

# 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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**Deacon**



26 February 2023, 1st Sunday of Lent, Year A

### RITE OF ELECTION

Please pray for our RCIA Candidates who at this weekend's 9am Mass will celebrate the Rite of Election.

Catechumens - Ensun West, Scarlett Hoad, Dominic Haynes and  
Cameron Delaney

Candidates - Gale Munce and Alison Grossfeldt

After journeying together over recent months, during Lent they will complete their preparation for the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

### BISHOP GREG'S LENTEN TALKS



Bishop Greg's Lenten Talks have commenced in the Cathedral.

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."

There are two remaining talks which will be held on 2nd and 16th 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>

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will take place in the Cathedral on Fridays at 6.00pm during Lent.

### First Sunday of Lent - 25 & 26 February



After losing her father when she was just 10-years-old, Laxmi was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty.

But with the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club, became a leader in her school and is now a mentor to other children in her village.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow

**For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion envelopes, by visiting <https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion> or by calling 1800 024 413.



### Looking ahead

17 March - St Patrick's Day

20 March - St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

25 March - The Annunciation of the Lord

2 April - Palm Sunday

2 April - Lismore Symphony Orchestra Concert, Cathedral 3.00pm

3 April - Chrism Mass 7.00pm, Cathedral



### 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](mailto:safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au)



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1800 802 516.  
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## LITURGY ROSTER

### February 25/26 - 1st Sunday of Lent

#### Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Margaret Condon  
Reader 2 Janette McFadden

#### Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Cathy Donnelly  
Reader 2 Robert Ireland

#### Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 Nestor Basio  
Reader 2 May Hall

### March 4/5 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

#### Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Pauline Celich  
Reader 2 Janelle Heffernan

#### Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Kathy Boath  
Reader 2 Alison Cleaver

#### Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 Paul Collits  
Reader 2 Ging-ging Basio

### 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



St Vincent de Paul Society  
*good works*

Are you still impacted from the floods?

We may be able to help.

Call St Carthage's Conference, Lismore on 66214672 on Monday, Wednesday, Friday between 11.00am -11.30am for an appointment.

White goods, beds, bedding and some household furniture available.

Please provide proof of address.



## 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.



REMEMBER  
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CATHOLIC  
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Enrolments are still open for Semester 1 at Catholic Theological College.

We have many areas of study that may be of interest such as *John Henry Newman and the Church in the Nineteenth Century, Pastoral Leadership for a Safe Church and many online options*

For more information contact: [registrar@ctc.edu.au](mailto:registrar@ctc.edu.au) or visit [ctc.edu.au](http://ctc.edu.au)

### 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>



## Reading Reflections

### Christ's Love Touches Us All

The ancient texts in the book of Genesis, which speak to us of creation and then our fall from grace, provide us with the most marvellous insights into our nature and the nature of the world about us. Creationists who insist only on a literal interpretation of such biblical texts do themselves and us a great disservice, precisely because they fail to grasp the depth of meaning that lies within them.

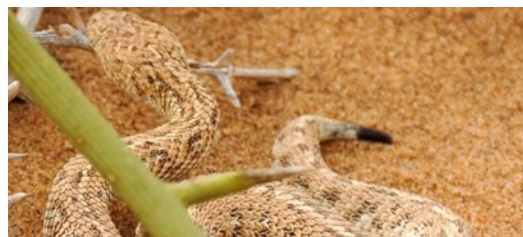
We believe that the whole of the bible was written under the inspiration of God and has been preserved so that we can grow in knowledge and understanding and deepen our relationship with the Lord. Thus, we are told at the end of today's first reading: "Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realized they were naked."

The temptation of our first parents that left them exposed was not simply a matter of disobedience, eating some fruit which they had been told not to eat. The temptation was presented by the serpent in these terms: "No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil."

We can put this another way; human beings have certainly discovered the difference between good and evil, but tragically we continue to create chaos in our own lives and in the lives of those around us by being proud enough to think that this is our world and we can do what we like with it. Doesn't this sum up perfectly the source of all sin and the very nature of sin? The first eleven chapters of Genesis give us a graphic description of the chaos that ensues once human beings try to wrest the world from God.

Fascinatingly, the message of salvation begins in chapter 12 with the promise to Abraham of a saviour, and the rest of the Old Testament is the up and down story of the people through whom that saviour would come into the world. On this First Sunday of Lent, the Church is inviting us once again to take stock and recognize that is possible to heal the hurt of sin, so that we individually and the whole of creation, can be redeemed.

St Paul shows us how the new Adam, Christ, conquers death, the consequence of sin, and offers us new life. And as we listen to the temptations in Matthew's Gospel, we see the temptations in Matthew's Gospel, we see how Jesus refuses to be lured into the misuse of power and control. He has come to set us free, so that we, who have been created in the image of God, can learn to love again.



Timothy J Buckley CSsR  
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**FOUND:** After the 5.30pm Mass last Saturday a hearing aid was found in the Cathedral.

If you think it may be yours, please see one of the Sisters.

### COLLECTION TOTALS - Weekend 18/19 February 2023

**First collection - \$ 821.20    Second collection - \$ 437.20    Loose - \$ 265.25**

**Please write on the envelope the amount given.**

**Direct Deposit: First - \$ 209.13    Second - \$ 181.00**

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, Yolanda Saluñga, Aida Mangaliag, Graham Dunstan, Allan Nowlan, Margaret Mitchell, Johnny Tenegra, 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:** Barbara Hoult, Amanda Hoult, Barry Kennedy, Oscar Benitz, Sandra Lavis, Martana And Edna Castillo, Frank Bermingham, Mira Sladic, Mary Josephine Fischer and Maria Griffani.



## FIRST READING

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

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil.

Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden.

The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

**The Word of the Lord.**

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 50:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. see v.3

**(R.) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.  
In your compassion blot out my offence.  
O wash me more and more from my guilt  
and cleanse me from my sin. **(R.)**

My offences truly I know them;  
my sin is always before me.  
Against you, you alone, have I sinned;  
what is evil in your sight I have done. **(R.)**

A pure heart create for me, O God,  
put a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **(R.)**

Give me again the joy of your help;  
with a spirit of fervour sustain me.  
O Lord, open my lips  
and my mouth shall declare your praise. **(R.)**

## SECOND READING

Romans 5:12-19

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human 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 matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably 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. The results of the gift also outweigh the results of one man's sin: for after one single fall came judgement with a verdict of condemnation, now after many falls comes grace with its verdict of acquittal. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

**The Word of the Lord.**

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.  
**Praise to you, lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

## GOSPEL

Mt 4:1-11

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.'

Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## NEXT WEEK

Genesis 12:1-4

Timothy 1:8-10

Matthew 17:1-9