

## St John's Catholic Parish

**Brunswick Valley** 

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

#### **Today's Gospel:**

#### $\overline{\text{Matthew: 5: } 1 - 12.}$

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn:

they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:

they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God.

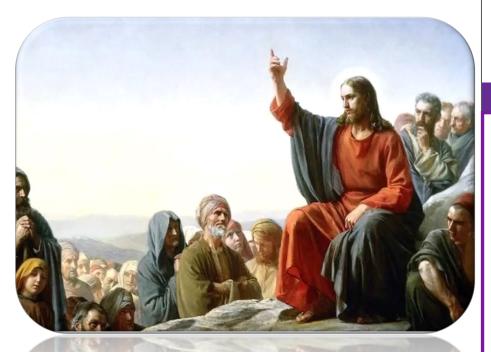
Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'



"And the Lord said to me, 'My child, you please Me most by suffering. In your physical as well as your mental sufferings, My daughter, do not seek sympathy from creatures. I want the fragrance of your suffering to be pure and unadulterated. I want you to detach yourself, not only from creatures, but also from yourself...The more you will come to love suffering,

My daughter, the purer your love for Me will be."

St. Maria Faustina Kowalska: Divine Mercy in My Soul

## **Sunday 26th January 2025 Australia Day.**

#### Liturgy this week

**Is:** 32: 15-18, **Ps:** 84: 9-14, R, **Rom:** 12: 9-13,

**Mt:** 5: 1-12.

#### **Psalm Response**

The Lord speaks of peace to his people.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the peacemakers:
they shall be called
the children of God
Alleluia!

#### Next week's readings

The PRESENTATION of the LORD:

Mal: 3:1-4, Ps: 23:7-10, Heb: 2:14-18, Lk: 2:22-40.

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#### **WEEKLY MASSES:**

#### O.L.O.L. Brunswick Heads

Thurs. 30th Jan. 5:30pm

#### St. John's Mullumbimby

Sun. 2nd Feb. 8:00am

#### WEEKDAY LITURGY:

#### **Brunswick Heads**

Wednesday Adoration 6:00pm-7:00pm

#### **Mullumbimby**

Friday Adoration 8:30am-10:00am

## St John's Catholic Parish Brunswick Valley

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#### PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

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#### PARISH OFFICE

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**Office Hours:** 

Tuesdays: 9:00am—2:00pm Wednesdays: 9:00am—4:00pm

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.

## **Church Rosters:** 1st—2nd February 2025

<u>Church</u>	<u>Readers</u>	Minister of Communion
<u>OLOL</u>	Mark R	Lisa R
<u>St John's</u>	Paul B & Olga F	Anna A

#### **BULLETIN ARTICLE DEADLINE:**

Please send in any notices or information for the Parishioners for the Bulletin by Wednesdays at 10:00am to:

mullumbimby@lismore.catholic.org.au

If it does not get published in the week

you sent it, it will be published the

following week.

Morning Tea @ St John's Church Mullumbimby 1st Sunday of every month after Mass. The Church Rosters for Parishioners are now available on our Church website:

<u>Home -</u> <u>Mullumbimby</u> <u>Parish</u>

#### St John's Primary School, Mullumbimby





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No gospel reflection this week.

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# World Day of Prayer 2025 "Cook Islands" "I Made You Wonderful" Psalm 139:14

WDP is a worldwide movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year. The Cook Islands have prepared the 2025 service.

On the 7th March 2025 The World Day of Prayer for the Brunswick Valley will be coordinated by the St Johns Parish so we are calling on parishioners for any help you can offer/Anyone who has been to the Cook Islands, Anything would be helpful.

For more Info call:

Vivianne: 0457637726



### THANK YOU!

St John's Conference of SVDP Mullumbimby sincerely thanks Parishioners for their kind donations from July 2024 to January 2025 for the Poor Box and SVDP Christmas Appeal. \$1282.60 was collected in the Poor Box and \$80 for the Christmas Appeal. Thank you all for your generous donations.



#### **Family Groups:**

Our parish currently has 2 Family Groups, the MacKillop Group and St John's Group. Each group holds social gatherings every 5 to 6 seeks. It is a great way to get to know other parishioners and enjoy some social time together. Anyone wishing to join a group please contact:

Vivianne Pyke 0457 637 726 or Pam Lang 0450 150 439.



#### **Mackillop Family Group**

A Planning Meeting to organise our events for this year will be held at the home of Denise O'Donnell, 3/23 Poinciana Place,

Mullumbimby, on Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm.

Please bring along a plate of food to share afterwards.

Text Denise on 0438 836 453 if you would like to come along.



