

Parish Bulletin

St Carthage's Cathedral Parish, Lismore



SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

- St Carthage's Cathedral, Lismore
Tues -Thurs 8.00am, Fri 12.05pm.
Sat Vigil 5.30pm, Sun 9am & 11am
Reconciliation - Sat 4.45pm-5.15pm
- Carmelite Monastery Chapel,
Goonellabah
Mon-Fri 7am, Sat 8am, Sun 7am
- St Dymphna's Church, Dunoon
Sunday - 8.30am

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19 February 2023, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A



BISHOP GREG'S LENTEN TALKS

Bishop Greg's Lenten Talk Series continues!

This year's theme is "The Spirituality of St Teresa of Avila: This great 16th Century mystic helps us understand ourselves and shows us how to pray."

The talks will be held at 6.00pm on Thursday 23rd February, 2nd and 16th March. (Please note there is no talk on 9th March)

All are most welcome to attend.

The talks will also be available on the Diocesan Youtube Channel from 3rd March. <https://www.youtube.com/c/LismoreDioceseAU>

RITE OF ELECTION

After journeying together over recent months we have a group of people who are now wishing to join the Catholic Church during the Easter season. They will be accepted into this time of preparation for the reception of the sacraments at the 9.00am Mass on Sunday 26th February when we celebrate the Rite of Election. Please keep them in your prayers.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of the Season of Lent when we prepare for the Feast of Holy Week.

From Ash Wednesday to Holy Week it is a time of fasting, penance, prayer and abstinence. Please use this special time of Lent to pray for others and our own forgiveness and reconciliation with God and neighbour.

Ashes will be blessed after the Homily at each of the Masses in our parish on Ash Wednesday, 22 February.

Mass times are as follows:

7am - Carmelite Monastery

8am - Cathedral

12noon - St Vincent's hospital

12:05pm - Cathedral

5:30pm - Cathedral

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will take place on Fridays during Lent at 6:00pm in the Cathedral commencing 24 February.



Project Compassion Sunday - 18 & 19 February

Please take home a set of project compassion envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and

For All Future Generations. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.

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LITURGY ROSTER

February 18/19 - 7th Sunday Year A

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1	Youth Mass
Reader 2	Youth Mass

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1	Maria Whitney
Reader 2	Russell Shearman

Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1	Rory Coffey
Reader 2	Paul Collits

February 25/26 - 1st Sunday of Lent

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1	Margaret Condon
Reader 2	Janette McFadden

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1	Alison Cleaver
Reader 2	Kelli-Ann Bugden

Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1	Nestor Basio
Reader 2	Cathy Donnelly

 **CATHOLIC MISSION - TURKEY AND SYRIA**
EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

To provide immediate relief to families that have suffered catastrophic loss, the Pontifical Mission Societies (PMS) has mobilized its network of missionary priests, religious sisters, laymen and women to aid survivors. Responding to the call of the Church, Catholic Mission is aiding missionaries on the ground providing pastoral support and immediate assistance to those impacted by the earthquakes. To make a donation please visit <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/see-our-work-in-action/earthquake-appeal>

The Catholic Weekly

This week's stories include:

- Religious Education changes. Faiths confront Attorney General
- Renovation that's Divine. Sydney conference a big success
- Homily; Education for Life
- University Chaplaincies are key
- Love overcomes time. Remarkable nursing home experiment
- Maronites mark 50 years

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World Day of Prayer 2023 Taiwan "I Have Heard About Your Faith"



Date & Time: Friday 3 March, 9.30am

Location: St Carthage's Cathedral followed by Morning Tea

Contact: Parish Office 66260200 or Mary Ford 0417685618

World Day of Prayer - Dunoon

St Dympna's Church, Dunoon will also be holding their World Day of Prayer event on Friday evening, 3 March at 7.00pm.

All are welcome to attend.

