

# St John's Catholic Parish

**Brunswick Valley** 

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



## 50th Anniversary of the Blessing and Opening of Saint John's Church, Mullumbimby.

Many may recall the 16th April 2019 fire that partially destroyed Notre-Dame Catholic Cathedral in Paris France.

Described as a 'national tragedy', it stirred the people of the world to rebuild this house of God, this focus of national pride and community life. (Due to reopen Dec. 2024).

With equally profound and urgent significance, when word was received that the original 'sandstone' St John's Catholic Church in Mullumbimby was to be demolished, similar grief, yet determination prevailed, as the local community rallied to re-site and rebuild their/our place of worship.

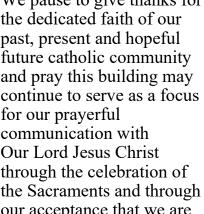
Inspired by the pioneering spirit of the district, and supported by Bishop John Satterthwaite, Pastor Emeritus Fr Tom O'Byrne and Parish Priest Fr John Roger, plans were drawn up and implemented with the resulting structure we enjoy this day.

We pause to give thanks for the dedicated faith of our past, present and hopeful future catholic community and pray this building may continue to serve as a focus for our prayerful communication with Our Lord Jesus Christ through the celebration of the Sacraments and through our acceptance that we are His Body of

Fr David Gilbey, Adm.

Christ in the

world.



### **Sunday 10th November 2024** 32nd Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

### Liturgy this week

1Kg 17:10-16, Ps 145:7-10, Heb 9:24-28,

### **Psalm Response**

Praise the Lord, my soul!.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

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

### Next week's readings:

<u>Dan</u> 12:1-3, Ps 15:5, 8-11, Heb 10:11-14, 18, Mk 13:24-32.



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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

### **SAVE THE DATE**

### **November:**

10th: St John's Church 50th Anniversary. - Special Mass,

along with Morning Tea

21st: Our Lady of Lourdes: Anointing Mass 5:30pm

### **December:**

13th: St John's Whole School End of Year Mass @ 9:30am St John's School Hall.

### 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.





## **'Church Worthy of Effort, Sign of Devotion, Faith'**Extract from "The Northern Star" 11 November 1974

A new Catholic Church at Mullumbimby has come into being as a sign of the devotion and faith of parishioners.

The Bishop of Lismore the Most Reverend Dr. Satterthwaite said this when he officially opened and blessed the church yesterday.

Dr. Satterthwaite said the church had for many centuries been a sign of faith and a temple of God where the people came to worship and to hear Christ's words. He said that for years in modern times the world had placed emphasis on helping one another through such organisations as Freedom from Hunger. But the first and most important duty was to worship and praise God. Only after that must the people love one another.

At Mullumbimby, he said there was raised a new temple where the people might worship and show their love for God.

He said the new church had been built through an effort started by Fr. Thomas O'Byrne about 20 years ago because the old church had become inadequate for a growing Catholic community. The work had been carried on by Rev. Fr. John Roger. "We could, no doubt, have built a cheaper building" the Bishop said, "but here we have a church worthy of the effort and a sign of our devotion and faith".

## **St John's Church Mullumbimby Shared Photo Gallery:**



Parishioner parents.



## Today's Gospel: <u>Mark:12:38-44.</u> (Short form 12:41-44)

"This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed."

Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal.

A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

## **Gospel Reflection:**

As we would expect to be the case, Jesus observes that those who were rich contributed

large sums to the treasury.
Those with less means made smaller contributions. A similar situation exists in most of our parishes as well. Jesus calls attention, however, to a poor widow who makes the smallest of contributions—two coins of little value. Jesus upholds the poor widow's offering for his disciples' consideration, commending her because her small offering was an act of profound generosity, giving from her livelihood rather than her surplus.

To give from our livelihood is not only an act of generosity, it is also an act of trust in God. We can only give from our need if we trust that God will provide for us. Jesus himself demonstrates the ultimate act of generosity and trust in God as he gives his life for us on the cross.

## **Let Us Pray**



### Recently deceased:

Fae Charlie, Mary McCarten, Denise Robinson (Parish Secretary of Coraki & Alstonville.)

### **Anniversaries:**

Joseph & Keith Walker, Searl Browning, Athol Sawtell, Antonio Pinna, Cora & Ned Cook, Anne Carolan, Sheila & Bruce Pentland.

### Time of need:

Paul Murphy, Martin Taylor, Jan Mangleson, Anne Carolan, Lucy Went, Jeanne Sjoberg, Peter White.

## Deceased priests of the Diocese November:

Frs: Patrick McGuiness, John Joseph Durkin, James Henry Young, Michael O'Driscoll, Jame O'Reilly, Pierce Corcoran, Thomas Butler, Cornelius Hanly & John Fitz-Walter.

### Saints and Feasts November:

11: St Martin of Tours.

12: St Josephat.

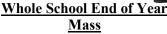
15: St Albert the Great.

**16:** St Margaret of Scotland. & St Gertrude.

22: St Cecilla.

**23:** St Columban, St Clement I, Pope.

## ST JOHN'S SCHOOL



9:30am 13th of December, Fr David Gilbey Presiding. All welcome.

# END OF SCHOOL YEAR MASS



Blessings for the week ahead, Dave Bermingham; Principal of St John's

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PARISH SCHOOL -St John's Primary School <u>Principal:</u> Dave Bermingham

Phone: (02) 6684 2386

### **OUR CHURCHES:**

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



## **Coffee Gathering!**

Our next gathering is

Wednesday 13th November at

10.30am at the Ex Services Club

Mullumbimby.

The Ex Services Club now offers light snacks with your coffee/tea at a reasonable price, such as banana bread, raisin toast, croissants and more.

You are most welcome to bring a friend along and our male parishioners and friends are most welcome.



### **Rosary Team Meeting**

The monthly prayer meeting of the Rosary Team will be held at the home of Pat Plater;

Corner Train and Station Streets,

Mullumbimby,
on Saturday November 16

on Saturday November 16 at 9:30 am.

This month's reflection is on Luke 1:39-45, The Visitation. "Which signs of hope, beyond everything that still darkens our world, make us rejoice."

All welcome.

**Enquiries phone Pat 6684 1436** 

## Church Rosters: 16/17 November 2024

Church	Readers	Minister of Communion
OLOL	Lisa R	Mark R
StJohn's	Olga & Viv	Michael C



### **Advent Daily Reflection Books:**

The Light and Hope Reigns Advent books are now available!

Available on the table at the rear of St John's and OLOL Churches. \*Place your name on the sheet and mark it

\*Place money in the container provided, and collect a book.

