

Parish Bulletin

St Carthage's Cathedral Parish, Lismore



6 September 2020, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

• St Carthage's Cathedral, Lismore
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
8.00am and Friday 12noon
Sat Vigil 5:30pm, Sun 9am & 11am

• Carmelite Monastery Chapel,
Goonellabah
Mon - Fri 7am, Sat 8am

• St Dymphna's Church, Dunoon
No Mass at the present time

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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYxOjNyku4JCI08vfeTq-fQ)

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Correct with Care

As his ship sailed through the heavy fog, the captain remained on the bridge and put his crew on high alert. Soon, one of the lookouts reported a light to starboard and the light remained steady. Another ship was coming toward them and on a dangerous course that would result in a collision. The captain radioed the other ship to change course.

Back came the terse answer, "Advise that you change course. This is a lighthouse!" The captain changed course.

Today's gospel reading addresses the issue of what to do about a member of the Christian community who has sinned seriously but refuses to amend his or her ways and remains recalcitrant. It tells us to be like the lighthouse keeper and advise a change of course to avoid going aground on the rocks of error.

The gospel further advises that we need to exercise this responsibility with sensitivity. Don't blaze away with both barrels of reproof. Don't pass the buck. Instead, take courage, speak personally, one-to-one with the offending member and help him or her to see the error of their ways. Be ready to exercise liberal forgiveness. If this fails, go with two or three reliable and mature Christians who may persuade a change of heart. If this second attempt is unsuccessful, that person is to be excluded from the Christian community i.e. excommunicated.

Communion in faith and morals is the deepest vocation of God's people – the Church. We are one family under God and those bonds of communion are not to be compromised or diluted. Excommunication from this community is a drastic step and not to be undertaken lightly. Perhaps, in the past, we have been too eager to excommunicate people. Over time the people of God have learned to be more open, tolerant and forgiving. These are welcome developments. However, it is also true that, as Church, we have lost some of the appetite to confront our wayward and obstinate members. Perhaps we have overvalued individuality and neglected to properly appreciate the vital role community occupies in Christ's vision for his Church.

We must, of course, continue to value the individual person and respect that person's rights and choices. But it is plainly wrong to condone and accept opinions and life choices that contradict Jesus's teachings and bring disrespect and harm to the unity and peace of God's people.

The gospel advises us to take courage and to confront and challenge the intransigent members of our Christian community. It insists that we confront them but in a sensitive manner that demonstrates both our love and care for the offending person and our love and care for the Christian community. We must not resile from our Christian duty to be a 'lighthouse' to steer our misguided Christian brothers and sisters from the rocks of error.

Michael Gilbert CSsR
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PROTOCOLS FOR MASS ATTENDANCE

Masks: The Premier of NSW has recommended that masks be worn at places of worship.

We encourage all parishioners to wear masks.

On Arrival: Please wait to be checked in, sanitise your hands and observe social distancing.

Singing: To avoid any viral transmission through voice projection, there will be no congregational singing.

Holy Communion: Please observe social distancing when coming forward. Holy Communion will only be given in the hand.

A Father's Day Prayer

We ask your blessing on all those of whom you have entrusted fatherhood. May your Holy Spirit constantly inspire them with justice and mercy, wisdom and strength, fidelity and self-giving love. May they receive your Grace abundantly in this earthly life, and may they look forward to eternal joy in your presence in the life to come.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord. Amen.



FATHERS DAY COLLECTION

This weekend is the Diocesan collection for the sick and retired clergy in the Diocese. Envelopes are available at the back of the Cathedral for you to use. Please place them in the special box provided.

COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

Due to Covid restrictions imposed over Easter, the Collection for the Holy Land (Good Friday Collection) will now be held next weekend, 13th September. There will be envelopes available next week at the back of the Cathedral.

MARRIAGE WEEK—13-19 SEPTEMBER

Coinciding with Marriage Week 2020, Focus on the Family Australia is hosting an online Virtual Date night on September 19th.

To register, go to the link below. Once you register you will be emailed a pre-date pack with ideas, recipes and templates for the night, marriage meditation devotions and extra marriage material.

There will be access to a Zoom broadcast on the night 8-9pm, with live entertainment by Christian comedian, Ben Price.

<https://www.marriageweek.org.au/mailw/campaigns/qm9800gh16666/track-url/ho494wzrc3c80/flc964bfl18dac4dddbbb33517a3d23ba6967eaa>



SPIRITUAL FORMATION

"Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." (Matthew 4:4)

We all need spiritual nourishment in our life in order to survive.

