Parish Invocation: Father I love you, Jesus I thank you, Holy Spirit help us

St John's Catholic Parish

"I am here among you as one who serves." Luke 22:2

Mullumbimby

Serving the Catholic Community in the Brunswick Valley

Sunday 17th Nov 2019, Year C
33rd Sunday in Ord Time

Liturgy this Week

Mass Readings

Mal 3:19-20; 2 Thess 3:7-12;
Lk 21:5-19.

Psalm Response

The Lord comes to rule
the earth with justice.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia.

Next Week's Readings

2 Sam 5: 1-3;
Col 1: 12-20;
Lk 23: 35-43.

November
Month of Holy Souls

God present to all believers

IN the context of Luke, today's Gospel appears near the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. His warnings and predictions are ominous but can be read in many ways.

To those who first heard Luke's Gospel, those may have been words of encouragement. The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Romans was history (70 A.D.); Luke's Gospel, Catholic scholars propose, was written between 80 and 90 A.D. His audience was probably Gentile Christians.

Luke here tries to interpret the fall of Jerusalem for them and to locate it in God's plans for humankind (salvation history).

At the same time, Luke is suggesting to his audience that there will be a considerable elapse of time before Jesus' final coming. Luke's listeners have likely seen much upheaval and are anxious to know if these are the signs of Jesus' coming. Luke is urging greater patience.

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for "It will lead to your giving testimony" (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation.

Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties.

- Loyola Press

Mass/Service Times:

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Coolamon Villa
Mass Tuesday 10am

Brunswick Heads
Tuesday 5.30pm
Readings, Vespers and Eucharist

Thursday
Adoration and Rosary **5pm**
Readings, Vespers and Eucharist **5.30pm**

WEEKEND MASSES

Brunswick Heads
Saturday Vigil 5pm

Mullumbimby
Sunday 8am

To include information in the newsletter, please email the office by **Tuesday** evening - **mullumbimby@lismore.catholic.org.au**

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Brunswick Heads

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St John's Primary

Principal: Renay Condon
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Rosters: 23/24 November, Our Lord, The King of the Universe

	BRUNSWICK	MULLUMBIMBY
Welcomer	Frances Godbee	Liturgy Group
Readers	Carolyn Storey Kay Holmes	Marie Wedd Marija Beaton
Offertory Procession	Mary Ashton Kay Holmes	Kathryn Cornale Janene Browning
Ministers of Communion	Carolyn Storey Frances Godbee Jan Mangleson	Pam Lang Volunteer Peter Kiernan

Collection Counters - Wednesday 20th Nov: David Condon

SAINTS AND FEASTS

18.11 Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles - This feast combines the standard celebration of the dedication of a church for St Peter's Basilica and the Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls, both built by the Emperor Constantine the Great during the 4th century. These sites had already been visited by pilgrims for over a century when the basilicas were built to honor the apostles believed to have been buried there.

21.11 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

22.11 St Cecilia - The patroness of musicians. It is written that as the musicians played at her wedding she "sang in her heart to the Lord". While the details of her story are fictional, her existence and martyrdom are considered a historical fact. She is said to have been beheaded with a sword. An early church, Santa Cecilia, was founded in the 3rd century by Pope Urban I in the Trastevere section of Rome, reputedly on the site of the house in which she lived. Her feast day has become the occasion for concerts and musical festivals.

23.11 St Columban, and St Clement I

- wikipedia

Hospital Visits, Anointings, Reconciliation

VISITS: Under Privacy Laws, clergy are not permitted to visit hospital patients unless a visit has been requested. For visits to Byron Hospital, please contact Fr David Gilbey. For all other hospital visits contact Fr Michael Nugent.
ANOINTINGS: We have Anointing Masses twice a term, one in each church. Check Save the Date.
Fr Michael is also available for home anointings.
RECONCILIATION: Available before or after Mass. Please see Fr Michael to organise.

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.

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Thank you for prayers

The parents, staff and Year 12 students of Mt St Patrick College thank you for your generosity in being a Prayer Sponsor for our HSC students. We are very appreciative of your care and concern for them at this sometimes difficult and stressful time. - Michael O'Donohue, (Leader of Evangelisation).

