



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

# St John's Catholic Parish

Brunswick Valley

*"I am here among you as one who serves." Luke 22:27*

## Today's Gospel: Mark:10:17-27.

*"Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me."*

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

### Gospel Reflection:

Today we continue reading the Gospel of Mark from where we left off last Sunday. Last Sunday our Gospel told how Jesus was tested by the Pharisees about the requirements for divorce. Recall that these chapters come from the second part of Mark's Gospel, which chronicles the beginning of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem.

In today's Gospel, an unnamed man approaches Jesus and inquires about what he must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus replies that one must follow the commandments of the Law of Moses. The man acknowledges that he has observed all of these since his childhood. Jesus then says that only one thing is lacking: he must give his possessions to the poor and follow Jesus. The man leaves in sadness, and Mark tells us that this is because he had many possessions.

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**Sunday 13th October 2024**  
**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### Liturgy this week

Wis 7:7-11

Ps 89:12-17

Heb 4:12-13

### Psalm Response

*Fill us with your love, O Lord  
and we sing for joy!*

### Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
Happy the poor in spirit; the  
kingdom of heaven is theirs!  
Alleluia!*

### Next week's readings:

Is 53:10-11,

Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22: R,

Heb 4:14-16,

Mk 10:35-45.

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**WEEKEND MASSES**  
**O.L.O.L. Brunswick Heads**  
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm  
**St. John's Mullumbimby**  
Sunday 8:00am

**WEEKDAY LITURGY**  
**Brunswick Heads**  
Wednesday Adoration  
6:00pm-7:00pm  
Thursday (except the 3rd Thursday  
each month)  
Adoration and Rosary 3.30pm  
Communion Service 4:00pm  
**Mullumbimby**  
Friday Adoration  
8.30am-10:00am

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**Office Hours:**  
**Tues - Weds:** 9:30am-2:30pm  
**Thurs:** 9:30am - 1:30pm

**PARISH SCHOOL -**  
**St John's Primary School**  
**Principal:** Dave Bermingham  
Phone: (02) 6684 2386

**OUR CHURCHES:**  
\*St John's Church - Mullumbimby.  
\*Our Lady of Lourdes - Brunswick Heads.

**BULLETIN ARTICLE DEADLINE:**  
Please send in any information for the Bulletin by Wednesday 12pm  
[mullumbimby@lismore.catholic.org.au](mailto:mullumbimby@lismore.catholic.org.au)

**Next Anointing:** is at **St John's Church,** Mullumbimby  
**Thursday 17th October at 10.30am.**  
Coolamon Villa @ 2:00pm  
**(Residents Only)**

Morning Tea @ St John's Church Mullumbimby  
**1st Sunday of every month after Mass.**



**Church Rosters: 19/20 October 2024**

Church	Reader	Minister of Communion
OLOL	Frances G	Carolyn S
StJohn's	Marie W	Lisa De C

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The belief in resurrection and eternal life was a relatively recent development in Jewish thought at Jesus' time, and it wasn't shared by everyone. The Pharisees taught that there would be a resurrection from the dead; the Sadducees did not share this belief. Jesus taught that there would be a final judgment for everyone and eternal life (the Kingdom of God) for believers. Jesus makes two requirements of the wealthy man who approaches him.

First, he must give up his possessions. Throughout history, some Christians have taken this literally. Their example witnesses to us a radical commitment to the Gospel of Jesus. Some have read this as a particular requirement directed to this specific individual. Still others have sought to explain the meaning intended by the word *possessions* as those things that prevent one from following Jesus. Christians have generally understood that at the least, following Jesus requires that believers hold material possessions loosely and remain vigilant against seeking security in accumulating possessions.

The second requirement Jesus makes of this man is the invitation that Jesus extends to all would-be disciples: "follow me." Jesus very much wants this man to be his disciple. We believe that the Christian faith is one in which each believer is in a personal relationship with Jesus. Just as this Gospel tells us that Jesus loves the man and is sad when he departs, so too, Jesus loves us and is saddened when we are unable to follow him.

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We see in this Gospel reading another example of Mark's pattern, which shows Jesus offering further elaboration about his message and meaning to his disciples. To his disciples, Jesus laments the challenges faced by those who are rich in following him and entering the Kingdom of God. In reply to the disciples' astonishment at the strictness of the standard that Jesus speaks about today, Jesus reminds his disciples that nothing is impossible with God. Salvation is determined by our ability to rely completely upon God.

