

Parish Bulletin

St Carthage's Cathedral Parish, Lismore



SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

- St Carthage's Cathedral, Lismore
Tues-Thurs 8am, 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

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

youtube.com/c/LismoreDioceseAU

Or use this QR CODE



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Bishop of Lismore

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Deacon



3 October 2021, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Note: Masses are currently being held in St Mary's Chapel as works continue in the Cathedral.

St Mary's Chapel has a capacity of 75 parishioners and masks must be worn. No singing is allowed.

Please ring the office from Monday on 66260200 to book in for next weekend 9/10 October



The 'Playground' of Life.

Watching children in a playground, I am in awe at how inhibited they are with one another. Though they may be total strangers, children seem to have no problem fumbling and tumbling around, chatting to one another and even making friends under the watchful eye of their parents.

Once playtime is over, the new-found friends say goodbye whilst the adults simply smile and quietly go their separate ways. It is clear children believe the playground is loads of fun, not just because of the swings and slides, but because other kids are present. When other children are not around the playground is quieter, not as much fun.

It can be compared to people coming together to pray as a faith community. Total strangers we may be, but it's still a much richer and fulfilling experience when we pray as one, whether it be at Mass, bible study or a prayer service.

At that time of common prayer, like children in a playground, it's much easier to leave all judgement, prejudices and hang-ups behind and be more at ease with one another. And all this speaks of God who is God of, and, for relationships. The bible shows us how much God wants to be in relationship with humanity: The lengths and breaths that God will go to foster that relationship and the invitation for humanity to constantly enter into that relationship with God and, importantly, with one another.

It seems rather strange that what comes so naturally to children becomes increasingly difficult as we grow older. We become more inhibited, more weary, more conscious of ourselves and of our behaviour. We also are more aware of how others behave. And perhaps this makes having new relationships with people around us more challenging.

But we are created, born and brought up through and by relationships with one another. to be able to come together and support one another as we fumble and tumble through life. To see and appreciate that life is so much richer and wonderful because there are others around who are living life together with us.

We are all invited by God to be in the playground of life, to enter into it with others, to be like children; welcoming, accepting without inhibitions and judgments and relating to one another as brothers and sisters. Life perhaps is meant to be like a playground, without walls, barriers and borders. Life should be an open space in our hearts where people and God can enter and bring life to us and for us to share that life with others.

THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The month of October is especially dedicated to the Holy Rosary. To honour Our Blessed Mother, you are invited to pray one decade of the Rosary every day at 10am.

If we can all make this one small gesture of faith in Our Lady's powerful prayer, we are not only demonstrating our love and devotion to her, but are asking her to help us all in fighting the forces of evil that are rampant in our world.



ROSARY IN THE PARK

The Annual Fatima Rosary in the Park will be held on Saturday 16th October at 2.15pm. It will be held in the usual place at the corner of Brewster and Uralba Street under the trees.

Please bring a chair, hat, water bottle and rosary beads. You are all most welcome to attend.

MISSION SUNDAY

Bishop Greg has kindly given his support to hold the Mission Sunday Appeal for the entire month of October. Envelopes are available at the entrance to the Church. More information www.catholicmission.org.au/thailand

For We **CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING** about what we have **SEEN & HEARD** ACTS 4:20

In three weeks, Catholic Mission will share the essential mission work of Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, as they reach out to vulnerable mothers and their babies during their time of need.

You will have the opportunity to respond to this great work and help Sister Chalaad reach out to more mothers and their babies.

Please come with an open and generous heart.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/thailand



Free Virtual Catholic Women's Summit - October 8-9

The Genius Project Catholic Women's Ministry is holding a free virtual summit on October 8-9. Hundreds of Catholic women from around the world have already registered to encounter incredible speakers and workshops.

