gave the two smallest of coins, and yet gave all she had, who was noticed by the Saviour.

Love has nothing to do with usefulness. There would be no love if a person kept a list of index cards on which were noted the so-called friends who might be helpful to him. Neither does love cultivate a friend because ‘he can get it for me wholesale’; love does not cherish another person because of the pleasure that person gives; love does not give money in great abundance to a political party in order to become a foreign ambassador; love does not give gifts to prostitute. Love, in a word, has nothing to do with calculation.

One day when Our Blessed Lord was at dinner in the little village of Bethany, just a short time before His Passion and death, a woman stole into the dining room and broke a vessel of precious ointment, pouring it over His feet. Judas, who was present at the dinner, immediately asked: ‘Why all this waste? It might have been sold.’ On the part of the penitent woman who loved, there was no calculation of cost; on the part of the disciple who had lost his faith, there was the reckoning of profit.

Love never needs any justification. The offerings of love are never wasted. Flowers are sent to the bedridden when something perhaps more useful might have been sent. But the flowers are the offerings of love and as such are accepted. The value of a gift is not in what was paid for it, but the sacrifice and devotion of the giver. That is why we tear off price tags when we give gifts, in order to prove that there is no correspondence between the gift of the lover and the love of the giver. But is it not true that love is more often stronger when it descends than when it ascends? Mothers love children more than children love parents. And God loves us more than we love Him. We measure out our love to Him drop by drop; He breaks the alabaster vase of His Body and gives His all for our redemption.

(The Power of Love)



32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 10 NOVEMBER 2024



“It is God’s way to give much for little. Our Lord does not attend to how much we give, but to the generosity of our will, and for this very reason He makes much of a little.”
- St John Chrysostom

Entrance Antiphon: Let my prayer come into Your presence. Incline Your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

First Reading 1 Kings 17:10-16

A reading from the first book of the Kings

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, ‘Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.’ She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. ‘Please,’ he said, ‘bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.’ ‘As the Lord your God lives,’ she replied, ‘I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.’ But Elijah said to her, ‘Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel: “Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth.”’

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

♦ **The word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 145:7-10

R: Praise the Lord, my soul!

1. It is the Lord Who keeps faith for ever, Who is just to those who are oppressed. It is He Who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, Who sets prisoners free. **R.**
2. It is the Lord Who gives sight to the blind, Who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord Who loves the just, the Lord, Who protects the stranger. **R.**
3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan, but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion’s God, from age to age. **R.**

Second Reading Hebrews 9:24-28

A reading from St Paul’s letter to the Hebrews

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that He could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And He does not have to offer Himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else He would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, He has made His appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing Himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, too, offers Himself only once to take the faults of many on Himself, and when He appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for Him.

♦ **The word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! **Alleluia!**

Gospel Mark 12:38-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

In His teaching Jesus said, ‘Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.’

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then He called His disciples and said to them, ‘I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.’

♦ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where He gives me repose, near restful waters He leads me.

Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible



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Tuesday 12 Nov - 8am to 12pm
Administrator: Fr Paul Chandler
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Parish Secretary: Peter Turner

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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

the Recently Deceased:

Craig Johnston, Darrin Charter, Dorothy Single, Mario Tilocca, Sr Mavis Dick rsm, Shirley Gleeson.

the sick:

Sue O'Brien, Julie Daley, Pat Gurr, Jim Hanlon, Peter Moroney, Christopher Pay, Neville Barwick, Fr Barry Leech, Lara Bentley, Danny Dickins, 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.

NOVEMBER - THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

MONDAY 11th

Feast Day of St Martin of Tours, bishop
No Mass - Church open from 8am to 1pm

TUESDAY 12th

Feast Day of St Josaphat, bishop, martyr
Rosary - 8.30am

Holy Mass - 9.00am

Holy Hour - 4.30pm to 5.30pm

WEDNESDAY 13th

Wednesday of 32nd week of Ordinary Time
Rosary - 8.00am

Holy Mass - 8.30am

HTS Advent Confession - 9.30am to 12.30pm

Home Rosary - 4.30pm, 4 Diamond St, Tingha

THURSDAY 14th

Thursday of 32nd week of Ordinary Time
Rosary - 11.30am

Holy Mass - 12 Noon

Adoration - 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Alpha Program - 6.00pm

FRIDAY 15th

Feast Day of St Albert the Great, bishop, doctor
Rosary - 8.30am

HTS Holy Mass - 9.30am

Holy Hour - 4.30pm to 5.30pm

SATURDAY 16th

Feast Day of St Gertrude, virgin & St Margaret of Scotland
Holy Mass of Sunday - 3.30pm at Ashford