For this, we are inviting our young people ages 16 - 40 years old to join the **"ASPIRE formation with Bishop Greg"** via Zoom on September 22 from 5 PM to 7 PM at Doyle House.

For those who are interested, please write down your name at the back of the Cathedral for reservations.

Please remember in your prayers;

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Val Magurran, Frank Scarrabelotti, Bernie Mackney, Louise King, Lorraine Dunn, Jenny Dodds, Judith Lehmann, Gerry Ebbelaar, Diane Hughes, Mary Herne, Veronica Geitz, Carmel Windred.

THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED: Ellen Lovell, Shirley Wheatley, Maureen Brophy (Martin), Norlyn Gabriel, William Allen, Assunta Aurelio Conti, Cheryl Jux, Brian Hayes, Rev Aunty Dorothy Gordon, Robert Bain, Charlie Cox, Nerina Sommavilla-De Pra, Allan Duroux.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME: Fr Jim Reilly, Laurence Todd, William Tooley, Giuseppe Bazzo, Margaret Thompson, Betty Byrne.

OTHER SPECIAL INTENTIONS: All Holy Souls.



BAPTISM



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

Johan Jisvin

In the Parish.

Bible Studies will commence this Wednesday, 9 September, 6pm-7:30pm in St Mary's Chapel.

The Rosary will be held at 5pm Saturday and 8:30am and 10:30am each Sunday in the Cathedral.



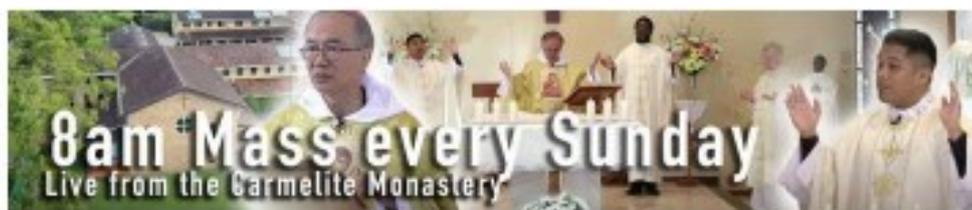
COLLECTION TOTALS - Weekend 30 August

First collection - \$ 367.65
Second collection - \$ 683.00
Loose - \$ 29.95



SUPPORTING OUR SPIRITUAL AND PRAYER LIVES

SUNDAY MASS WITH BISHOP GREG HOMEING 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.

Cathedral Mass Times

- Tuesday 8am
- Wednesday 8am
- Thursday 8am
- Friday 12 Noon
- Saturday 5:30pm**
- Sunday 9am**
- Sunday 11am**

There will be no Sunday evening Mass.

Confession times:

- Saturday 4:45 - 5:15pm
- Sunday 10:15 - 10:45am

** If you would like to attend one of the weekend Masses at the Cathedral you must ring the Parish office **EACH WEEK** on 6626 0200 during office hours, Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:00pm.

Carmelite Monastery Mass Times

- Monday to Friday 7am
- Saturday 8am

As the Monastery can only have 20 parishioners due to it's floor space you must book in for **ALL** Carmelite Masses by calling their office on **6624 1240**.

You can leave a message if they do not answer.

There will be no Sunday Mass at the Monastery, live streaming will continue.

The Bishop, realising that not all parishioners can be accommodated has continued the dispensation from the Sunday obligation.



The Catholic Weekly is once again available for \$2 at the back of the Cathedral every weekend.



LITURGY ROSTER – THIS WEEKEND 6th September - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary time Year A

	SATURDAY 5.30pm	SUNDAY 9.00am	SUNDAY 11.00am
Reader 1	Sylvia Harris	Lisa Pirlo	Please let the Sisters know know if you are available to read.
Reader 2	Fiona Fennamore	Lorraine Reading	
Servers:	Annabel, Chloe, Josie-Ana	Michael M, Bryan	
Acolyte:	Julian hill		

LITURGY ROSTER – for 13th September - 2 Sunday in Ordinary time Year A

	SATURDAY 5.30pm	SUNDAY 9.00am	SUNDAY 11.00am
Reader 1	Cathy Donnelly	Remi Andrews	Please let the Sisters know know if you are available to read.
Reader 2	Kelli-Ann Bugden	Alison Cleaver	
Servers:	Annabel, Alanna, Matthew	Michael M, Bryan	
Acolyte:	Julian Hill		

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 33:7-9

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, ‘Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.’

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 94:1-2.6-9. R. v.8

**(R.) O that today you would listen to 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 bow 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

Romans 13:8-10

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

‘I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

‘I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Sirach 27:30-28:7

Romans 14:7-9

Matthew 18:21-35



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