Watch the video and find out more at <https://bit.ly/catholic2021>



LITURGICAL CALENDAR

- 4 October - St Francis of Assisi
- 7 October - Our Lady of the Rosary
- 15 October - St Therese of Avila
- 18 October - St Luke
- 24 October - Mission Sunday
- 28 October - Sts. Simon and Jude



Please remember in your prayers;

THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED: June Martin, Judie Hoolihan, Valerie Stockdale, Anthony Nutt, Santino Pirlo, Fe Delmindo, Umberto Viero, David Callachor, Mary Keogh, Ursula Bilski, Lorenzo Bravin, Patricia Redman, Susan Craig, Susan Mallum.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Ian Higgins, Frank Scarrabelotti, Loy Callaghan, Mary Moss, Juanchito Almonte, Jerome Almonte, Kerrie Divette, Glenda Ryan, Shannal Ratnayake, Ann Pierce, Mark and Gillian Lobegeier.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME: Adrian and Mary Todd, Vergenia and Malou Castillo, Exequil and Marivic Labial, Archie Balaba, Margaret Ranasinghe, Bridget Silva, Nancy and Frank Tarlinton, William Tooley, Rosario Almonte, Pilalel Benitez, Carmelita Benitez, Isabella and Gabriella Benitez, Francis Villahermosa, Howard Whitney, George Nestor, Robert Nowland.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Edel and Cynthia Valero (60th Wedding Anniversary), Venusta and Umberto Fabiani, Anna Fabiani.



St Carthage's Community Care Workers Wanted



St Carthage's Community Care is looking for Community Care workers (Aged Care & Disability) to join our team.

As a Community Care Worker, your primary responsibility will be to offer specialised support to people in aged care or disability services, including providing clients with flexible opportunities to enhance their independence and facilitating community participation. Apply today by sending your resume to hr@stcarthages.org.au.

<https://jobsearch.gov.au/job/view/details/2296144828?context=f4794634-ae70-4504-8502-b4ba0c1e811d>



Dare to be different!

Vocation Discernment Retreat for men ages 18 - 35 years old

November 5 - 7, 2021
Invercauld House
#163 Invercauld Road, Goonellabah
For more information, contact:
(02) 6626 0200
#0421 863 756



Please register before October 25

KEEPING EVERYONE COVID SAFE



FACE MASKS:

**As per NSW Health regulations
all parishioners must wear a
mask until further notice.**

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

St Mary's Chapel

ON ARRIVAL: All Parishioners must sanitise hands on entry, register using QR Code, 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: There is a limit of 48 parishioners in the main Chapel, 7 in the loft and 20 in the Darcy Room. Remember to observe social distancing of 1.5 metres from other family groups when sitting.

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

SINGING: There is to be no singing until further notice.



Please wear your mask correctly.



BAPTISM



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

Adrian Cameron

COLLECTION TOTALS - Weekend 26 September 2021

First collection - \$ 848.35

Second collection - \$ 1004.50

Loose - \$ 133.20

Direct Deposit: First \$ 395.70

Second \$ 183.00



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 2/3 October - 27th Sunday in Ordinary time

| | SATURDAY 5.30pm | SUNDAY 9.00am | SUNDAY 11.00am |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Reader 1 | Cathy Donnelly | Pauline Geitz | Nestor Basio |
| Reader 2 | Margaret Condon | Alison Cleaver | Paul Collits |
| Servers: | | Michael, Bryan | |
| Acolyte: | Julian Hill | | |

LITURGY ROSTER 9/10 October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary time

| | SATURDAY 5.30pm | SUNDAY 9.00am | SUNDAY 11.00am |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Reader 1 | Fiona Fennamore | Cecilia McKendry | Barbara Walsh |
| Reader 2 | Maria Whitney | Elizabeth McKendry | May Hall |
| Servers: | | Michael, Bryan | |
| Acolyte: | | | |

FIRST READING

Genesis 2:18-24

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones,
and flesh from my flesh!

This is to be called woman,
for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*(R.) May the Lord bless us
all the days of our lives.*

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!

By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **(R.)**

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. **(R.)**

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life!

May you see your children's children.

On Israel, peace! **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 2:9-11

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who

sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

If we love one another,
God will live in us in perfect love.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Wisdom 7:7-11

Hebrews 4:12-13

Mark 10:17-30

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

