

Parish Bulletin

St Carthage's Cathedral Parish, Lismore



SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

- St Carthage's Cathedral, Lismore
Sat Vigil 5.30pm, Sun 9am & 11am
- Carmelite Monastery Chapel,
Goonellabah
Mon - Fri 7am, Sat 8am, Sun 7am
- St Dymphna's Church, Dunoon
Sunday - 8.30am

Online Streaming of Sunday Mass can be viewed on the Lismore Diocesan Website or at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYxOjNyku4JCI08vfeTq-fQ>

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31 January 2021, 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B



Trust in the Truth

It is not unusual to suggest that people have been 'economical with the truth'. Generally, this is a kind way of suggesting that they have been embellishing a story or telling a 'white lie' to avoid giving offence.

However, in this new age of tweeting on social media, in some circles the truth seems to have become a rare commodity. If lying becomes commonplace it certainly damages trust and inevitably human relations become strained and societies become divided. Of course, there is always the temptation to conclude that we are seeing a deterioration in behaviour by comparison with a bygone era and there is no doubt that duplicity and deceit have been part and parcel of the human story from the very beginning.

This Sunday the Church invites us to reflect on how Moses reassured his people that God would raise up a prophet like himself, to whom they must listen and whom they could trust. There is also a warning for those prophets who choose to go their own way. They will not prosper. The Old Testament is littered with the stories of such prophets who tried to mislead the people for their own ends.

Ultimately, there is no doubt that Moses is pointing us towards the coming of Jesus. At the beginning of his gospel, Mark is determined that we should get the connection by establishing the authority of Jesus, who acts and speaks in a manner that clearly the people had not been used to. Jesus makes a deep impression on them precisely because he teaches 'with authority'. He speaks the truth.

The battle between good and evil is going to be waged and it is the man who possesses the spirit of evil who identifies Jesus of Nazareth as "the Holy One of God". This is the truth that Mark wishes to establish in our minds right from the outset and everything that follows is designed to reinforce that message. In our age, as in every age, we are caught up in the great struggle between good and evil.

At the same time, the recurring theme is that Christ, in his passion, death and glorious resurrection, has conquered and that his victory is our victory if we allow his Spirit to dwell within us. By the time John is writing his gospel, after a lifetime of meditating on this mystery, repeatedly he returns to the notion of truth. At the Last Supper he recalls that Jesus points out to Thomas that he is "the way, the truth and the life", having previously taught those who took his word to heart: "you will learn the truth and the truth will make you free."

In an age of fake news, we will do well to ensure that we always speak the truth and then we can enjoy the freedom that follows.

Tim Buckley CSsR
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DUNOON MASS RECOMMENDING

Sunday 8.30am Mass will resume at St Dymphna's, Dunoon next Sunday, February 7. Parishioners attending Mass at Dunoon will have to sign in, sanitise and remember to observe social distancing regulations when seating - please leave 1.5 metres from other family groups.



PARISHIONER REGISTRATION CARDS:

There are a number of cards at the entrance to the Cathedral waiting for collection. Please bring the card each time you attend the Cathedral to assist with quick registration.

If you do not have a card or have misplaced it, please let the Sisters know and one will be made up for you.

BISHOP GREG'S LENTEN TALKS

Once again Bishop Greg Homeming's Lenten talks will be held in the Cathedral on the following Tuesday nights:

Tuesday 23rd February

Tuesday 2nd March

Tuesday 9th March

Tuesday 16th March

Bishop's talks commence at 6pm and conclude before 7pm.

All are most welcome to attend. So spread the word



PREGNANCY HELP NORTHERN RIVERS would like to thank all those who have donated items for the Pamper Packs for new Mums. Our hardworking workers have packed them into beautiful gift packs and they have been received with joy.

We collect small shampoo, conditioner, hand cream, pretty soaps, toothpaste, face washers, perfume samplers etc - anything to make a new mum feel special. We have also been able to put together some packs to assist those homeless women in our community so they feel someone cares about them as well.

If you would like to help by donating new, small items for the packs, please call Beth on 02 66224787 (leave a message) and we will be in touch.

BIBLE STUDY AND BIBLE SHARING

Bible study will once again be held on Wednesday evenings 6.00pm - 7.30pm commencing February 10.

Bible sharing will be held on Thursday evenings 5.30pm - 7.00pm recommencing February 11.

Both evenings are held in the Farrelly Room at Doyle House.

All are welcome to attend.



Positions Vacant

St Augustine's Parish, Coffs Harbour is seeking applications for the following:

Schools' Revenue Manager

Schools' Revenue Officer (part-time, fixed-term)

Please refer to the advertisements on Seek.com or email

jobs@lismore.catholic.org.au for further information on each role.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: Sunday 7 February 2021



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

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



If you are interested please contact Chris at the Parish Office on 66260251.

Can You Help??

There is a Year 12 student in urgent need of a family to provide a room so he can complete his final year of schooling.

He has no drug and alcohol issues; he does have historical trauma and a diagnosis of ADHD and is keen to complete his Senior Year.

His long-term goal is to gain an apprenticeship in mechanics.

