



Bridgeside Bulletin



The weekly Bulletin of the Catholic Parish of Forster Tuncurry

"Unity in Christ"

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We acknowledge the Worimi people - the traditional custodians of this place

Sunday 21 June 2020,

Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year A

Dear Parish Family,

The Feast of the Sacred Heart which we celebrate the 19th day after Pentecost Sunday is a lovely opportunity to ponder some of the mystery that is God's love in our lives. I often think we get hooked on not being worthy enough as fallible and frail human beings, we talk about being sinners often, forgetting the infinite mercy that is the Divine gift in Jesus himself. So whilst we are still frail and fallible, God himself found us worthy enough to want to save us.



I also think on this Feast day like no other we get an opportunity to pray for all those men and women who have devoted themselves in religious communities, serving the community and dedicated in many ways to the Divine mercy reflected in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We might more specifically think of and pray for Fr Paul and Fr Dennis, members of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, and for Sr Louise whose birthday it was recently, a member of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart. It was also wonderful to have Sr Ellen with us today.

Throughout the scriptures, Old and New, there are numerous references to the heart of God, and Paul writes incessantly about the outpouring of God's love for us found in the very love and heart of Jesus. For the writers it is not a nebulous feeling but a very real presence felt physically.

This feast, though old in our terms has only been celebrated since the 1600s. Like many of our *non saint* feast days this one began with a vision and then of itself swept the world. You might remember that most Catholics had either the Sacred Heart or the Immaculate Heart or both over their beds. I remember my maternal grandmother had both over her bed and that they were important to her faith and her spiritual life.

One of the lines I most often quote when talking about the Sacred Heart is this: 'one heart and one mind with the one Sacred Heart of Jesus.' For me it most aligns with not only the very ministry of the physical Jesus with his disciples but also aligns very closely with the new commandments he gives us 'to love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind and soul, and your neighbour as yourself.' We do what Jesus asks us to do when we are in one mind and heart with Him. And it's physical in the way that the writers who record for us the movement of God in our world through the scriptures experienced it.

It is how we emulate that lived experience given in the scriptures but also how we recognize that God is merciful and kind in our own lives and seek to make that more known. Remember God is slow to anger and rich in mercy of Psalm 103:8; that is the lived experience of the psalm writer which he is sharing with us.

I suppose the bottom line really as we reflect on the merciful heart of Jesus in the Sacred Heart is to acknowledge his forgiveness in our lives and the forgiveness then we are called to share with others.

Kind regards,

Greg

Parish Priest



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Recently Deceased: Adam Nixon, Liz Arnold, Alan Doody, Dorothy Tinker, Fr Plunkett, Eileen Baldock

Anniversary: Shane Pisani, Geoff Garth

We remember and pray for those who are ill at home and in hospital at this time, may they know the healing presence of Christ:

Roseanne Telfer, Michael O'Hara, Marion Prescott, Roger Curry, Dulcie Goldsmith, Barry Bolton, Elizabeth Thomas, Ray Vidler, Rachal, Robert Greig, John McCaig, Lawson Rankin, Josephine Camilleri, Zac Gogerly, Junior Soliano, Ann Moreira, Dawn Gander, Win Preston, Ken Vote, Anna Lee, Robyn Thomas, Angela McNamara, Lucilla Bacalla, Betty Clarke, Tony Pickering, Denis Wilson
Please ring the parish office if you wish to add your loved ones to the sick list and also to be taken off the list once they are well. Thank you.

Process For Attending Sunday Mass

Please note that online live streaming of the 8.00am Mass will continue for the foreseeable future.

The current instruction allows for 50 people plus those directly involved in the 'work' of the Mass to attend. As you know there are some restrictions included with the re-establishment of public Masses: communion on the hand and under only the species of Bread, no shaking hands, no holy water, designated seating, collection baskets available but not passed, social distancing for the communion line, sign in and sign out sheets available and mandatory, no singing, hand sanitiser and the cleaning of the church after each service: to facilitate a speedy and efficient cleaning process I am asking that you avoid kneeling.