Fire Appeal

Thank you to all who have contributed to this appeal to support those who have suffered severe losses in our diocese. Envelopes are on the back table of the churches for any further contributions. Deposits can also be made into the following account: **BSB:** 062565, **Acc No:** 10854726, **Acc Name:** Diocesan Investment Fund. **Ref:** Fire Appeal.

Pilgrimage

Fr Michael Brady, Parish Priest at Tweed Heads, will be your Spiritual Chaplain. Departing August 14th, 2020 for 10 nights/13 days, your pilgrimage begins in Amman, then travel by road to Mt Nebo and on to the Dead Sea. The pilgrimage travels the lands once walked by Jesus. Your journey concludes with a special dinner with spectacular views over Jerusalem. Mass will be celebrated each day in a special place you will remember forever. For more information, contact Harvest Journeys on Ph: 1800 819 156 or at: ***www.harvestjourneys.com/PV5420*** Brochures at the back of the church.

Reflection day for Women

Preparing our Hearts for Advent, **November 23**, at Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, Mulgoa. Cost $25 includes morning and afternoon tea - BYO lunch. RSVP by 20th Nov to: *info@schoenstatt.org.au*

Christmas Stamps

Stamps are still being sent to the Josephites in Sydney. With Christmas nearly upon us, please keep all the stamps you receive. Put used stamps in an envelope and place on the plate, or in the box at the back of St John's. Stamps are auctioned off to raise money for good causes.

Month of Holy Souls

November is a special time for praying for the dead. During this month people traditionally request "November Masses" for deceased relatives. Envelopes for these Masses are at the back of the church. Please print names clearly so we have the correct spelling of names to publish in the bulletin. The Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference has advised the average offering for a November Mass Stipend is currently $20 in Australia. The normal Mass Offering Stipend is $10.

November Masses

Michael Klose; Terry Godbee, Mary and Frank Walker; Pietro Dichiera, Luciano Misuraca; Grace, Martin, Molly, Moira and Paddy Fitzhenry, Roy Frater, Lorna, Jack, and John Reynolds, Tod Sloane, Joan and Charles Richardson; Forgotten Souls, James Philip Brown; Jo and Vi Walker, Nick and Connie Alidenes, Afroditi Karavia; Joseph, Annie, Concetta, Anthony, Emanuel, Stella, Grace, Betty, Norma (Mary Polidano); Sylvia Condon, Jack Condon, Margory Kennedy, Bill Kennedy; Clancy Mangleson; Angela and Colin Ormesher.

And the deceased family members of: Murphy; Plater, Wiley, Coleman; McNaught, Walker, Casey, Sawtell, Larkin; Smith, Stone, Ricketts, Moroney, Gadowski, Giurietto, Marshal, Sticka, Payne, Hess, Bernardo, Bowles, Lockett, Nelson, Atherton, Karkkainen, Dyke, Nicholls; Browning, Walker, Jenkins; Robert and Kathryn Cornale, Barnes, Jeffery, Frank and Lorraine Cornale.

Let Us Pray

FOR THOSE:

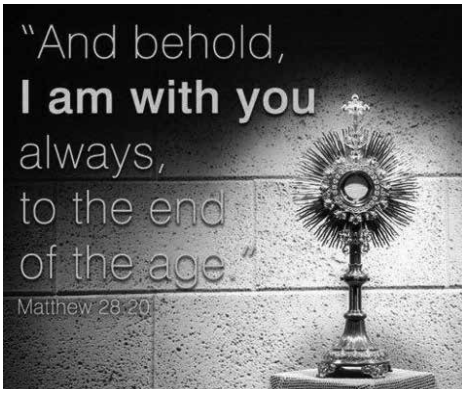
Recently deceased:
Mary Donnelly.

Anniversaries:
Joseph Merlot, James Philip Brown, Michael Klose, Angela and Colin Ormesher, Patrick Creagan, Searl Browning, Keith Walker.

