

Parish Bulletin

St Carthage's Cathedral Parish, Lismore



SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

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

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31 July 2022, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C



What Is Important In Life?

The story is told of a rich industrialist who was disturbed to find a fisherman sitting lazily beside his boat. "Why aren't you out there fishing?" he asked. "Because I've caught enough fish for today," said the fisherman. "Why don't you catch more fish than you need?" the rich man asked.

"What would I do with them?"

"You could earn more money," came the impatient reply, "and buy a better boat so you could go deeper and catch more fish. You could purchase nylon nets, catch more fish, and make more money. Soon you would have a fleet of boats and be rich like me."

The fisherman asked, "Then what would I do?"

You could sit down and enjoy life," said the industrialist.

"What do you think I'm doing now?" The fisherman replied as he looked placidly out to sea.

This is an interesting story, but it asks us about what is important in life. We all strive to achieve, provide for our families, and the next generation. If we are blessed with a stable work situation and a good income, we are fortunate, but there will come a time in life when we ask what is important.

The gospel begins with a dispute about an estate, and sadly the death of a parent or a relative sometimes leads to arguments about the estate. The person who made the bequest wanted to divide assets for the benefit of all but sometimes a member of the family gets preferential treatment and others are excluded. It is easy to see how this can lead to dispute and litigation between family members which can end in bitterness and estrangement. This is always a very unfortunate outcome.

The parable of the rich man is like that of the industrialist who spoke to the fisherman, and it asks us to think about our priorities in life and whether or not they are governed by the economics of accumulation or other principles. There is nothing wrong with having assets for they are necessary for life, but it's what we do with these assets. Obviously, we should provide for our family and business partners, but we also have a responsibility if we are blessed with assets to look to the good of those in need. Do we have a plan for the distribution of some of our yearly gains to different charities? Have we considered the needs of our faith community and our commitment to educate children, support those in need of housing, rehabilitation programs, aged care and what can we do for countries suffering disaster?

The gospel is not only about proclaiming good news but witnessing by our actions that the message of Jesus resonates in our lives and leads us to bear witness not just in word but also in deed.

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CATHEDRAL UPDATE

We are very pleased to announce that the contractors are completing the last of their projects and the final cleaning and setting up of the Cathedral will occur next week.

This means the Cathedral will be open for the celebration of Mass from Saturday 6 August.

Mass times **FROM Saturday 6 August** will be as follows:

Cathedral

Saturday Vigil - 5.30pm
Sunday 9.00am and 11.00am
Tuesday - Thursday 8.00am
Friday - 12 noon

Carmelite Monastery

Saturday 8.00am
Sunday 7.00am
Monday - Friday 7.00am

St Dymphna's Dunoon

Sunday 8.30am

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mother Superior - Sr Stephanie Marie, and all the Carmelite Nuns for giving so generously the use of their Chapel over the past 5 months for weekly Masses, funerals and baptisms. It has been greatly appreciated by all clergy and parishioners.

RCIC - SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

We are very excited that we are able to offer the Sacramental Program for children living in our parish and attending State and non-Catholic Schools.

Baptism and Confirmation will be offered to those children in Year 3 and above, Reconciliation and Eucharist, Year 4 and above.

If you would like your child/children to receive any of these Sacraments they have yet to receive, please contact the parish office on 6626 0200 or email: office@stcarthages.org.au before 1 August.

NATIONAL VOCATIONS WEEK

August 1 - 8 is National Vocations Awareness Week in Australia. It is a week set aside in the Church calendar to pray and promote our shared Baptismal call to follow and serve the Lord. Throughout National Vocations Awareness Week, we pray specifically for those who are taking steps in their discernment. We pray for our young people responding to the call, those entering convents and seminaries, those living in discernment, for engaged couples and young people in ministry and mission.