If you are unwell, have flu like symptoms or have anything that would put

your health at risk or the health of others at risk you are asked to stay home.

The current Mass times are: 8.00am, 10.00am and Noon.

If you would like to attend Mass at one of the times mentioned you are asked to register, preferably by email however you are able to contact us by phone: forster-tuncurry.pariah@mn.catholic.org.au or 6554 6401.

To Register:

1. Submit your name and the names of each person who will attend with you, your physical address and their address should that be different to yours, and contact phone number for each household.
2. Nominate the Mass you wish to attend: either 8, 10, noon or don't mind.
3. You can register on behalf of someone else providing that you have asked them. I know many don't have emails or access to the internet. Please feel free to pass the word around and talk with your friends about the process
4. If you have registered once you don't need to re-register each week, you will automatically be transferred over to the next weekends register list. Let us know when you will be away so that we can take you off the register for that weekend and also if you would like to change Mass times

Then we will:

1. On the Friday before, we will endeavour to make sure every person who has registered to attend will know that they have a spot or not. Those who have email will receive email confirmation those without will receive a phone call.

If you are sick could you let us know as soon as possible so that we can take your name off the list and include someone else. If you turn up

on the day with flu like symptoms you can't come in.

If you change your mind, please let us know so that we may include someone else in the Mass. When you are ready we will still be here and Masses will still be celebrated. If you just don't show it will mean someone who could have gone will miss out.

If the Church is full should you just turn up, sadly for me I can't let you in under the current restrictions.

Arrival:

1. Arrival at the Church for Mass. In registering and receiving confirmation will ensure your name on a list so that you can enter the Church for Mass. You simply need to add your arrival and departure time to the sign in list.
2. Sanitise your hands as you enter. You will of course be used now to doing this as it doesn't matter where you go it is the norm.
3. Look for the crosses and indicators on the seats where places have been allocated for seating. If you live in the same house you are allowed to sit together, if you travel with some one but don't live with them you are required like all of us to maintain our 1.5 metre distancing. I know it sounds bizarre but it is one way if we can respect the rule to keep the church open.

Departure from the Church:

1. Please sign out.
2. You are asked not to linger after Mass but make your way home or out as your plan. The carpark and surrounds need to be cleared for the next Mass.
3. Remember social distancing is still in place and we are asked to maintain the 1.5 metre distancing..

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask. I want to make it as easy as possible for you to

Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle – Keeping in Touch

We thought you might be interested in these links to different areas of the Diocesan website. There may be items and articles of interest to you, or you might find a new way of keeping up-to-date with what is happening or keeping in touch.

- ▶ www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/
- ▶ <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/liturgy/>
- ▶ <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/spirituality/>
- ▶ <http://mnnews.today/>
- ▶ <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/dio-update-e-newsletter/>
- ▶ https://issuu.com/diomn/docs/aurora_may_2020



TAX RECEIPT FOR END OF FINANCIAL YEAR

If you would like to receive a tax receipt for your planned giving donations for the 2019/2020 financial year please contact the parish office by phone or email. **The cut off date to request a tax receipt is 30 June 2020.**

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Planned giving envelopes for the 2020/21 financial year have been placed in the church for collection. Please don't use your new envelopes until the next financial starts in July.

The current edition of LITed is now ready to view at <https://litedliturgybrisbane.weebly.com/>



Knitting

Thank you to all who have dropped in their knitted items. We have wool available at the parish office for anyone in need of some more.

Gardening

The gardeners are looking for a volunteer to care for the flowers and plants in our Lady's grotto: it would mean watering the plants and cleaning out the rubbish that gets into the grotto. Summer particularly is a difficult time for the poor plants in there. Good working conditions (lots of fresh air) and plenty of perks in heaven 😊 If you could leave a note with Danielle in the office if it is something you are interested in doing for the parish.