BAPTISM

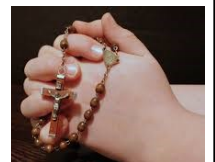


Our Parish family welcomes into the faith and life of the Catholic Church this week

Albie Mitchell Oliver

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



Adoration and Benediction

Adoration and Benediction is celebrated at the Carmelite Monastery after the 7am Mass on the First Friday of each month. All welcome to attend.



Reading Reflections

Learn To Love Not Hate

In an often-violent world, the call to non-violence is counter cultural. War between Russia and Ukraine has shown us the extremes of violence where missiles bring death and destruction. However, violence is not just in a distant land but present in many of our homes.

In October, the federal government, with the support of all states and territories, released a national plan to end violence against women and children within a generation. It is staggering to learn that one in three women has experienced physical violence since the age of fifteen and one in five sexual violence. Gendered violence should have no place in our society, and this ten-year strategy aims to educate and to eliminate this behaviour.

Some have used the image of two hands to symbolize the way forward with the upright hand saying, 'stop what you are doing', to the person involved in injustice or violence and the outstretched hand saying to the same person 'we need to talk'. Rejection of physical, verbal, and mental violence needs to include a willingness to dialogue and find ways of settling differences.

In the book of Leviticus, God establishes the moral and purity laws that serve to set Israel apart from other nations. God tells Moses to make the people aware that they are called to holiness just as their God is holy. This holiness takes the form of love of neighbour which calls us to purge from our hearts anger, resentment, hatred, and all forms of discrimination. However, these attitudes will only be overcome if we heed the words of Jesus to love our enemies, to be merciful, to forgive, and to reject violence.

Jesus also modelled non-violence by confronting injustice and violence when he challenged a group of men who accused a woman of adultery, and on the night before he died, he told Peter to put away his sword after he had struck the servant of the high priest. Jesus' non-violence is the power of love in action for the wellbeing of all.

We must stand against systemic injustice and violence not by retaliating in the same manner but with love and truth. 'Turning the other cheek' is not an invitation to passivity in the face of violence, but a way of assisting the perpetrator to begin to think about their behaviour and engage in dialogue. If we believe God loves us equally, we will work together to address racial and religious differences, oppressive gender norms, discrimination and inequality which are at the heart of violence.

The problem is that violence often begets violence so if we practiced 'an eye for an eye and tooth for a tooth' we would soon have a world of sightless and toothless women and men. There are better ways to live and these better ways flow from a deep love and respect for one another.

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COLLECTION TOTALS - Weekend 11/12 February 2023

First collection - \$ 602.40 Second collection - \$ 414.70 Loose - \$ 260.30

Please write on the envelope the amount given.

Direct Deposit: First - \$ 441.00 Second - \$ 629.00

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: Vincenza Santoro, Graham Dunstan, Allan Nowlan, Margaret Mitchell, Johnny Tenegra, Denise Fields, Dorothy Tickle, Mary Gillies, Diane Miller, Elaine Dwyer, Robert Argent, Constance Anne de Dassel and Elizabeth Caragher

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Michael Webb, John Devassy, Loy Callaghan, June Sharpe, John Kopinski, Karl Meir, Kristin Robison, Chris Bird, Stephen Munyao, Rosa Aboc, Mary Ranger and Marcelino Gabriel.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME: Sandra Lavis, Frank Bermingham, Mira Sladic, Mary Josephine Fischer, Maria Griffani, Jack Thorp, Eddie Cabatan, Timoteo and Casimera Calunsag.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: All souls in Purgatory



FIRST READING

Leviticus 19:1-2. 17-18

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: 'Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy.

"You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence; this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 102:1-4. 8. 10. 12-13. R. v.8

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

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.)**

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.)**

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults. **(R.)**

As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.
As a father has compassion on his sons,
the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Make no mistake about it: if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are, or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Whoever keeps the word of Christ,
grows perfect in the love of God.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11



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

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