

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

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Bishop of Lismore

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Administrator

Fr Alexander Munyao

Assistant Priest

Revd Graeme Davis

Deacon

30 April 2023, Good Shepherd Sunday, Year A

PASTORAL COUNCIL VOTING

This week voting will open for St Carthage's Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council.

We have included a short Bio on each of our nominees with a voting form on the back. Please write clearly the names of the three nominees you would like to see on the council and place your voting form in the box at the back of the Cathedral or on any of the collection plates. We ask you to please only vote once. Voting is open until Sunday 7 May.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY - WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today 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."

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

We have all at some stage been impacted by cancer, whether it be family, friends or even personally.

This year, St Carthage's Cathedral Parish will be hosting Australia's Biggest Morning Tea for the Australian Cancer Council on Thursday 25 May from 10.00am at Doyle House.

Why not enter in our best sweet and best savoury 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>



BECOME A VINNIES MEMBER AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

The St Vincent de Paul Society (Vinnies) has been supporting Australians doing it tough since 1854. We are here to offer a 'hand up' to people in their time of need.

Our members volunteer through local groups called Conferences and provide support with food clothing, financial aid and other assistance, companionship and connection, referrals onto local services, raising funds and advocating for social justice issues.

Give back to your community by becoming a Vinnies Member today.

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LITURGY ROSTER

April 29/30 April - 4th Sunday of Easter

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Cathy Donnelly
Reader 2 Fiona Fennamore

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Jill Ritson
Reader 2 Maria Whitney

Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 Gerardo Inghoy
Reader 2 Paul Collits

May 6/7 - 5th Sunday of Easter

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Janette McFadden
Reader 2 Janelle Heffernan

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Alison Cleaver
Reader 2 Pauline Geitz

Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 Ging-ging Basio
Reader 2 Nestor Basio



BAPTISM

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

Atticus Michael Bone

St Matthew's Self Care Units, Jubilee Avenue, Goonellabah



We have a one bedroom unit for sale at the St Matthew's Units in Jubilee Avenue, Goonellabah.

If you are interested please contact Cory at Wal Murray Real Estate on 0447 128 150.

Rosary at St Dympna's Dunoon

Rosary is prayed every Wednesday, 5.00pm at St Dympna's Church, Dunoon.

All are welcome to attend.



Brotherhood Rosary Crusade

When: 1st Saturday of the month 12pm

Where: At the front of the Cathedral

Contact: Steve 0417 218 237

A REMINDER - SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM - MAY 8

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).

There will be a registration/information night on Monday 8th May 6.00pm Farrelly Room, Doyle House. To register your child for any of these Sacraments please contact the Parish Office on 66260200 or email: office@stcarthages.org.au

COLLECTION TOTALS - Weekend 22/23 April, 2023

First collection - \$ 1018.45 Second collection - \$ 684.95 Loose - \$ 264.40

Please write on the envelope the amount given.

If you would prefer to direct deposit your contribution into the bank please deposit to the following accounts using your 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



Please remember in your prayers;

THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED: Domenico Moras, Macedon Borres Jnr, Cleone Edwards, Gloria Estreich, Danny Gallagher, Bede Flynn, Thomas James, Carmelita Bohol, Elena Benitez.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Kenneth and Frances Waller, Esther Todd, Peter Newport, Michael Webb, John Devassy, Loy Callaghan, June Sharpe, John Kopinski, Kristin Robison, Chris Bird, Stephen Munyaio and Marcelino Gabriel.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME: Bishop John Satterthwaite, Norma and Augustin Labininay, Vigilia and Keith Lavender, Kathleen Bollard, Frank and Nita Willis, Myrene Norval, Gayaga Gaerlan, Jose Gaerlan and Oscar Benitez.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Bessie Higgins



The Catholic Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Diocese of Lismore, we ask you to contact us.

We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss options you have available to you.

To contact the Safeguarding Office please phone (02) 6621944 or email: safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au

Reading Reflections

Our Shepherd Protector

I was once driven by a farmer named John to his farm in country Victoria. It was winter and rather cold. He drove an old farm truck and I was seated on the front passenger side. Our journey took us through green, undulating countryside and through many pastures.

As I was the front seat passenger it was my duty to hop in and out of the truck and open and close every gate we encountered. I had to get out of our cosy and warm truck to open and close between 13 and 15 swing gates in a freezing wind. It was not much fun.

On the way back from John's farm, it was the same ritual. I was puzzled why there were so many gates on the one property. With a broad smile John explained, "I think it deters criminals, knowing they have to stop and get out to open the gates."

Jesus uses two 'shepherding' images in today's gospel. He describes himself as a shepherd of his flock of sheep and as a gate to protect the sheep. He teaches, "I am the gate of the sheepfold. Anyone who enters rightly through this gate will be safe. Anyone who does not enter through the gate but gets in some other way is a criminal."

The image of God as a shepherd also features in the Old Testament, where God's relationship with the people of Israel is compared to a shepherd and his sheep. The prophet Isaiah says that God is like "a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms." God says to the prophet Ezekiel, "I myself will pasture my sheep ... I shall be a true shepherd to them."

In biblical lands of old, sheep were an important part of the economy. The shepherd stayed very close to his sheep, by day and by night. So close and so caring that, as Pope Francis says, the good shepherd "smells the sheep."

A shepherd would risk his life for his flock. He slept with the sheep and looked after them, knowing them individually and calling them using a unique whistle or call. The sheep heard the familiar call and followed the sound. They knew their welfare depended on staying close to the shepherd and responding to his call.

The concept of God as shepherd is fulfilled in Jesus, our true shepherd, our gate and our protector. He is the good shepherd, who calls his sheep individually by name. The sheep follow him because they know his voice and trust in his care. He is also the "gate of the sheepfold," as it is through him the sheep are sure of finding pasture and safety. So it is through Christ that the people of God, called by name and responding to his voice, enter into the pasture of eternal life.

Anthony Tran CSsR
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The Catholic Weekly

We are once again selling limited copies of the Catholic Weekly. The price is \$2.00 and they are available at the back of the Cathedral. This week's articles include:

- A Cross fit for a King
- Podcast of faith for students
- Father Bob, a beloved larrikan
- Gifts that renew parishes
- Remembering Anzac
- Why I became Catholic

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FIRST READING

Acts 2:14. 36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 22:1-6. R. v.1

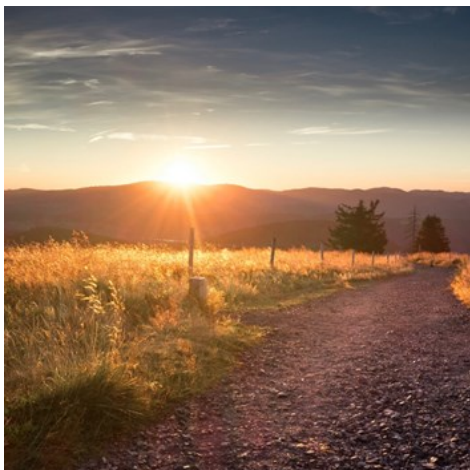
**(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.**

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.)**

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.)**

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.)**

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

1 Peter 2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 10:1-10

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold.

All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them.

I am the gate.

Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.

I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK

Acts 6:1-7

1 Peter 2:4-9

John 14:1-12