Technology Session

We will be holding a Technology Session in the Parish Hall on **Tuesday 30 June at 11am**. The aim is to help those who are unsure how to access those online platforms that assist in keeping us all connected during these isolating time. The main topics we will cover are- **accessing the internet, emails, zoom meetings (Mass live streams) and social media**. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in attending and let us know if there are any other technology related issues you might be experiencing that we can help with.

Share our story

Each week Faith Matters will be exploring individuals and communities rich experience of their faith.

We invite you to share your faith story. Everyone has a story. No matter how ordinary yours may seem,

we all have a story to tell and you never know what it can mean to someone until you share it.

You could use the following questions as a guide.

- Who are the people who guided your faith journey? How did they do that?
- Describe some defining moments of your faith journey? What made them significant?
- How has your faith been reflected in your work, your hobbies, your values, your choices, and your priorities at various times in your life?
- In what ways has your faith guided and supported you over your lifetime? How has your church/faith community guided and supported you?

We hope to use the stories as part of a Faith Matters.

For more information or if you would like to be interviewed please contact rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au or send your story to shareourstory@mn.catholic.org.au

Making it real art competition

The Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement Making it real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world, affirms the positive possibilities for encounter and solidarity offered by new digital media, while warning of those elements of our digital world that may be harmful. The Statement points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this new digital world, but active citizens shaping it.

Artists are invited to create a work based on the themes in the Social Justice Statement. Works must be on A3 paper, with a 150-word artist statement accompanying the work. Entries close Friday 14 August. Exhibition date is Saturday 29 August at San Clemente High School, Mayfield. \$150 prize for each category (Stage 3,4,5,6 and adult). Contact rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au for more information.

First Holy Communion



John Latham



Marie Keep



Robert Johnson



Maureen Harnish

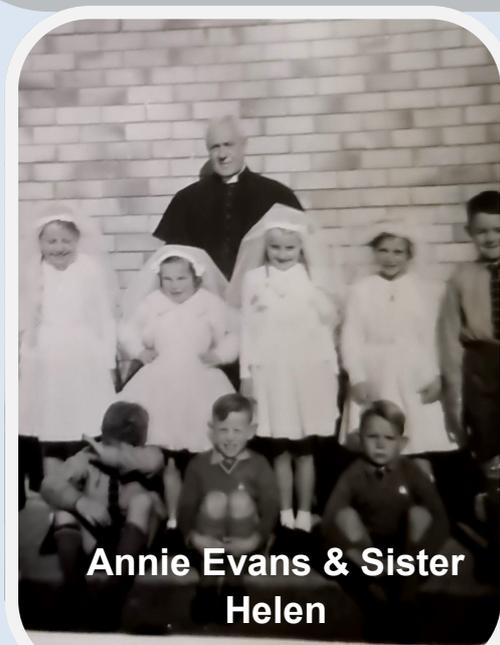
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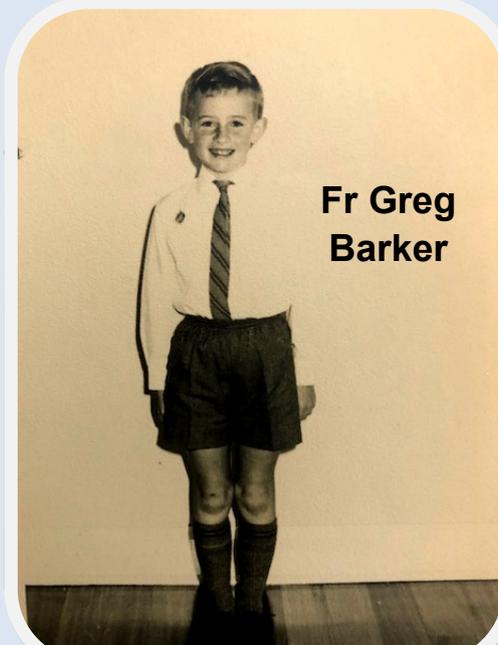
**Monique
Johnson**



