Parish Bulletin

St Carthage's Cathedral Parish, Lismore



SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

• St Carthage's Cathedral, Lismore *Mass Times*

Tues -Thurs 8.00am, Fri 12.05pm. Sat Vigil 5.30pm, Sun 9am & 11am Reconciliation-Fri 11.30am-11.50am Sat 4.45pm-5.15pm

• Carmelite Monastery Chapel, Goonellabah

Mon-Fri 7am, Sat 8am, Sun 7am

- St Dympna's Church, Dunoon **Sunday 8.30am**
- St Vincent's Hospital Chapel *Wednesday 12 noon*

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PAYS 4.15% INVEST WITH PEACE OF MIND!

Head office: 10 Orion St, Lismore, 1800 802 516.

14 April 2024, 3rd Sunday of Easter, Year B

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY - WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Next Sunday, 21 April is Good Shepherd Sunday and the Church asks each of us to pray for, or to consider vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life. Each person in the community has a role to play in encouraging vocations - whether by prayer, encouragement or personal suggestion.

Special collection envelopes will be available at the entrance to the church.

"We pray that the Holy Spirit will create a culture of vocations in our diocese, and that young people in our parish will respond to the Lord's invitation to become priests, brothers and sisters. Amen."

ANZAC DAY MASS

There will be a special ANZAC Day Mass offered for our fallen 'who gave themselves in service and sacrifice for their country'.

This special Mass will be offered at the 8.00am Mass at the Cathedral on Thursday 25 April. This will still allow time for those attending the ANZAC March to relocate to the town centre afterwards.



"LEST WE FORGET"

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

For parents of those children who do not attend one of the Catholic Schools, St Carthage's Cathedral Parish will be providing a Sacramental Program for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation (Year 3 and above), Reconciliation and Eucharist (Year 4 and above).

To register your child for any of these Sacraments please contact Jenny at the Parish Office on 66260200 or email: office@stcarthages.org.au

The program will commence Monday 13 May at 6.00pm in Doyle House.

HEADS UP! - AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA



St Carthage's Cathedral Parish will once again be hosting Australia's Biggest Morning Tea for the Australian Cancer Council on Thursday 23 May from 10.00am at Doyle House.

Last year we raised a total of \$1000 for the Cancer Council.

There will be opportunities for raffles and money boards on the morning so bring in those extra coins.

Why not enter in our best finger food competition. You will have the opportunity to put your vote in - gold coin/note donation of course - and have your say as to the best on the table!

Please bring a plate of food to share, a tea/coffee mug along with your donation and join us in raising money for this worthy cause.

You can also donate by clicking on the QR CODE or at https://www.biggestmorningtea.com.au/fundraisers/jennyfalls

Looking forward to seeing you all there.

LITURGY ROSTER

April 14 - Third Sunday of Easter

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Suzanne Nichols Reader 2 Cathy Donnelly

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Alice Magner Reader 2 Jacob Franey

Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 Nestor Basio Reader 2 Ging-ging Basio

April 21 - 4th Sunday of Easter

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 John Maloney Reader 2 Jennifer Juleff

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Pauline Geitz Reader 2 Kathy Boath

Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 Steve Moran Reader 2 May Hall

Rosary Fellowship

1st Saturday of the month 12pm at the front of the Cathedral. Contact: Steve 0417 218 237

Holy Rosary

St Carthage's Cathedral Saturday's 4.00pm. Everyone most welcome.

Gospel Sharing

Dovle House, Thursday 3.30 - 5.00pm. All welcome.

Holy Communion at Home

If you know of someone who would like Holy Communion at home please call the office on 6626 0200.



St Carthage's Conference of St Vincent de Paul

Volunteers Needed

Contact President Cathy Bell on

66215835 or

email: catherine.bell@vinnies.org.au or phone Rosie Leo: 0490258139





BAPTISM

Our Parish family welcomes into the faith and life of the Catholic Church this week:

Zariyah Mary Madwaya-Skinner Amayah Rose Modwaya-Skinner

The Catholic Weekly

The Weekly is available at the back of the Cathedral for \$2.00.

