

# 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*

### PARISH OFFICE

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### PARISH CLERGY

Bishop Gregory Homeming OCD  
**Bishop of Lismore**  
Fr Bing Monteagudo  
**Administrator**  
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Fr Alejo Despacio  
**Assistant Priests**  
Revd Graeme Davis  
**Deacon**



**PAYS 4.15%**  
**INVEST WITH PEACE OF MIND!**  
Head office: 10 Orion St, Lismore,  
1800 802 516.

**14 January 2023, 2nd Week of Ordinary Time, Year B**

### AUSTRALIA DAY - PLEASE NOTE UPDATED TIME OF MASS

Friday 26 January is Australia Day and Mass will be held at 9.00am in the Cathedral. We ask you to come along and pray for our parish, our city and our nation Australia.

**There will be no 12.05pm Mass on this day.**

### A Prayer For Our Nation

Grant we pray O God, that as the southern cross shines in our skies, so may Christ bring light to our nation, to its peoples old and new, and by your saving grace, transform our lives through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS,**

**PATRONESS OF AUSTRALIA, PRAY FOR US**



### A HEADS UP - BISHOP GREG'S LENTEN TALKS

Bishop Greg will be holding his Lenten Talks in St Mary's Chapel, 6.00pm on Monday 19, 26 February and 11 March. Please note there will no talk on Monday 4 March.

This year he will speak of "Themes From St Therese of Lisieux".

All are most welcome to attend.



### The Catholic Weekly

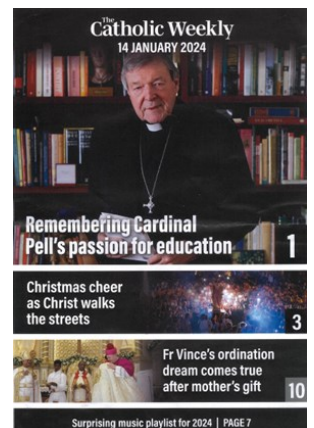
The Weekly is available at the back of the Cathedral for \$2.00.

This week's articles include:

- Remembering Cardinal Pell's passion for education
- Christmas cheer as Christ walks the streets
- Surprising music playlist for 2024
- Fr Vince's ordination dream comes true after mother's gift
- ACT Human Rights Commission speaks broad dying laws
- Monica Doumit: Fiducia Supplicans a gift for the church?

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## LITURGY ROSTER

### **January 13/14 - 2nd Sunday Ordinary Time Year B**

#### **Saturday 5.30pm**

Reader 1 Suzanne Nicholls  
Reader 2 Janette McFadden

#### **Sunday 9.00am**

Reader 1 Alison Cleaver  
Reader 2 Kathy Boath

#### **Sunday 11.00am**

Reader 1 Cameron Delaney  
Reader 2 May Hall

### **January 20/21 - 3rd Sunday Ordinary Time Year B**

#### **Saturday 5.30pm**

Reader 1 Margaret Condon  
Reader 2 Cathy Donnelly

#### **Sunday 9.00am**

Reader 1 Jonalynne Andersen  
Reader 2 Russell Shearman

#### **Sunday 11.00am**

Reader 1 Oliver Rixon  
Reader 2 Steve Moran

### **St Carthage's Conference of St Vincent de Paul**



Volunteers Needed : Contact President  
Cathy Bell on 66215835 or  
email: [catherine.bell@vinnies.org.au](mailto:catherine.bell@vinnies.org.au)  
or phone Rosie Leo: 0490258139

### **Rosary Fellowship**

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

### **Holy Rosary**

St Mary's Chapel behind the Cathedral, Saturday's 2.30pm. Everyone most welcome.

### **Gospel Sharing - Recommencing 25 January**

Doyle 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.



## TAKE SOME TIME

**Rest is so necessary for  
the health of our minds and bodies,  
and often so difficult to achieve  
due to the many demands  
placed on us.**

**But rest is also essential  
for our spiritual health,  
so that we can hear God's voice  
and understand what he asks for.**

**Pope Francis**

## YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT 12-14 APRIL 2024 INVERCAULD HOUSE

REGISTER HERE



# ABIDE

*"do whatever he tells you"*

PLEASE REGISTER BY APRIL 7TH 2024.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:  
Parish Office: (02) 668 110 48 or  
Sr. Di, CM 0405 327153



## Reading Reflection

### *Listening to the Lord*

What are we looking for? What is it we want? They're good questions to ask ourselves occasionally, or indeed, have put to us. It's what Jesus asks Andrew and his friend in the gospel. They respond with another question: 'where do you live?'