If you think this is something you can offer please contact Fr Alex for more information on Ph 66 260200 or Roberta Brooks -Program Worker - Housing & Employment Community, Family & Youth on 0427 533 432

Please remember in your prayers;

THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED: Bishop Luc Matthys (Armidale), Archbishop Phillip Wilson (Adelaide), Mickey Micallef, James Gilbert, Cesar Jordan, Rogelio Macutay, Estilio Piga, Anne Hay, George Richey, Rod Greschke, William Wood, Terry Pilati, Norma Pittana, Luke McNamara.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Julie Joblin, Maureen Salkeld, Glenda Ryan, George Ives, Frank Scarrabelotti, Tracy Wing, Val Magurran, Louise King, Mary Herne, Judith Lehmann, Gerry Ebbelaar, Diane Hughes, Veronica Geitz, Carmel Windred.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME: Jack Thorp, Jim Duffy, Regina and Jim Bazzo, Bernadette Wynn, Anthony Garcia, Byron Moss, Neville Ford, Patrick Schmidt.

OTHER SPECIAL INTENTIONS: For all Souls in Purgatory.



THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES

Please bring your Parishioner Registration Card for scanning on entry to the Cathedral.

MON 1 Feb	7.00am: Mass - Carmelite Monastery
TUES 2 Feb	Presentation of the Lord 7.00am: Mass - Carmelite Monastery 8.00am: Mass - Cathedral
WED 3 Feb	7.00am: Mass - Carmelite Monastery 8.00am: Mass - Cathedral
THURS 4 Feb	7.00am: Mass - Carmelite Monastery 8.00am: Mass - Cathedral
FRI 5 Feb	7.00am: Mass - Carmelite Monastery 12.05pm: Mass - Cathedral
SAT 6 Feb	8.00am: Mass - Carmelite Monastery* 5.30pm: Vigil Mass - Cathedral Rosary from 5.00pm
SUN 7 Feb	7.00am: Mass - Carmelite Monastery* 8.30am: Mass - Dunoon 9.00am: Mass - Cathedral Rosary from 8.30am 11.00am: Mass - Cathedral Rosary from 10.30am

Confession Cathedral - Saturday 4.45pm - 5.15pm
Sunday 10.15am - 10.45am

*If you would like to attend the Saturday or Sunday Mass at the Carmelite Monastery you must book in by calling their office on **6624 1240**.

You can leave a message if they do not answer.

Sunday Mass With Bishop Greg Homeming on YouTube Live



You are invited to view Holy Mass from 8am live and on demand from your devices and at any time afterwards. You can access the livestream on the Diocesan Website or by clicking on the following link <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYxOjNyku4JCI08vfeTq-fQ>

You can even point the camera on your smart device at the digital code here and it will take you to the live stream.



BAPTISM



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

Harper Rose Harvey

COLLECTION TOTALS - Weekend 24 January, 2021

First collection - \$552.35 Second collection - \$599.50 Loose - \$ 143.00
Direct Deposit - First \$500.10 Second - \$110.00

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 eg. 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

We thank you for your continued support throughout this time.



LITURGY ROSTER

31st January - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Reader 1	SATURDAY 5.30pm Margaret Condon	SUNDAY 9.00am Barbara Walsh	SUNDAY 11.00am May Hall
Reader 2	Fiona Fennamore	Cecilia McKendry	Nestor Basio
Servers:	Annabel, Chloe, Josie-Ana	Michael M, Bryan	
Acolyte:			

LITURGY ROSTER

— 7th February - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Reader 1	SATURDAY 5.30pm Annabel Pezzutti	SUNDAY 9.00am Russell Shearman	SUNDAY 11.00am Please let sisters know
Reader 2	Anne Ross	Jill Ritson	if you available.
Servers:	Annabel, Chloe, Josie-Ana	Michael M, Bryan	
Acolyte:	Julian		

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."'

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.9

(R) If today, you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;

hail the rock who saves us.

Let us come before him, giving thanks,

with songs let us hail the Lord. **(R.)**

Come in, let us kneel and bend low;

let us kneel before the God who made us

for he is our God and we

the people who belong to his pasture,

the flock that is led by his hand. **(R.)**

O that today you would listen to his voice!

'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,

as on that day at Massah in the desert

when your fathers put me to the test;

when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **(R.)**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

A people in darkness have seen a great light:
a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 1:21-28

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep

impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

The Gospel of the Lord.

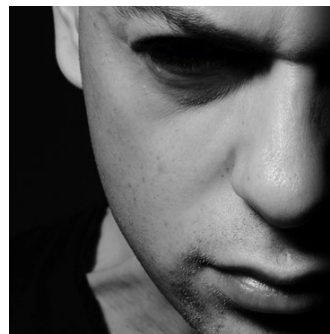
Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK

Job 7:1-4. 6-7

Corinthians 9:16-19. 22-23

Mark 1:29-39



KEEPING EVERYONE COVID SAFE

We ask you to please follow the guidelines below when visiting the Cathedral.

PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY TO ALLOW TIME FOR REGISTRATION and MAINTAIN 1.5 METRES WHEN SIGNING IN

IF YOU HAVE ANY COLD/FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND.

ENTRANCE: Entry is only via the western side entrance (Car Park Side).

If you need to use the wheel chair access on Dawson Street, please let one of the Sisters know when you arrive.

ON ARRIVAL: All Parishioners must sanitise hands on entry, register using Parishioner Card or record name and contact details for EVERY member of your group CLEARLY on the Mass attendance sheet. Please place used pens in container provided.

SEATING: Please ensure you sit in only the open pews. Remember to observe social distancing of 1.5 metres from other family groups when sitting.

SINGING: Although Choirs are now allowed, to avoid any viral transmission through voice projection, there will be no congregational singing.

HOLY COMMUNION: Please observe social distancing when coming forward for Holy Communion which may be only given in the hand.

FACE MASKS: Although not compulsory in our region, the wearing of masks in places of worship is a recommendation of the NSW Government.