CATHOLIC BOOK AND GIFT SHOP

First Eucharist as well as other special events are happening and we have that gift you are seeking for a special occasion. Due to being wiped out during the flood the Gift Shop is located at St Vincent's Hospital. You can enter via Dalley Street, through the coffee lounge and up the stairs or use the main entrance of the hospital, up the lift to level 2 and follow the signs. While you are there why not test out the coffee and cake!

All proceeds will go to the purchase of equipment and special projects at St Vincent's Hospital. Open each week day 9am-4pm and the phone number is 6627 9229.



LITURGICAL CALENDAR

6 August - The Transfiguration of Our Lord—The transfiguration of Jesus is a story told in the New Testament when Jesus is transfigured and becomes radiant in glory upon a mountain. Jesus and three of his apostles, Peter, James, and John, go to a mountain (the Mount of Transfiguration) to pray. On the mountain, Jesus begins to shine with bright rays of light. Then the prophets Moses and Elijah appear next to him and he speaks with them. Jesus is then called "Son" by a voice in the sky, assumed to be God the Father, as in the Baptism of Jesus.

8 August—St Mary of the Cross MacKillop—Mary Helen MacKillop RSJ (15 January 1842 – 8 August 1909) was an Australian nun who has been declared a saint by the Catholic Church, as St Mary of the Cross. Of Scottish descent, she was born in Melbourne but is best known for her activities in South Australia. Together with the Reverend Julian Tenison-Woods, she founded the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart (the Josephites), a congregation of religious sisters that established a number of schools and welfare institutions throughout Australia and New Zealand, with an emphasis on education for the rural poor.



LITURGY ROSTER

30/31 July - 18th Sunday Ordinary Time

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Pauline Celich
Reader 2 Fiona Fennamore

Sunday 7.00am

Reader 1 Steven Powell
Commentator Mila Knaudson

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Robert Ireland
Reader 2 Pauline Geitz

Once again Australian Catholics are being offered deep re-engagement with our sisters and brothers globally. Covid challenged our ability to reach beyond but now you can again consider **Mission opportunities abroad.**

Enquire online or **Ph: 0422 742 567** about a placement to engage your skills and **Register** for a Webinar on **Monday August 1st at 7:00 pm** for the chance to talk directly with Palms' partner communities abroad and two Australian program participants recently posted to work with them. Invite your friends. **The stories will inspire.**



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The Catholic Weekly - This Week's Stories

- Five more for the harvest
- The Natural Way: Experts back NFP funding
- Set in Stone: Barangaroo ceremony recalls WYD 2008
- Deepening Love: New marriage enrichment course
- Movie review: *Nope*
- Dempsey medals honour unseen service

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MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Carmelite Monastery

Monday to Friday 7am
Saturday 8am

St Vincent's Hospital

Wednesday 12noon

Parish Office

The Parish Office is located on the top floor of Doyle House.

The new entrance is on the left-hand side of the building.

Ring the door bell and we will come down to you. Phone number is 6626 0200

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Please remember in your prayers;

THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED: Emily McNamara, Denise Grissell, Peter Bortolin, Freda O'Keefe, Pat Carne, Raymond Gale, Michael Condon.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Karl Meir, Chris Bird, Ian Higgins, Stephen Munyao, Rosa Aboc, Mary Ranger, Marcelino Gabriel, Glenda Ryan, Loy Callaghan.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME: Brother Mark Murphy, Lucy Gooley, Ione Thorp, Colin Willis, Paolo Fusarelli. Doris and Ossian Todd, Coralie Cruice.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Fran Griffin, Ann Thomson.



COLLECTION TOTALS - Weekend 16/17 July

First collection - \$ 674.80 Second collection - \$ 499.50 Loose - \$ 177.00

Direct Deposit: First Collection - \$ 120.15 Second Collection - \$ 86.00

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
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FIRST READING

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back into dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. **(R.)**

You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. **(R.)**

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **(R.)**

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 12:13-21

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK

Wisdom 18:6-9

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Luke 12:32-48



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