It seems they want to learn from him, but implicit in their question are other questions like, who are you and what are you on about, and where do you abide? Jesus responds saying, 'come and see'. They're pretty much the first words spoken by Jesus in John's gospel and it's an invitation: we're invited to do the same.

We might invite those looking for some meaning in their lives to come and see us. Come and see how we relate to one another and welcome newcomers into our church. Are we able to see him in how we relate to one another? Does Jesus abide with us, because this is his promise, if only we are open to it.

The next day Andrew goes to tell his brother Simon that he has met the Messiah. The day before he had addressed Jesus as Rabbi, now he unexpectedly discovers the truth in what John the Baptist has said, that Jesus is the anointed one, the one on whom the Spirit rests. It's not Peter who calls Jesus the Messiah but Andrew. He's the one who brings people to Jesus; he has the gift of inviting us to come and see. Indeed, the only time he's mentioned in the gospels is in the company of others. We might recognise him in the life of the parish.

Then, when Andrew brings Simon to Jesus he gives him a new name! It indicates a real change in his life, a new relationship with God, a new purpose. However, the 'rock' doesn't emerge till much later because he's as impetuous as ever throughout the gospels, but Jesus sees in him a steadfastness, and similarly, in each one of us. It's the transforming power of God at work in our lives.

In the first reading the Lord comes to the young Samuel who, aided by Eli, is enabled to hear him and take to heart his word. He doesn't dismiss what he hears, but listens to the Lord. Like Jesus, he is the one who listens. As ever, it's the Lord who takes the initiative in coming to us and we have only to respond to his call, wherever we hear it, however unexpectedly.

Finally, in the second reading, Paul lays great store by the body. Our bodies matter to him. Indeed, they're the temple of the Holy Spirit he says, for where else could we experience the Spirit but, in the body, which means not just our own bodies but together in the Church, the body of Christ, we are enabled to do the will of the Lord and, in doing so, to follow him and abide with him. In this is our promise of glory.

Damian Coleridge

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### *Please remember in your prayers;*

**THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED:** Maximo Valera, Elias Sareno, Nelsie Castellano, Mario Giacobetti, John Slater, Ron and Joy Burgees, Fran Hayes, John McDermott, Don Hennessy, Peggy Geitz, Eileen Partridge, Chaiel Balcombe.

**THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Teresa McFadden, Betty McKee, Adam Phillips, Michael Martin, Ian Goldspring, Chaiel Balcombe, Margaret Amos, Joshua Ruff, Esther Todd, June Sharpe, John Devassy, Kenneth and Frances Waller, Michael Webb, Kristin Robison.

**THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME:** Bernadette Wynn, Ian Higgins, Charles Bugeja, Joe Vella, Joyce Hamilton, Oscar Holwell, Violet McGuigan, Joyce Parkhill, Geoff and Patrick Schmidt.

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** All departed souls



### **COLLECTION TOTALS - January 6/7**

**First collection - \$ 1238.96**

**Second collection - \$ 1178.10**

**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



### **The Catholic Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office**

The Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contactable if you have any Safeguarding concerns.

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)

## FIRST READING

1 Samuel 3:3-10.19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am'. Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

**The Word of the Lord.**

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. vv. 8.9

**(R.) Here am I, Lord;**

**I come to do your will.**

I waited, I waited for the Lord.  
and he stooped down to me;  
he heard my cry.

He put a new song into my mouth,  
praise of our God. **(R.)**

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,  
but an open ear.  
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.  
Instead, here am I. **(R.)**

In the scroll of the book it stands written  
that I should do your will.  
My God, I delight in your law  
in the depth of my heart. **(R.)**

Your justice I have proclaimed  
in the great assembly.  
My lips I have not sealed;  
you know it, O Lord. **(R.)**

## SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 6:13-15. 17-20

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, which is in you since you have received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

**The Word of the Lord.**

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

We have found the Messiah:

Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

**Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

John 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

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

## NEXT WEEK

Jonah 3:5. 10

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20