**Monique's statue from
grandparents**



**Annie Evans & Sister
Helen**



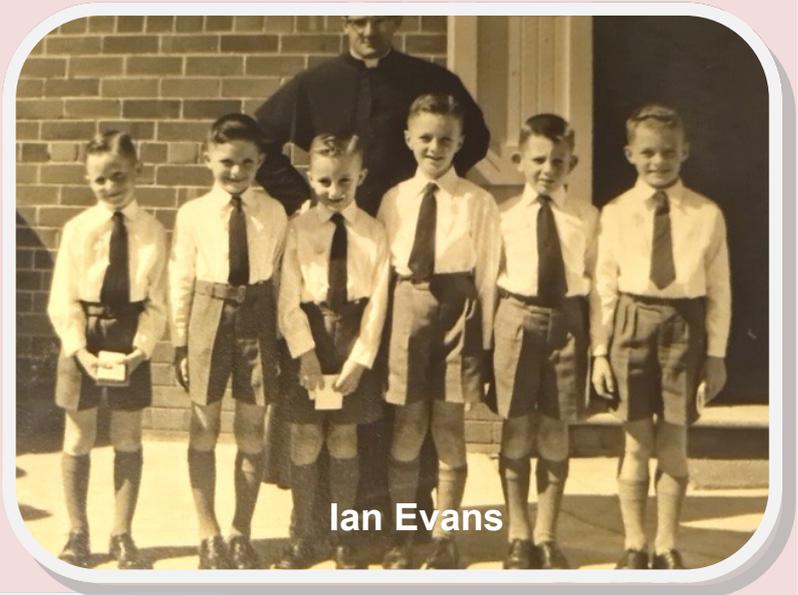
**Fr Greg
Barker**



**Lorraine
Chaffen
(middle)**

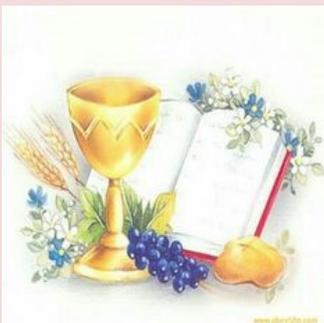
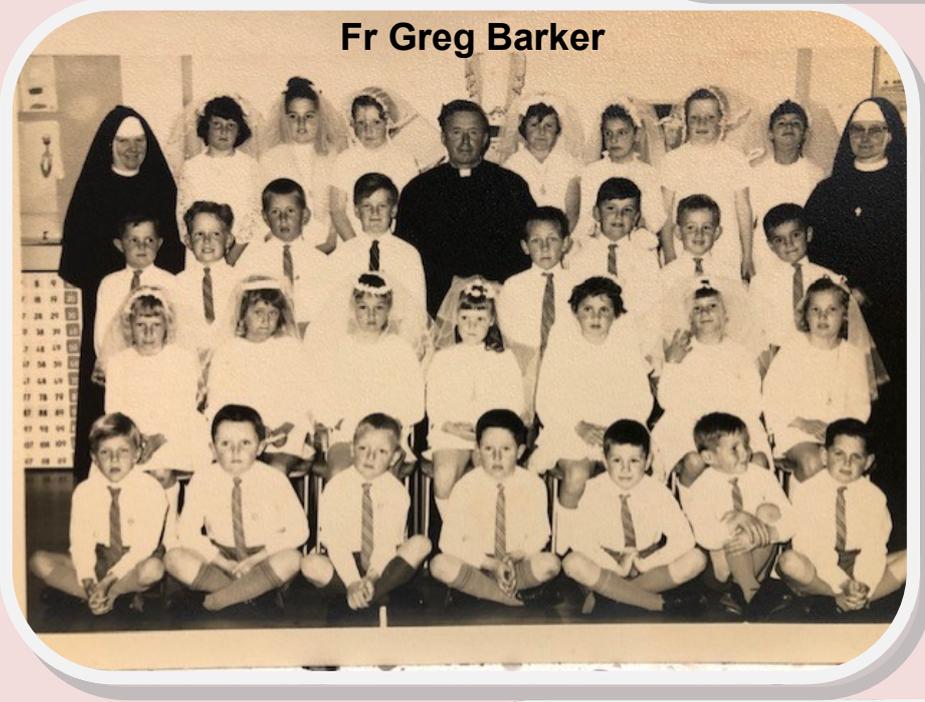


