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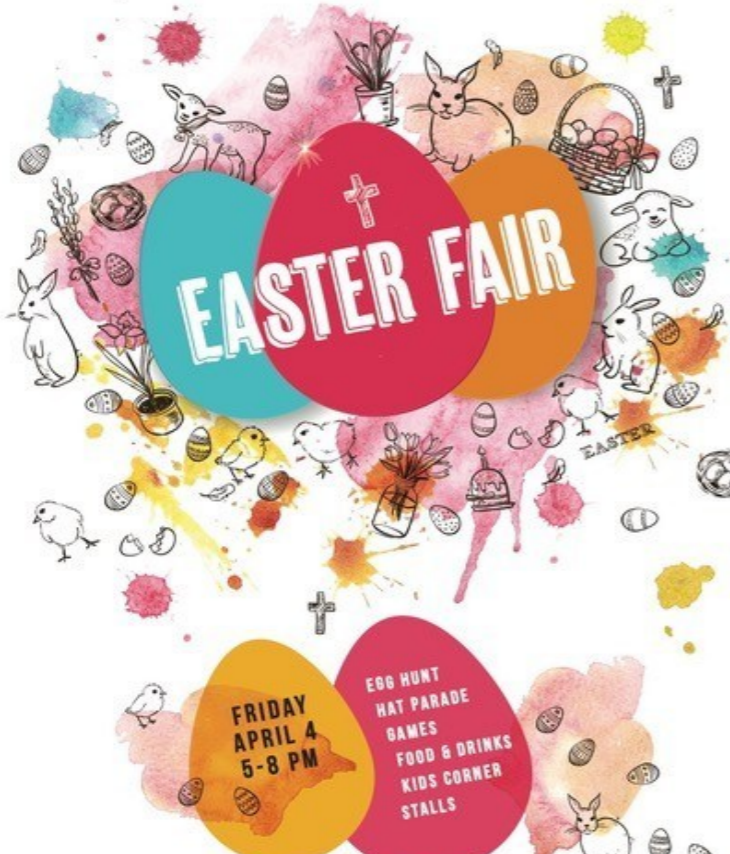
We are Growing



**COMMUNITY**  
Information Sessions

Come along and find out all about  
**Year 11 & 12 @ Holy Trinity School**  
WEDNESDAY 26 MARCH 2025  
12:00pm - 1:00pm or 5:30pm - 6:30pm in our School Hall

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL P&F PRESENTS THE 2025



**EASTER FAIR**

FRIDAY  
APRIL 4  
5-8 PM

EGG HUNT  
HAT PARADE  
GAMES  
FOOD & DRINKS  
KIDS CORNER  
STALLS



## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR C

### 23 MARCH 2025

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - "PILGRIMS OF HOPE"



"Repentance is the renewal of Baptism and a contract with God for a second life."

- St John Climacus

**Entrance Antiphon:** My eyes are always on the Lord, for He rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

**First Reading** Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15

**A reading from book of Exodus**

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' He said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer,' He said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' He said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God. And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of My people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.' Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what His name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am Who I Am. This,' He added, 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is My name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

♦ **The word of the Lord.**

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 102:1-4, 6-8, 11

**R: The Lord is kind and merciful.**

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless His holy name. My soul give thanks to the Lord and never forget all His blessings. **R.**

2. It is He Who forgives all your guilt, Who heals every one of your ills, Who redeems your life from the grave, Who crowns you with love and compassion. **R.**

3. The Lord does deeds of justice, gives judgement for all who are oppressed. He made known His ways to Moses and His deeds to Israel's sons. **R.**

4. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is His love for those who fear Him. **R.**

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

**A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert. These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer. All this happened to them as a warning and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

♦ **The word of the Lord.**

**Gospel Acclamation** Matthew 4:17

**Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!** Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand. **Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!**

**Gospel** Luke 13:1-9

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this He said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.' He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied, "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.'"

♦ **The Gospel of the Lord.**



# Sacred Heart Parish

(Canonically Erected 1868)

Roman Catholic Diocese of Armidale

Third Sunday of Lent - Year C

March 23, 2025



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Parish Office Hours:

Monday 24 March & Friday 28 March - 8am to 1pm

Tuesday 25 March - 8am to 12pm

Administrator: Fr Paul Chandler

PPC Chair: Mr Matthew Rennie

Holy Trinity Principal: Mrs Jillian Rainger

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:

Danel Djan Soares, Anthony Aboud, Peter Tome, Parackal Antony, Paul Saint.

### the sick:

Pope Francis, Stephen Tubb, Straton Kennedy, Tony King, Sue O'Brien, Julie Daley, Pat Gurr, Peter Moroney, Christopher Pay, Neville Barwick, Fr Barry Leech, Lara Bentley, 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.

