

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*
- Carmelite Monastery Chapel,
Goonellabah
Mon-Fri 7am, Sat 8am, Sun 7am
- St Dymphna's Church, Dunoon
Sunday - 8.30am

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16 October 2022, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C



Persistence in prayer

The Amalekites were a fierce desert tribe, unhappy about strangers coming into their territory and they became one of Israel's enemies in the early periods of their history. After the lengthy Israelite Exodus from Egypt, and as they prepared to enter the promised land the Amalekites attacked Israel, but Israel repulsed the attack. The battle took place at Rephidim – the last stopping-place of the Israelites on the Exodus from Egypt before they reached Mt Sinai.

As the leader of the people, Moses asks Joshua, who will be his successor, to engage the Amalekites in battle while he went with Aaron, his brother, and Hur, a co-leader of the people, to a hill where they could see the progress of the battle. The prayer of Moses ensures victory, but when he became tired, they gave him a rock to sit on and then held up his arms in prayer until Joshua achieved victory.

It is a memorable story of the power of prayer, although one feels sorry for the Amalekites who were one of the inhabitants of the land the Israelites were to occupy. However, the message of the story is that God looked after the chosen people whom God delivered from exile in Egypt.

Persistence in prayer is also the theme of the gospel with the widow gradually winning over the judge, not by argumentation, but by the consistency of her request for justice against her adversary.

Do these two stories mean that we can get God to give us what we want if we just persist in making our request?

The answer is no for a God whom we can manipulate is not the God in whom we believe. We pray to God in hope for the outcomes we desire but we cannot presume that God will give us what we want. We pray in hopeful expectation but not with presumption and God gives us what we need even if it is not what we hoped for.

We may not always receive that for which we pray; instead, something entirely different may come our way. Some people deal with this by saying, "I asked something of God, and God's answer was no." Our prayers of petition are an acknowledgment of our dependence on God, and we must never stop turning to God in our need, but we patiently await God's response.

We should also remember that petition is only one form of prayer. There are prayers of praise, thanksgiving, contrition and worship. These prayers are our response to God, who has spoken to us before we even think to pray. God speaks through creation, and we respond in praise; God speaks through people and events of our lives, and we express our gratitude; when we have been unfaithful to our commitments, God calls us back, and we repent; God's past goodness speaks to us, and we worship the one who cares for us.

Michael A Kelly CSsR
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MISSION SUNDAY

Envelopes for Mission Sunday, October 23, are now available at the back of the church. Donations can also be made by visiting catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia or scanning this QR Code.



NOVEMBER MASSES

If you would like to submit names for the November Mass Intentions, you can email Jenny at office@stcarthages.org.au. You can collect envelopes for your intention from the back of the churches and place them in with the collections. Please ensure all names are printed CLEARLY.

The list of names will be placed on the notice boards and distributed via email with the Parish Bulletin.

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS DAY

On Tuesday 1st November we celebrate the solemnity of All Saints Day followed by All Souls Day on Wednesday 2nd November.

Mass times for All Saints Day, Tuesday 1st November:

Carmelite Monastery 7.00am.

St Carthage's Cathedral 8.00am and 12.05pm.

Mass times for All Souls Day, Wednesday 2nd November:

Carmelite Monastery 7.00am.

St Carthage's Cathedral 8.00am, 12.05pm and 5.00pm.

THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY



This week's Catholic Weekly stories include

- Archbishop Nona: "They took everything". Now ISIS could live among us
- Cancelling Christians: The Andrew Thorburn Affair
- Dr Miriam Rose: A voice for reconciliation
- Married men ordained
- Archbishop delivers first Newman lecture
- Pedalling Priest

You can subscribe to the Catholic Weekly by following this link:

<https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/subscriptions-to-the-catholic-weekly/>

A Prayer for Year 12 students sitting their

HSC Exams

Lord, pour out your Spirit of Wisdom on these students: help them to remain calm, to attend carefully to the questions asked, to think clearly, to remember accurately, and to express themselves well.

Grant that they may reflect on the best of the work they have done and the best of the teaching they have received.

Accept their best efforts in these examinations and in the great test of life on earth.