First Holy Communion



Ian Evans

Fr Greg Barker



Lynn Redding



READINGS 20/21 JUNE

First Reading

Jer 20:10-13

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.

Jeremiah said:

'I hear so many disparaging me,

"Terror from every side!

Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"

All those who used to be my friends
watched for my downfall,

"Perhaps he will be seduced into error.

Then we will master him

and take our revenge!"

But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;

my opponents will stumble, mastered,

confounded by their failure;

everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.

But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,

who scrutinise the loins and heart,

let me see the vengeance you will take on them,

for I have committed my cause to you.

Sing to the Lord,

praise the Lord,

for he has delivered the soul of the needy

from the hands of evil men.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 68:8-10. 14. 17. 33-35. R. v.14

(R.) *Lord, in your great love, answer me.*

1. It is for you that I suffer taunts,

that shame covers my face,

that I have become a stranger to my brothers,

an alien to my own mother's sons.

I burn with zeal for your house

and taunts against you fall on me. (R.)

2. This is my prayer to you,

my prayer for your favour.

In your great love, answer me, O God,

with your help that never fails:

Lord, answer, for your love is kind;

in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)

3. The poor when they see it will be glad

and God-seeking hearts will revive;

for the Lord listens to the needy

and does not spurn his servants in their chains.

Let the heavens and the earth give him praise,

the sea and all its living creatures. (R.)

Second Reading

Rom 5:12-15

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin

death, and thus death has spread through the whole hu-

man race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in

the world long before the Law was given. There was no

law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-

breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses,

even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a mat-

ter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself con-

siderably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through

one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that

divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ,

came to so many as an abundant free gift.

Gospel

Mt 10:26-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Do not fear those who can kill the body.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid.

For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and

everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to

you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whis-

pers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill

the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and

soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny?

And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father

knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted.

So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than

hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of

men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my

Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the

presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Fa-

ther in heaven.'

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Gospel Reflection by Greg Sunter

'Do not be afraid' is one of the most commonly repeated sentences in the Bible. In one form or another, the command to 'be not afraid' or 'fear not' appears several hundred times throughout the Old and New Testaments. Today's gospel passage is part of the sending out of the Twelve that occupies all of Chapter 10 in the gospel. It follows a little later in the chapter from last week's reading in which Jesus called the Twelve and sent them out as Apostles. The remainder of the chapter provides an extended teaching on what it means and what it costs to take the message of Jesus out into the world. Jesus teaches the Twelve that the message they bear will not always be well received and there will be those who will seek to silence the Apostles through violent means. But then the teaching comes to the section of today's passage and Jesus commands the Twelve, 'Do not be afraid'.

The message to not be afraid is as much for the original intended audience of the gospel as it was for the apostles. The community for whom this gospel was written were on the verge of being 'squeezed out' and forced into secret. The passage reminds them to have courage and to have the courage of their convictions; to shout from the house-tops their message, not whisper it in darkness. It is a reminder of the abundant love of God who cares for them and sees all their efforts to continue to live out the message and ministry of Jesus.

It is equally a message for us, today. We are called to continue the spread of the gospel message; continuing the work of those early Christian communities, the Twelve and Jesus himself.

Gospel Focus – Fear

When scripture uses the term fear, it tends to fall into one of two meanings. When used in the context of 'do not be afraid' or 'fear not', it is a command to not be daunted by the woes and trials that the world imposes. The other use tends to be a command that we should fear God. In this context, the word does not mean to be frightened of God but rather to show proper reverence. To fear God is to stand in wonder and awe rather than to cower and hide. So, fear God, but do not be afraid!