Rosary - 5.30pm

Holy Mass of Sunday - 6.00pm

SUNDAY 17th

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time / World Day of the Poor

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 5.45pm

(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

ALTAR SOCIETY ROSTER FOR NOVEMBER

Victoria Talampas & Neroli O'Brien

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Sunday Morning Tea - Sun 10 Nov 2024, after Mass

Pastoral Council - Wed 13 Nov 2024, 5.00pm

Liturgy Committee - Sat 16 Nov 2024, 9.00am

Finance Committee - Wed 11 Dec 2024, 5.00pm

Prize Raffle. Tickets are on sale for the prize raffle. *The winning tickets will be drawn after the 9am Mass this Sunday.*

\$5 per ticket. 1st Prize - \$300 voucher from House to Home—Inverell Garden Centre. 2nd Prize - \$100 voucher from Lennon's Butchery. 3rd Prize - gift box to the value of \$50 from Campbell & Freebairn Chemist.

Christmas Highlights from Handel's Messiah: The Danthonia Community Choir have extended an open invitation to sing with them at Danthonia (4188 Gwydir Hwy, Elsmore) on Friday 13 December at 7pm. There will be one more practice on Friday 29 November, 6.30pm for 7pm start. All are welcome. No RSVP required.

November: Holy Month of the Souls in Purgatory.

November is a special time to pray for the dead. November Masses for your deceased loved ones can be arranged through the Parish using the envelopes provided at the entrances of the church or through Aid to the Church in Need by calling 1800 101 201 or visiting www.aidtochurch.org/masses.

Holy Mass and Prayers have been requested for the souls

of: George Turner (Jnr), George & Monica Turner, June & Noel Sanders, members of Turner & Sanders families, Douglas Rennie, Sasha Mansour, Jonathan Crombie, Stella Spalding, Patricia Traves; John, Kelvin, Patrick, & Elizabeth Hogan, Carmel Perrett, Mary McMahon; Phil Harris; A & H Koopelian, A & Z Koopelian, A & N Koopelian, A Koopelian, A & N Samuel, R Koopelian, V Samuel, Therese Samuel; John Damien Gaukroger, John Francis & Margaret Sybil Gaukroger, members of the Gaukroger & Vanas families; Jim Noble, Bob Mather Kelleher; Members of the Bailey & Koel families; Parents of Margaret Robinson & deceased members of her family; Members of the Casey family, Kelly family, Griffin family, Savoy family, Armstrong family, Placette family, McCarthy family, MacMahon family, Ranallo family, Davis family, Ducette family; Members of the O'Brien & Stephen families.

LAST CALL FOR MISSAL ORDERS

St Pauls Weekday Missal

Enhance your participation in Daily Mass and your preparation for it.

Can be used year after year with no need to buy a new book for each year.

Uses two colours throughout and has marker ribbons. Contains the Order of Mass, along with the complete weekday cycle of Scripture readings and the Proper of Saints.

Includes a Treasury of Prayers

Especially prepared for Australia and New Zealand.

Normal retail price \$69.95.

Available through the Parish for \$60 and no shipping costs.

Use the order form available at the front door of the church. Orders must be lodged by November 13th. Take advantage of this offer now!

St Pauls Sunday Missal

Enhance your participation in Sunday Mass and your preparation for it. The Sunday Missal that can be used year after year!

The complete "popular" edition comes in a red hardcover, two-colour throughout with marker ribbons.

Contains all of the Prayers of the Missal, together with the full 3-year cycle of Scripture readings, and the complete Easter liturgies. Includes feasts of special importance for Australia and New Zealand: Australia Day, ANZAC Day, and St Mary MacKillop.

Normal retail price \$34.95.

Available through the Parish for \$30 and no shipping costs.

Use the order form available at the front door of the church. Orders must be lodged by November 13th. Take advantage of this offer now!

Divine Mercy 2025 Calendars: A generous parishioner has donated several of these calendars to the parish. These are available for free at the side entrance table near the priest sacristy.

MASS ROSTER	9Nov-Sat 6.00pm	10Nov-Sun 9am	16Nov-Sat 6pm	17Nov-Sun 9am
Projector	S Szumowski	M Gaukroger	Volunteer	P Girle
Readers	N McCosker & S O'Brien	J Rainer & B McGrath	J Kelly & J Harris	MJ Guest & K Hutchings
Commentator	J Harris	M Robinson	N McCosker	G Taveira
Offertory	Volunteer	Volunteers	Volunteer	M Robinson
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	A Michael	M Robinson	P Moroney	S Hollis
Counters		L MacDonald & P Girle		B Baldwin & J Frater