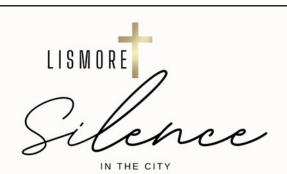
This week's articles include:

- Neocat ordinands walk through "valley of death" to diaconate
- Vatican publishes document on human dignity
- St George icons exhibited by painter Michael Galovic
- Mathoura Carmel veils first local sister
- Rome calls for worldwide ban on surrogacy

Disciple Diaries: God taught Ouyen love

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Catholic Weekly

Slaving the last dragon



Reading Reflection

Called to be prophetic witnesses

To his Nazi captors, Polish priest and Conventual Franciscan friar Maximilian Kolbe was prisoner number 16670. But to Franciszek Gajowniczczek, his fellow inmate in Auschwitz, Maximilian was much more and his sacrifice would change his life forever.

In late July 1941, a prisoner escape in Auschwitz prompted the deputy camp commander to order the deaths of 10 men to deter future escape attempts. When Maximilian heard Franciszek, who was one of the ten selected, cry out for his wife and children, he volunteered to take his place. Franciszek was reunited with his wife after the war and lived to be 93. He said that, as long as he lived, he would tell everyone about Maximilian's courageous act of love.

Jesus's dying and rising again, like Maximilian's act of sacrifice and love, was not only a moving act of humanity; it was also a prophetic witness of God's redemptive love.

The gospel reading today describes a vivid post-Resurrection appearance of Jesus. The disciples met Jesus on the road but only recognised him in the breaking of the bread. Then, quite dramatically, they see him standing in their midst and they were both terrified and overjoyed to see him again. He invites them to touch his hands and feet. He eats a piece of fish which they give him.

At Easter, we enter into the mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus. God, in his love for us, yearns to draw us into his presence for all eternity. It is a profound paradox that his gift of eternal life and love entailed the ultimate sacrifice of an excruciating death on the cross.

For each of us, taking up our cross also means we are utterly vulnerable to pain, suffering and death. Nevertheless, with the grace of One who has also walked this path, we find strength to do the same. St John of the Cross likened suffering to being like a log in the fire. We are consumed by his love and are forever transformed by the experience. Our suffering becomes transformative if we yield ourselves entirely to God.

Yet, our faith is not only a source of grace in own individual suffering and death. It is a prophetic witness for all time. Jesus reminds his disciples that everything that was written about him in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms has now been fulfilled, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached to all nations, beginning with Jerusalem.

We are called to rise with Jesus to a new life. In communion with our faith companions and all the saints from ages past, present and future, we are also called to be prophetic witnesses to his redemptive love. Clothed in our baptismal garments, anointed by holy oil, and redeemed by blood, let us proclaim this Easter promise to everyone. He is risen indeed.

Sophie Clements

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Please remember in your prayers;

THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED: John "Peter" Mazzer, Nonieza Regudo Mase, Joanne Briggs, Pree Singh, Canesio Basio, Frank Vanz, Annette Watson, Peter Smith, Betty Arts, Barry Foley, Peter Tiernan, Lourie Williamstown.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Bridget Collits, John Rynne, Frank Tooley, Annette O'Connor, Eddie Burns, Esther Todd, Teresa McFadden, Kenneth Waller, Betty McKee, Ian Goldspring, Maureen Felsch, John Barns, Carl Felsch, Michael Martin.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME: Fr Charles Kakumanu, Fr Steven O'Donnell, Kathleen Bollard, Tom Fields, Nita and Frank Willis, Tony Nipperess, Daniel Gallagher, Neville Byrne, Tony Evans, Anastacia Tooley, Oliverio Monteagudo, Maureen and Kevin Robson.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: All departed souls

COLLECTION TOTALS - April 6/7, 2024

First Collection - \$ 1089.80

Second Collection - \$ 1508.00

Bank Deposit: Please use Surname and envelope number (if applicable) as a reference e.g. Smith 23

First Collection (Support of Diocese Priests) -

St Carthage's Cathedral Parish Clergy Account BSB 062 565 Acc 10435601

Second Collection (Support of Parish and Ministries) -

St Carthage's Cathedral Parish General Account BSB 062 565 Acc 10435599

FIRST READING

Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15. 17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

The Word of the Lord. **Response: Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7

(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom

the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)

'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

SECOND READING

1 John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments,

is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

The Gospel of the Lord. Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK

Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12 1 John 3:1-2 John 10:11-18