Baptism - Saturdays & Sundays at 10.30am

Marriages and Funerals by Appointment

## 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.

## MARCH - THE MONTH OF SAINT JOSEPH

### MONDAY 24th

Monday of the 3rd week of Lent

**No Mass - Church open from 8am to 1pm**

### TUESDAY 25th

**Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord**

**Rosary - 8.30am**

**Holy Mass - 9.00am**

**Yr 7 Confessions at HTS - 10:10am**

**Holy Hour - 4.30pm to 5.30pm**

### WEDNESDAY 26th

Wednesday of the 3rd week of Lent

**Holy Mass - 6.30am**

**Home Rosary - 4.30pm, 11 Diamond St, Tingha**

### THURSDAY 27th

Thursday of the 3rd week of Lent

**Holy Mass at McLean - 10.00am**

**Rosary - 11.30am**

**Holy Mass - 12 Noon**

**Adoration - 12.30pm to 1.30pm**

### FRIDAY 28th

Friday of the 3rd week of Lent

**Rosary - 8.30am**

**HTS (Yr 4L) Holy Mass - 9.30am**

**Holy Hour - 4.30pm to 5.30pm**

**Stations of the Cross - 5.30pm**

### SATURDAY 29th

Saturday of the 3rd week of Lent

**Holy Mass of Sunday - 3.00pm at Yetman**

**Rosary - 5.30pm**

**Holy Mass of Sunday - 6.00pm**

### SUNDAY 30th

**4th Sunday of Lent**

**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

### If you are using a Sunday Missal:

- \* Proper of Mass, Page 806
- \* Preface II of Lent, Page 30-31
- \* Eucharistic Prayer No. 1, Page 61
- \* Daily Missal uses Year One (weekday Mass)

## PARISH NOTICES & EVENTS

### ALTAR SOCIETY ROSTER FOR MARCH

Holy Trinity Team

### UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Finance Committee - Wed 2 April 2025, 5.00pm

Pastoral Council - Wed 9 April 2025, 5.00pm

Liturgy Committee - Sat 5 April 2025, 10.00am

Sunday Morning Tea - Sun 13 April 2025, after Mass

### Six-Weekend Ministry Roster

This is displayed on the table at the main entrance to the Church.

### Reflection

This weekend's reflection may be read on the parish website or on the parish Facebook page.

### Mid-point Lent Ideas

### GIVE UP / LIMIT:

Sports (playing/watching), Television, Music, Social Media, Trivial/Unnecessary conversation, Video games, Smoking, Use of make-up and jewellery, Alcohol, Coffee, Chocolate and other luxuries, etc.

### ADD:

One hour weekly Adoration, Daily Rosary, Family Prayer Time, 10 minutes spiritual reading (e.g. Bible, writings of the saints), Adopt a Priest (offer a daily prayer for them), Weekly Confession, Become active in an outreach ministry (pro-life, prison, homeless, nursing home, catechetics), 10 minutes of quiet reflection on the life of Christ.

### Annunciation of the Lord - 25 March

*"As in the first garden Eve brought destruction, so in the garden of her womb, Mary would now bring Redemption."*

- Venerable Fulton J Sheen

The Annunciation of the Lord is the great moment in history when Almighty God became man. There will be Rosary at 8.30am followed by Holy Mass at 9.00am. All parishioners are encouraged to attend Holy Mass on this important Solemnity.

**Prayer:** O God, Almighty Father, Who did please that at the message of the Angel Gabriel Thy Word should take flesh in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary, grant that we who believe her to be truly the mother of God may be aided by

her intercession before Thee, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Three Pillars of Lent Work in Unison

All three pillars; Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving work together as a spiritual recipe for holiness. This is the goal of our faith! We believe and we will relive the events that brought us our salvation during these days of Lent. Let that belief radiate through your heart, mind and soul so that the fruits Our Lord wishes to nourish you with during this time will be received with grace, with joy and with a firm resolve to live according to His will in all that you do.

### Our Lady's Role

One last item to remember. Our Lady is near, waiting for you to call out to her during this time. She stands at the throne of grace in the heavenly kingdom and wants nothing more than to bring souls to her Son, Jesus Christ. She was there at His birth, she was there at the foot of the cross, she watched Him ascend into heaven and received the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost. She knows the story and wants us ALL to know the story and live it out in each of our lives. Trust in her intercession, especially now during Lent, call on her to walk your way of the cross, your way to the gates of heaven.

from Cardinal Raymond Leo Burke, <https://guadalupeshrine.org>

### Palm Sunday and the Sacred Paschal Triduum -

### Volunteer Ministry Roster

Beginning on Palm Sunday and throughout the Triduum, there is the need for more readers, as well as the usual roles that are needed at Sunday Mass. From next Sunday, 4th of Lent (Laetare Sunday) there will be a form available at the entrances to the church. Please consider if you can serve our Parish by accepting one of the ministry roles needed, and add your name and contact details to the list. Thank you.

**ALPHA FILM SERIES**  
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Sacred Heart Catholic Parish, Inverell from May 1 - June 28  
Thursdays at 6pm

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