Time of need:
Margaret Taylor, Tony Pinna, Greg and Renay Condon, Maryann Paterson, Sr Margaret Keane, Shelly and Joseph Singh, Peter Murphy, Rev Chris Wallace, Joyce Lake, Brian Burns, Helen DeCosta, Bernadette McCabe, Kevin Donaghy, Claire Melene, Jim Donnelly, Trisha Lloyd, Pat Dailhou, Camilla Reynolds, Peter Colville, Fr Andrew Benton, Samantha & Kate Holley, Stephen Buckley, and Betina Abbott.

Please let us know if names should be removed from list.

Seminarians:
Those training for the Diocese: Prodencio Bognay and Anthony Gawlu, and those entering seminaries.



National Drought Prayer Campaign

The Church in Australia is dedicating the month of November as a time to pray for those affected by crippling drought conditions and to pray for the gift of rain. As part of the National Prayer Campaign for Drought, we have printed off prayer bookmarks to help parishioners join the campaign. They are available at each of the churches. Please support this very important campaign.

SAVE THE DATE

NOV 19: Coolamon Villa Mass 10am. All welcome.
22: Connection Day for Christian Meditation, 10.30am-12noon. SJC. Cup of tea after. All welcome.
DEC 1: Christmas by the Creek, from 11am. All Welcome.
24: Christmas Eve Mass. Carols 5pm, Mass 5.30pm. OLOL
25: Christmas Day Mass, 8am St John's Church.

Christian Meditation

Parish Resource Room, **Weds at 3.30pm**. Phone Judy 0401629748.

Prayer Group

Mary of the Angelus Intercessory Prayer Group, **10.30am,** Parish Resource Room, **2nd and 4th Friday** of month. Call 0431 477445.

Spiritual Reading

There are many good books you can borrow from the Parish Library in **St John's Church**. Write your name and book's title in lender's book.

Follow the Parish on Facebook
Look up: ***John Parish Mullum***

BAPTISMS

This Sunday, at St John's Church, we are welcoming four children. Banjo and Harper, the children of Matthew and Ellie; Koah the son of Abel and Shari; and Tomas, the son of Matthew and Kannigar. We pray for all four children and their families:

Dear Father in Heaven,
Bless Banjo, Harper, Koah and Tomas, and bless this day of new beginnings.
Smile upon them and surround them Loving God, with the soft mantle of your love.
Teach them to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, and to live life in the ways of Love, faith, hope and charity, Amen. *(Source unknown)*

✿ LET'S BE A WELCOMING COMMUNITY ✿

Christmas by the Creek

This annual parish picnic will be held on **Sunday 1st December** at the property of Mike and Judy Nicholls, 305 Main Arm Road, starting at 11am. All parishioners are invited to come along and enjoy a relaxing day under the shade of the trees by the creek. There will be a BBQ available so you can bring along your meat plus a salad or sweet to share, or just bring your own lunch. For further information please phone Judy on 6684 2225 or 0401 629 748.

Connection Day

A Connection Day for Christian Meditation groups from Kingscliff to Ballina is happening after Adoration on **Friday 22nd November** from **10.30am to 12 noon**, finishing with a cup of tea. All welcome. Phone Judy 0401629748 for more details.

Services

There will be a Mass at Coolamon Villa at **10am on Tuesday 19th Nov**. There will be no midweek service at St John's this week.

Display screen at OLOL

Parishioners are being asked to donate towards a fundraiser for a LED display screen at Our Lady of Lourdes Church so that the Mass can be followed by parishioners. Quotes have been done for a single 65" screen, as a projector was not viable in the church. This project has been on the parish wishlist for many years. The costing has come in at $4,000 (GST excluded) for the screen, mounting and installation. More information will be provided at the end of Mass.

Christmas Mass Times

The Christmas Eve Vigil will be held indoors at OLOL, Brunswick Heads, with Carols at 5pm and Mass starting at 5.30pm.
Christmas Morning Mass will be at St John's Church, Mullumbimby, at 8am.
Rosters are at the back of each church if you would like to volunteer to help during one of these Masses.

ST JOHN'S SCHOOL NEWS

This week our school community came together on Remembrance Day to pay our respects to all the men, women and children who have lost their lives in war and armed conflicts. Students read prayers and poetry to pay our respects and we also participated in a 1 minute silence. Students also made their own poppies and wrote prayers for peace on the back.

Students have also been participating in Remembrance Day Art and Literacy activities to learn about why the day is significant.