Living the Gospel – From the house-tops

One of the messages of Jesus to his disciples and, through him, of Matthew to the original community, is to have courage and to have pride in their belief. No matter what threat or persecution they are to endure, the command is to proclaim the message of Jesus from the house-tops. They are to be proud of what they believe and be prepared to share it with others. In a world today that is not always open to the message of Jesus, we too are called to be proud of what we believe and not whisper it in the darkness.

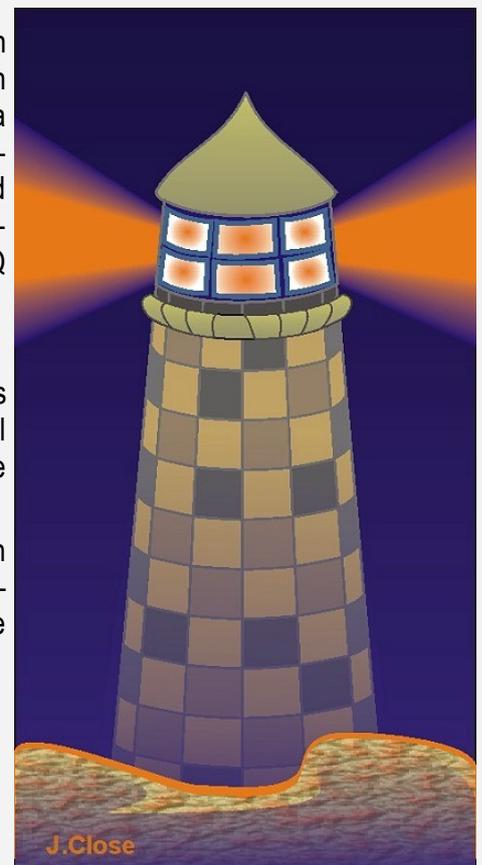
Scriptural context – The Q source

This gospel passage that appears at Mt 10:26-33 is virtually reproduced in the gospel of Luke (12:2-12) but does not appear in the gospel of Mark. Both the gospels of Matthew and Luke draw extensively on the gospel of Mark as a source for their writing but scholars have also deduced that they shared another unknown source. The content of this lost source can only be deduced by the identification of parallel passages such as this one that appear in Matthew and Luke but not Mark. The undiscovered document is known as the 'Q source' after the German word, Quelle (source).

Learning moments

Compare Mt 10:26-33 with Luke 12:2-12 (you might use a gospel parallels book or website). What evidence can you find to suggest that both gospel writers used a common source for this passage? Research the theory of the "Q source" and its use in the gospels of Matthew and Luke.

Identify a person in your community who actively lives out their faith (proclaiming 'from the house-tops'). Interview them about any positive or negative reactions or experiences they have had because of the way they live what they believe.



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time A
Sunday 21 Jun 2020

- Priest:** My sisters and brothers, let us turn to our merciful and loving God who answers the prayers of those who seek him.
- Reader:** For all members of the church called to live as witnesses to Christ and heralds of good news.
(pause) In your glory:
- All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Reader:** For nations seeking release from endless terror and violence.
(pause) In your glory:
- All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Reader:** For an end to racism and all forms of discrimination.
(pause) In your glory:
- All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Reader:** For those who promote the dignity of the poor and outcast in our society.
(pause) In your glory:
- All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Reader:** For the young of the world who desire the fullness of life.
(pause) In your glory:
- All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Reader:** For ourselves, called to trust in the promises of Jesus for a life free from fear.
(pause) In your glory:
- All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Reader:** For those that are sick, especially all those in our parish bulletin.
(pause) In your glory:
- All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Reader:** For the dead and for all who are grieving, especially Adam Nixon, Liz Arnold, Alan Doody, Dorothy Tinker, Shane Pisani, Geoff Garth, Eileen Baldock & Fr Plunkett
(pause) In your glory:
- All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Priest:** Just and gracious God, in you all things that are hidden are made clear. Hear our prayers and inspire us to proclaim your good news from the housetops. We ask this through Christ our Lord. .
- All:** **Amen.**



Calling for volunteers!

