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 Dympna's Church, Dunoon **Sunday - 8.30am**
- St Vincent's Hospital Chapel Wednesday - 12 noon

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PARISH CLERGY

Bishop Gregory Homeming OCD

Bishop of Lismore

Fr Bing Monteagudo

Administrator

Fr Alexander Munyao

Assistant Priest

Revd Graeme Davis

Deacon



PAYS 4.15% INVEST WITH PEACE OF MIND!

Head office: 10 Orion St, Lismore, 1800 802 516.

16 June 2024, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

RESPECT AND DIGNITY

We ask all to show respect and dignity to every individual in our parish community and especially our volunteers who are tirelessly giving up their time for our parish.

Fr Bing's 10th Priestly Anniversary Celebration

With grace and blessings I will be celebrating my 10th year Anniversary to the Priesthood.

My family and I would like to invite you all to join me in giving thanks to God for the gift of ministerial priesthood that he has given me.

Join me in offering the Eucharistic Sacrifice of the Mass on Sunday 7th July, 1.30pm at St Carthage's Cathedral.

Following the Mass you are all invited to a light supper at the Cathedral premises at the back of Doyle House.

For catering purposes, please call the Parish office on 6626 0200 by the 28th June if you are attending the supper. Fr Bing Monteagudo

Peter's Pence 2024 - Sunday June 29

How you can help: Pray for the Holy Father, for those he reaches out to serve in compassion, and for the ongoing activities of the Holy See, all of which will benefit from the Peter's Pence Collection.

Give generously to this collection as a sign of mercy to those who suffer around the globe and in support of the ongoing work of the Holy See. By doing so, you help to build up the Church so that it can continue to minister to all for generations to come.

There will be envelopes available at the entrance to the Church for your donations and these can be placed on the collection plate.

THE WINSOME AND LISMORE SOUP KITCHEN

Winter is now upon us, and every day we're asked for help, and our stocks are running low. The main needs are...

- Blankets
- Sleeping Bags
- Warm Clothes

Please leave your donations at the Parish Office and we will arrange the transfer of stock to the Winsome.

Thank you, Deacon Graeme and Rosemary Davis

"Never see a need...without doing something about it" -Sr Mary of the Cross Mackillop.



BAPTISMS

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

Harrison Flynn Behan Gemma Lily Johnston Kaleb Joseph Johnston Ethan George Johnston



LITURGY ROSTER

June 15/16 - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Alison Unwin Grossfeldt

Reader 2 Ella Grossfeldt

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Maria Whitney
Reader 2 Russell Shearman

Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 May Hall Reader 2 Stephen Moran

June 22/23 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5.30pm

Reader 1 Cathy Donnelly
Reader 2 Janelle Heffernan

Sunday 9.00am

Reader 1 Pauline Geitz
Reader 2 Robert Ireland

Sunday 11.00am

Reader 1 Oliver Rixon
Reader 2 Ging-ging Basio

The Catholic Weekly

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

This week's articles include:

- Watch and Pray! Two new perpetual adoration chapels for Sydney
- Dorin among King's Birthday honourees
- 7-Eleven boss James W Keyes on Catholic leadership
- ACT introduces nation's most extreme euthanasia laws
- Mother Hilda Scott OSB: protect your interior

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

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

New Planned Giving Envelopes

Envelopes for the next financial year are available for collection at the back of the Cathedral.



Catholic Weekly

If you are not already on our planned giving program and would like to give regular contributions to assist with the cost of running the parish and to support the clergy, please contact the Parish Office on 66260200, Mon - Fri 8:30am - 4:00pm.

You can also pick up a Planned Giving Form to complete and place on the collection plate and envelopes will then be allocated and ready for collection the following week.

Rosary Fellowship

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

Holy Rosary - New Time and Day

St Carthage's Cathedral Sunday 10.15am.

Everyone most welcome.

Gospel Sharing

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.







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We support older people, people with cognitive change, people with disabilities, children with disabilities, and care

Services For older People

Aged Care Services - Did you know that we provide care for you in your own home and in your community. Our people is what makes St Carthage's unique. Our actions reflect our values. We share compassion, understanding and celebrate everyone's differences. We support you to be connected your way and create a path to a life worth living

Home Care Packages - The program supports older people with complex care needs to live independently in their own homes. Depending on the level of Home Care Package you receive, you can get assistance with a range of different services. Eligibility for this program is based on your support needs and age.

Commonwealth Home Support - If you're having trouble with everyday tasks and feel that a little support could improve your health and wellbeing, CHSP could be right for you. Eligibility criteria apply.

Social Support and Centre Based Respite -

Our Seniors Day clubs have been operating for over 30 years providing variety, stimulation, music, laughter and best of all friendships to older people living in the Lismore area. There is also a men's bus group that runs once a week. We also have a wonderful team of staff and volunteers who provide morning tea and a hearty home cooked lunch.