Peter replies to Jesus by boasting that the disciples have already given up everything. Jesus acknowledges that those who have given up everything for the sake of the Gospel will be rewarded. This reward begins now, in the new community that one will gain in this life, and will continue in the eternal age to come. Our personal relationship with Jesus is also an invitation to the community of faith, the Church.

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**The Rosary Team Monthly Prayer Meeting.**

This month's meeting will be held on:

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am**

at the home of Pam Lang;

325 Myocum Road, Myocum 2481.

All welcome.

**Mass in honour of St Teresa of Jesus (of Avila)**

will be offered at

**10:00am on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October,**

at the Carmelite Monastery, Goonellabah.

Please note that there will be no 7:00am Mass on that day.

All welcome.

**St Johns Family Group**

Weekend Away on the 18<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup> October.

This year we are venturing up to the Tablelands and have booked into **Tenterfield Lodge Caravan Park.**

If there is anyone who would like to join us, you are most welcome.

We hope to explore a little of the local area and generally relax with some great company.

**If you would like more info please contact Vivianne: 0457637726.**

**Announcement:**

**Fr David Gilbey is away from the 6<sup>th</sup>—20<sup>th</sup> of October.**

If you have any enquires or have an emergency that only one of our Priests can help,

Please contact:

Fr Michael Nugent for the next few weeks.

**Fr Michael Nugent phone #: 0411440652**

**Let Us Pray**



**Recently deceased:**

Fae Charlie, Clem Cawley, Frank Kelly, Wilhelmina Van Kerckh, Father John Kelly, Laurie Apps, Val Spears, Jeff Scott.

**Anniversaries:**

Joseph & Keith Walker, Searl Browning, Athol Sawtell, Antonio Pinna, Cora & Ned Cook, Anne Carolan, Sheila & Bruce Pentland, John Holmes, Kevin Leroy, Frank and Judy Mills, Eileen and Patrick Murphy.

**Time of need:**

Paul Murphy, Martin Taylor, Jan Mangleson, Anne Carolan, Lucy Went, Jeanne Sjoberg, Peter White, Shirley Cairns, Barry McGrath, Maryann Paterson, Martin Fitzhenry, Joy Kearney, Fr Anthony Lemon.

**Deceased priests of the Diocese October:**

Frs: John Henry Fitzpatrick, George C Barry, Synan McDonnell, Alexander Fillodeau.

**Saints and Feasts October:**

- 15:** St Teresa of Jesus.
- 16:** St Margaret Mary Alacoque & St Hedwig.
- 17:** St Ignatius of Antioch.
- 18:** St Luke, Evangelist.
- 19:** Sts John De Brebeuf & Issac Jogues & companions.
- St Paul of the Cross.



INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE  
**ERADICATION OF POVERTY**



## SAVE THE DATE

### **October:**

**10th:** World Mental Health Day.



**12th:** Rosary Team—  
Monthly Prayer Meeting:  
9:30am @ Pam Lang's Home.

**15th:** Mass in honour of  
St Teresa of Jesus (of Avila):  
10:00am @  
The Carmelite Monastery,  
Goonellabah.

**17th:** Anointing Masses—  
St John's Church 10.30am.  
Coolamon Villa 2:00pm  
**(Residents Only)**

**26th:** Wood/Freeman Wedding  
@ Our Lady of Lourdes.

### **WEEKLY:**

**Christian Meditation—**  
Tue 9.30am; Our Lady of Lourdes,  
Brunswick Heads.

### **MONTHLY:**

**Sunday Morning Tea:** 1st Sunday;  
St John's Church, after mass.

**Coffee Gathering:** 2nd Wednesday.

**Rosary Team Meeting:** 2nd Saturday.

**Confession:** 2nd Sunday;  
St John's Church Mullumbimby.

**Anointing Mass:** 3rd Thursday.

## ST JOHN'S SCHOOL



A little unknown fact about one of our students - the energetic, creative and sparkly little 7-year-old TeeTee, is that she was born with restricted airways.

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Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November will be  
the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. John's Church.

We will have a **special Mass at 8:00am** followed by a parish morning tea in the hall.

If any parishioners have any photos of events or ceremonies in the church for a display could you please hand them to Pam Lang or forward them to the parish office.

The parish has a photocopy of the Northern Star article dated Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 1974. It is very hard to read so if anyone has the original or a clear copy it would be much appreciated.



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**Children's Week**  
Friday 18 - Sunday 27 October  
**2024**