#### **PARISH MASS CHANGE:**

Dear Parishioners, my sincere thanks for your patience with regard to our Parish Liturgies these last months since Fr Michael finished up his most generous and committed ministry in St John's Parish. We continue to pray for his health and convalescence.

I also wish to sincerely thank Deacon Anthony Gooley for his valued and timely ministry in the Parish. His last *Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion* will be at O.L.O.L. Brunswick Heads this Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January.

From that time on, for the foreseeable future, the liturgy for Sunday Mass will be celebrated:

5.30pm each Thursday at O.L.O.L. Brunswick Heads.

## 8.00am each Sunday at St John's Mullumbimby.

A president to celebrate Sunday Masses, other than the usual time, has already been set in several other parishes in the Lismore Diocese.

Please keep an eye on this Bulletin, as I also arrange other Pastoral Ministries including Reconciliation and Mass of Anointing.

Thank you for your continued support. Fr David Gilbey, Pastor.

#### **NEW OFFICE HOURS:**

Change of office hours to: **Tue: 9:00am-2:00pm Wed: 9:00am-4:00pm** no Thursdays.



#### **Let Us Pray**



#### **Recently deceased:**

Harry Wedd, Barry Hammond,
Betty Byrnes, Fae Charlie,
Mary McCarten,
Denise Robinson, Sr. Michelle
(Ann) Condon RSJ, Dot Cornale.

#### **Anniversaries:**

Robert (Mick) Bellenger, Phil Kearney, May Walker, 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.

## Deceased priests of the Diocese January:

Frs: John Buggy, Joseph H Doyle, Louis Bean, Leo Francis Donnelly, Anthony Casey, James Eric Carney and Brain Murphy.



#### Coffee Gathering!

Our next gathering is
Wednesday 12th February
at 10.30am

at the Ex Service 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.

#### **SAVE THE DATE:**

#### **COMING UP:**

26th: Ocean Shores Aussie day event-Mullet Throwing.

2nd: The Presentation of the Lord. **5th:** Free Safeguarding workshop:

Ballina @ 9:30am—1:00pm

\*: Catenians Men's meet and greet dinner in Alstonville.



#### **WEEKLY:**

#### Christian Meditation—

Tue 9.30am: Our Lady of Lourdes, Brunswick Heads.

#### **MONTHLY:**

#### **Sunday Morning Tea:**

1st Sunday;

St John's Church, after Liturgy

**Coffee Gathering:** 

2nd Wednesday.

**Rosary Team Meeting:** 

2nd Saturday.



#### AUSTRALIA DAY WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP MULLET THROWING **COMPETITION**

Children and Adult Categories Prizes **AUSSIE SINGALONG** Morris and his Musos 3PM OCEAN SHORES SCHOOL Afternoon tea Lamingtons Prizes Enquiries: Jan Mangleson 0431 477445



#### ST JOHN'S MULLUMBIMBY

Our hearts go out to the people of Los Angeles affected by the devastating wildfires. Over 150,000 residents have been forced to evacuate their homes, and thousands of structures, including houses and churches, have been destroyed. Pope Francis has offered his prayers and expressed his

deep sadness to those impacted by this tragedy.



Pope Francis offers prayers for those impacted by Los Angeles wildfires -The Catholic Leader <— Click here to read article.





In person 9:30 AM - 1 PM

Register now!

## **CATENIANS**

Meeting and Dinner Wednesday 5th February First Wednesday of each month

Fellowship 6.15pm - St Joseph's Staffroom, Alstonville Meeting 6:30pm - St Joseph's Staffroom, Alstonville Dinner 7:00pm - The Federal Hotel, Alstonville

A network of Catholic men who catch up regularly for dinner and friendship

> For more information or to RSVP call or email Kurt Challinor kurt.challinor@lism.catholic.edu.au 0417661057

#### Thank you for your prayers

Mary MacKillop Today supports thousands of people in Timor-Leste, Peru, Papua New Guinea, Fiji and here in Australia, bringing hope to communities for generations to come.

Please pray for Mary MacKillop Today especially during the challenging times we all face, so that we can continue to transform lives through our vitals works carrying on the legacy of Saint Mary MacKillop.

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www.marymackilloptoday.org.au



#### Magi Pilgrimages Australia is organising the following Jubilee Pilgrimages 2025.

- 1. Streams of Mercy (May),
- 2. Italy & Poland (May),
- 3. Marian Shrines (June),
- 4. Shrines of our Lady (August),
- **5.** Pilgrimage of Hope (October). The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stav in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides. For itineraries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or 1300 721 561 or email us:

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