DURING COVID-19

IN RESPONSE TO THE GROWING NEED TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THE VULNERABLE AND DISADVANTAGED IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, CATHOLICCARE, TOGETHER WITH THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF FORSTER TUNCURRY, ARE LAUNCHING THE

Foster Tuncurry Community Kitchen.

This service will provide assistance to vulnerable members of the Great Lakes community regardless of their age, gender, physical and intellectual capacity, religion or ethnicity.

Located in the parish hall at 33 Lake St Forster, our service will operate each **Wednesday and Thursday, serving meals between 12:00 and 1:00pm.** However, the Kitchen will offer far more than just a free meal. With the assistance of volunteers, CatholicCare and Forster Tuncurry Parish will create a space where people can feel safe and enjoy the company of others. It will provide a means of social inclusion for its diners. The Kitchen will be a potential outreach opportunity for disadvantaged people to access other services via information and referral.

We are non-government funded and rely primarily on the generosity of the Forster Tuncurry community, volunteers and donors to sustain this valuable service.

Who are the people we support?

The Forster Tuncurry Community Kitchen will care primarily for people who are faced with the following circumstances: Financial hardship; homelessness; mental illness; physical or intellectual disability; and/or social isolation.

How can you help support this valuable service to the community!

If you are looking for ways to support your local community during this pandemic, and you do not identify as being in any of the 'at risk' categories for COVID-19 that have been flagged by health authorities, then we need your help! There are many ways you can get involved, including the collection of food donations from local businesses, assisting with the preparation of the daily meal, making up fruit & veggie packs for our diners, cleaning, serving meals and greeting the people we support with a smile!

You can also contribute to our 'Meat Chest'

Cash donations towards our meat chest will allow us to purchase meat and other dairy products needed to complete our daily menus.

Why should you support our service?

This new service will belong to the Forster Tuncurry Community. It will be your Community Kitchen. It will exist in your town to provide support for vulnerable people you pass by in the street everyday. We need you help to sustain our operations to make a real difference to the lives of the people we support.

All interested parties will be invited to attend information sessions which will be scheduled over the coming weeks.

Volunteers will need to complete a National Criminal History Check, and hold a current Working with Children Check.

If you are interested in volunteering contact the Coordinator on **6539 5900** or email at **sabdoo@catholiccare.org.au**

APPENDIX: Keeping Sunday Holy – What Can We Do?

To assist individuals and families during this time, the Diocesan Liturgy Council has offered the following options, particularly in keeping Sunday holy:

Praying with the Sunday readings: Such prayer may take many forms including *Lectio Divina* and Liturgies of the Word in families or small groups. Parishes may like to download the 'Weekly Prayer Sheet' with the Sunday readings from [LiturgyHelp](#) and email it to parishioners.

The Prayer of the Church: We recommend morning and evening prayer to individuals and families. We suggest downloading the [Universalis App](#) which contains not only the Prayer of the Church but also the Mass of the day and many other things. See also: <https://liturgy.life/2020/03/keeping-sunday-holy-when-we-cannot-gather-for-mass-liturgy-of-the-hours/>

Recorded Homilies: The homilies of Bishop Bill or Fr Andrew from the Cathedral Mass on Sundays will be recorded and made available online by lunch time on Sundays. These may help in individual or small group reflections on the readings of the day. These homilies can be accessed via [Spotify](#) or [iTunes](#).

Mass Streamed from Sacred Heart Cathedral: As already mentioned, the Diocese and Cathedral is currently investigating the possibility of livestreaming the Sunday Mass from Sacred Heart Cathedral celebrated by the Bishop or the Vicar General. Further information will be made available via the Diocesan website, which will also host the livestream if it becomes available.

