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Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm

18th July 2021 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Sacred Liturgy

Weekday Masses:

Monday 8.15am - Quirindi - Catechists Mass
Tuesday 2.00pm at Eloura
Wednesday 9.30 am - Werris Creek
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Friday No Mass today

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: Vigil Masses
5.00pm - Quirindi
6.30pm - Werris Creek

Sunday:

8.00am - Willow Tree
9.30am - Quirindi

Carona: Last Sunday of the Month

Baptism: At any Sunday at 11.00am, arrangement to be made with the Parish Secretary. A Baptism preparation seminar is held every 1st Saturday of the Month at 10.00am at the Presbytery Meeting Room.

Reconciliation: Every Saturday at 4.15pm - 4.45pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Every first Friday of the month, after the 9.30am mass until 5.00pm.

Rosary is said 30 minutes before the Mass during weekdays.

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Patricia Grant; Sister Francis Gabriel RSL
Deceased: Terry Fitzpatrick; Kai Fitzpatrick

Anniversary: Eta O'Donnell; Les Crane; Percy & Inelda Hurley; Melva Perkins; Sandra Tighe; Mary Donnelly; Bernard Greer; Gloria Gannon; Norma Howard; Neville Wilson; Jacquelyn Slade; Sonny Raymond; Anthony T O'Donnell; Patrick McCulloch; Philip McMahon; Mona Greer; Thomas Conroy Senior; Helen Easey; Leo Pierce; Sheila McLennara; Peter Kerikaan; Barbara McLennara; Myra Gleeson; Horace Norman; Florence White; Kevin Mitchell; Alan Reaper; Dorothy O'Dwyer; Harold Irwin; Sarah Conroy; John Curran; Ann Parker (Power); Daphne Banister; Mary Hamilton; RWS Wotboys

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest In Peace, Amen.

And for those who are ill:

Pat Reidy; Paul Murphy; Craig Lawrence; Ivy Taylor; Di Dillon; Michael Hausfeld; Sister Pat Bailey; Lisa Brown; Ray Lamb of Gunnedah; Les Ward; David Seiler; Rita Looney; Bobbie Paton; Fr John Willis; Clare Bill; Gleason; Billy Godden; Ros Turton; Gavin Sewell; Ian Gallagher; Fiona Nolan; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lucy Gagli; Father Pat O'Neill; Tom Sanderson; Colleen Hyatt; Michael McCormick; Dan O'Donnell; Marie Dalton; Jack Dunn; Colin Gallagher; Andrew McManus; Joan Greenlee; Rosalynn Chan; all the members of the Parish who are ill.

Other Intentions:

Roster

24/7/2021 R: W Rheinberger
25/7/2021 R: D Kerikaan
C: M & P Perkins

Coming Events

Tues 20 Mass at Eloura at 2.00pm
Fri 23 No Mass today
Sun 25 Mass at Carona at 11.15am
Wed 4 Werris Creek Mass at 11.00am for 50th Celebrations of Church opening
Thur 5 CWL Meeting in the Fr Stan Campbell Hall at 10.00am
Fri 6 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction at 4.30pm
Sat 7 Marian Devotions at St Brigid's at 9.30am, morning tea to follow

Werris Creek celebrations for 50th Anniversary since opening of St Thomas More Church

Will take place on 4 August 2021 commencing with a concelebrated Mass at 11.00am followed by Lunch at Werris Creek Golf Club. Cost of meal \$25.00. RSVP to Liz Jones 0422 078 111 by 21 July 2021. For further information please ring Liz.

Baptism This weekend we welcome Hamish Joseph Hurley into our Christian Community and Baptised into the Mystery of Christ and his Church. Please pray for Hamish's parents Paul & Samantha and his Godparents.

Prayer to St Joseph, Patron of the Holy Catholic Church

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Marian Devotions First Saturday 7th August 2021 at St Brigid's at 9.30am. Cuppa after at St Joseph's Centre. All other Saturday's at Carona Church at 9.30am. For more information, please contact Marie Lawson on 6747 3951.

Unclaimed Items Owners of the food bowls, plates, umbrellas and girl's jacket may collect them from foyer of the Church.

Coronavirus - The following must be observed at all Masses

1. If you are unwell, stay at home and get tested as soon as possible.
2. Please check-in with your details by scanning the QR code using your smart phones or by the log sheet.
3. Sanitise your hands before entering and when leaving the church.
4. Please observe physical distancing inside the Church capacity is one person per 4 square metre rule.
5. Facemasks are mandatory at all non-residential venue including churches and the public spaces.
6. No singing by the congregation at religious services is allowed.
7. Travel to the Greater Sydney, including the Blue Mountains, Central Coast, Wollongong and Shellharbour may not enter these areas without a reasonable excuse.
8. People from the same household may sit together.
9. Before and after Mass celebrant and faithful alike should minimize any time spent together, and particularly avoid gathering in large groups.
10. This church bulletin notice is for single use only. Kindly take this home with you or put it in the bin after use.

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First Collection \$366.15

Breaking Open the Word



THE SAWING WORD

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himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 10: 27

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 6: 30-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

They were as sheep without a shepherd.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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TIME FOR A NEW BEGINNING

The scene of Jesus stepping ashore and taking pity on the crowds who were desperately looking for a guide and shepherd has always been a poignant and moving one. Jesus had taken the disciples aside after the rigours of their mission of preaching. It was to be a moment of rest and reflection, of coming to terms with what they had experienced and learned in their new-found mission. Perhaps what they learn, more than anything else, is the hunger and need the people have for what Jesus has to offer by his presence and teaching. Centuries before, Jeremiah had spoken of God's promise to shepherd the people of Israel and to raise up new shepherds, and a truly wise king. With the mission of the Twelve, and the preaching and healing ministry of Jesus the people have the eyes to see that God's promises are being fulfilled. The time for a new beginning has come.

Paul and the communities formed by him had no experience of the earthly mission of Jesus and it naturally led them to ponder on what difference the life and death of Jesus had made. Today's reading from Ephesians invites us to see the death of Jesus as the means that God used to bring a new humanity to birth. The age-old division between Jews and Gentiles has now been broken down. It is as though Jesus on the cross took to himself all our anger, violence and division, transforming it by the power of his healing and self-giving love.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Jer 23: 1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

The remnant of my flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them: no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David,

who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence.

And this is the name he will be called:

The Lord-our-integrity.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 22: R. v. 2

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. 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, / to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**



2. He guides me along the right path; / he is true to his name. / If I should walk in the valley of darkness / no evil would I fear. / You are there with your crook and your staff, / with these you give me comfort. **R.**

3. You have prepared a banquet for me / in the sight of my foes. / My head you have anointed with oil; / my cup is overflowing. **R.**

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me / all the days of my life. / In the Lord's own house shall I dwell / for ever and ever. **R.**

SECOND READING

Eph 2: 13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Christ, our peace, has made us one.

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in