May your love be upon them, O Lord, as they place all their trust in you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



BAPTISM

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

Maximus Lewis Walker

Oliver Joseph Walker

Theodore Edward Walker

Zacharie Jay Foord-Crowther

**FOLLOW
THE VOICE
WITHIN**

**YOUNG ADULT
RETREAT**

AGES: 18 - 35 YEARS OLD

SPEAKER: BISHOP GREG HOMEMING, OCD

05 NOVEMBER, SATURDAY

9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

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Register by 15 October 2022



LITURGY ROSTER

October 15/16 October - 29th Sunday Ordinary Time

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Annabel Pezzutti
Reader 2 Patrick Okimaru

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Russell Shearman
Reader 2 Alison Cleaver

Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 Gerardo Inghoy
Reader 2 Steve Moran

October 22/23 - 30th Sunday Ordinary Time

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Margaret Condon
Reader 2 Cathy Donnelly

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Robert Ireland
Reader 2 Pauline Geitz

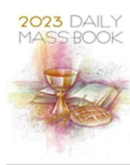
Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 Rory Coffey
Reader 2 Paul Collits

CATHOLIC BOOK AND GIFT SHOP

New items have arrived for the coming season and Christmas.

Ordos 2023, Daily Mass Books, Break Open the Word. Christmas cards, Columban Calendars and some delightful gifts and Nativity scenes and books. Open week days 9am - 4pm. Phone 6627 9229. Enter via the Coffee shop on Dalley Street or take the lift to level 2 and follow the signs. Eftpos is available. Grab a coffee and pop up and have a look.



Looking Ahead



23 October - World Mission Sunday - envelopes available at the back of the Church
26 October - Sacrament of Confirmation, 6.00pm
1 November - All Saints Day
2 November - All Souls Day
Bible Sharing every Thursday evening 4.30pm-6pm
(St Matthew's Community Centre)

Vacancy - Catholic Chaplain



We are seeking applications for a role within the Diocese, a Catholic Chaplain who will be supporting the Mid north Coast Correctional Centre in Kempsey, NSW.

The Chaplain position is 70 hours a fortnight, however part-time will also be considered. The suitably qualified Chaplain will provide high quality transformational pastoral care and spiritual support to inmates, their families/carers, and staff. Access [EthicalJobs.com.au - Employer Portal](https://www.ethicaljobs.com.au) to obtain more information and to apply online for the role or alternatively email your resume to jobs@lismore.catholic.org.au or call the People and Capability Advisor on 02 6621 9444. The closing date for this role is 23 October 2022.

Pregnancy Help

You can make a difference. A Pro Life Pregnancy Help organisation, Pregnancy Help Sydney, is looking for volunteers to take their free training course, which you can do from your own home and attend 2 in service weekends in Sydney in 2023. PHS is a free 24/7 telephone support service for pregnant women. For more information and expressions of interest by 1 November please call Karin on 0403 305 431 or email support@pregnancyhelpsydney.com.

COLLECTION TOTALS - Weekend 8/9 October

First collection - \$ 549.75 Second collection - \$ 487.50 Loose - \$ 99.50

Direct Deposit: First - \$ 156.00 Second - \$ 249.00

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: Alan Schmidt, William Kay, Will Van Den Heuvel, Maria Viel, Michael Lewis, Lucia Galt.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: John Kopinski, Karl Meir, Kristin Robison, Chris Bird, Ian Higgins, Stephen Munyao, Rosa Aboc, Mary Ranger, Marcelino Gabriel, Glenda Ryan.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME: Patricia Holwell, Gloria Cruice, Adrian and Mary Todd, Barbara Sands, Charles Bugeja, Nancy and Frank Tarlinton, Deborah Luce.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Joseph Vella and Larenza Mamo. Repose of the soul of Gudy Lim



FIRST READING

Exodus 17:8-13

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 120. R. v.2

**(R.) Our help is from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.**

I lift up my eyes to the mountains:
from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth. **(R.)**

May he never allow you to stumble!
Let him sleep not, your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard. **(R.)**

The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands.
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night. **(R.)**

The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.
The Lord will guard your going and coming
both now and for ever. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:2

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 18:1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."'

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14



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