If you or someone you know would like to find out more, go to https://www.myagedcare.gov.au/ or call 6620 0000.

PARISH MORNING TEA

The next Morning Tea hosted by the Pastoral Council will be held Sunday, 7 July after the 9.00am Mass.



Please bring a plate to share.

Reading Reflection

Planting the seeds of love

Most things start small. Someone asks you to be part of a group and a few years later, on reflection, it turns out to have played a significant part in your life. You just kept turning up and something grew there almost unawares. Then, at a particular point, you may have come to understand God was present there and had been all along.

This is how parables work in today's gospel. They begin where we are, with the familiar, as Jesus speaks to the crowd about God's kingdom. In the first parable, seed is planted which sprouts of its own accord and grows steadily until the time to harvest comes. We're involved in the planting and the harvesting, and may help to facilitate its growth, but ours is not the key role. This is a time of waiting – we wait upon God and God waits with us, and as we do we may recognise God is already present in our lives and the lives of others.

In the second parable Jesus could have mentioned a mighty cedar to suggest what the kingdom of God is like, instead he speaks of the nondescript mustard seed and the bush that emerges from it, 'the biggest shrub of all', where all nations and strangers may find shelter. From what seems insignificant to begin with, like turning up for the first time, there emerges what we could hardly have foreseen, in God's time.

Don't be concerned about the lack of dramatic signs in this time of waiting. It's not our job to make something happen, because it is growing, and it will flourish. So, be patient as Jesus is patient, not waiting passively by, but alive to the presence of God and each another.

In the first reading from the prophet Ezekiel the Lord's power is revealed when he speaks of a 'noble cedar', an image of his kingdom, which he'll plant on the mountain of Israel. It will provide shelter for every kind of bird, like the mustard bush. The growth of the cedar and other trees won't depend on us, but on the power of the Lord and 'he will do it.' This promise is a sign of hope to his people, after their conquest and exile.

In the second reading Paul speaks of the tension between wanting to be with the Lord forever and his calling to live the good news of Jesus Christ. He recognises one depends upon the other. What we do in this life will be the response we make to Jesus in the life to come. So, we're called to live with confidence, walking by faith, doing what pleases him, until, in his presence, our lives will speak for us.

Keep turning up then, remain faithfully present to one another, and allow the seed that has been planted to come to fulfillment as God has promised. This is what the kingdom is like, and we are to be its agents: it's the mission entrusted to us.

Damian Coleridge

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The Catholic Book and Gift Shop

Confirmation is getting closer and closer. Have you purchased that special memento of a very special occasion. Come to the Gift Shop at St Vincent's Hospital and view a beautiful selection of gifts. Dalley Street Entrance by lift to Level 2 or into the Friends Coffee Lounge and up the stairs. Open Weekdays 9am to 3pm. Cash or Card Phone: 66279229/0438230638

Please remember in your prayers;

THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED: Belinda Devine, Frank Pirlo, Marie Gannon, Lois Lisetto, Deen Mohammed, Christine Battese, Matthew Gordon, Manuel Abella, Bill McDermott, Reginald Dunne, Brenda Aitchison, Rosmito Tandayu, Rosemary MacPherson, Jurlets Pepito.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Teresa Almanza, Letecia Moralde (Sr Di's Mother), Les Clifford, John Rynne, Eddie Burns, Esther Todd, Betty McKee, Ian Goldspring, Michael Martin.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME: Bishop Jeremiah Doyle, Bishop Patrick Farrelly, Bishop John Carroll, Paul Todd, Shane Coffey, Fernando and Malou Castillo, Evelyn Marquez and Marcelina Manalo, Florencia Landayan, Bessie Higgins, Emilio Moralde, Fran Griffin, Innocente Moras.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Chaiel Balcombe, Jaime Marquez, Charlie Crosswell

COLLECTION TOTALS - June 8/9, 2024

First Collection - \$ 1135.40 Second Collection - \$ 1101.10

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



FIRST READING

Ezekiel 17:22-24

The Lord says this:

'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar.

Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.

And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green.

I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

The Word of the Lord. Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. see v.2

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. (R.)

The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R.)

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R.)

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

The Word of the Lord. Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

The Gospel of the Lord. Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK

Job 38:1. 8-11 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Mark 4:35-41

St Carthage's Conference of St Vincent de Paul

Volunteers Needed

Contact President Cathy Bell on 66215835 or

email: catherine.bell@vinnies.org.au or phone Rosie Leo: 0490258139



SAFEGUARDING IN OUR PARISH

Safeguarding in our parish is a community responsibility. If you believe someone is being harmed please speak to your priest or the Safeguarding Office (02) 6621 9444.



There are procedures in place to guide how best to help victims - whether children or adults at risk.