The resources from [LiturgyHelp](#) can be of great assistance at this time in two significant ways:

This is the time to use LiturgyHelp to its fullest capacity. Make sure you are using your fifty part-username and logins for all your liturgical and pastoral ministers. Those who have access are encouraged to continue to reach out to members of the community during this time. For example, parish secretaries or Children's Liturgy ministers could download the resources under 'children' on the Sunday menu, and then send them to the families of children who would normally participate in Children's Liturgy, or to those who were enrolled in the sacramental journey.

Everyone in the diocese – individuals and families – can access a range of resources being made available through a special login. Parishioners should go to liturgyhelp.com/aus/mn/generalaccess, and enter their name and email address. This is for all people in communities connected to the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle and will be available from Middy on Friday 20 March.

The resources available on the special login access version of LiturgyHelp will grow over time and initially include:

- Access to the daily readings
- Access to the daily Missal texts
- Sunday Prayer Services (Liturgy of the Word and weekly prayer sheets)
- Sunday and Special Feasts Scripture Commentary
- Sunday and Special Feasts Homily and Reflection
- Sunday Universal Prayer
- General prayer – traditional, prayers to our Lady and litanies.
- Sunday Prayer of the Church (Divine Office) from 29 March (morning and evening prayer)

There will be the possibility for us to augment this section over time if that were needed.

A Moment To Reflect

This moment of crisis is for all people, especially people of faith, an opportunity. What is God revealing to us in this unusual moment of hunger for Eucharist? We believe in the centrality of the word of God to our lives as disciples and as a community of the faithful. This is an opportunity to immerse ourselves in the word and to deepen the way we abide in the Word. Who might we become over this time if we do turn to the Word of God as the primary source of our sustenance? We have largely ignored the treasure of the Prayer of the Church – primarily Morning and Evening Prayer. Who might we become if we prayed this prayer and became more familiar with the Psalms and the human cries we hear there?

Let us seize this opportunity so that when this moment is over we might return to our celebration of eucharist with a deeper love for it and a renewed sense of what it means to participate fully and consciously and actively in the Paschal Mystery and life of our Triune God

For reflection

[Article by Massimo Faggioli: Mass Myopia and Coronavirus](#)



BAPTISMS

Celebrated most Sundays.
Bookings via the Parish website

MARRIAGE

Celebrated by arrangement with at least 3 months notice. Bookings via the parish website

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS

Enrolment via the Parish Website

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

(RCIA) Parish Office 6554 6304

CATHOLIC CARE

Phone: 6539 5900 for services provided in Forster

PARISH GROUPS

Christian Meditation

Forster Tues 9.30am
Monica 6555 7038
Hallidays Point Wed 10am
John 0417 249 466

Social Justice Group

Last Wed 5.30pm Meeting Room
Tim Prescott 6555 8517

Maintenance and Gardening Group

3rd Thursday of the month, 8am
Church grounds. Howard 6557 6826

Family and Friends Group

Meets monthly, contact Carol and Terry Pearson on 0408768729.

Singing Practice

Ken Heffernan 6554 6304
(see parish timetable)

Holy Hour

Tues 3.30pm in the Church

Finance Council

3rd Wednesday of the month, 5pm
Meeting Room

Pastoral Council

2nd Wednesday of the month,
5.30pm Meeting Room

Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help and Rosary

Wed 11.00am in the Church
Shiony 0411 493 086

Secular Franciscan

Fraternity

4th Sunday of the month after the
9.00am Mass

menALIVE Group

4th Wed after 9am Mass in the
meeting room. Michael Amato 6554 5284



SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Sat. 6.00pm
Sun. 7.00am, 9.00am & 5.30pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8.30am & 4.45pm

YOUTH MASS

3rd Sunday of the month at 5.30pm.

AGED CARE MASSES

(Subject to change)

Glaica House:

2nd Thurs 10.30am

Estia Forster: **3rd Tues**

10.30am

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