



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



## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*You are Peter, and I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

## Reflection

Did you notice in the first reading that, whilst Peter was in prison, 'the whole Church kept on praying incessantly for him'? This constant prayer played its part in Peter's being freed from the chains which bound him, the shackles which fettered him. Prayer of the community was essential to his being freed from prison.

What are the shackles or chains which fetter the successor of St Peter? What prison walls need to be shattered so that he can preach the marvels of God in ways which affect the hearts of humanity? We know prayer of the community, i.e., of us, will be essential to his being freed – from what? A Pope could be imprisoned by a distorted or impoverished idea of 'the Church'.

In the Gospel, our Lord says to Simon son of Jonah: 'You are Peter and on this rock I will build my church'. 'My church' – the church desired by our Lord, not a church designed by all too earthly ambitions, a church whose structure owes much to the Roman empire, and later to Euro-centric models spanning the last millennia or so.

May the Church, the Church of the third millennium, be unshackled from the chains of various historical eras so that the Pope, in giving an account of his ministry to the Lord will be able to say with St Paul, 'I have fought the good fight to the end,' by doing my best to heed your call 'rebuild *my* Church'.

© Fr Michael Tate

## Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles, Year C

**29 June 2025**

### 1st Reading:

Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11

### Psalm:

*The Lord set me free from all my fears.*

**2nd Reading:** 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

### Gospel Acclamation:

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*"You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it.*

*Alleluia!*

**Gospel:** Matthew 16:13-19

### Next weeks readings:

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**

**1st Reading:** Isaiah 66:10-14

**Psalm:** 65:1-7, 16, 20

**2nd Reading:** Galatians 6:14-18

**Gospel:** Luke 10:1-12, 17-20



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**Brunswick Valley**

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

Please send in any notices or  
information for the Bulletin by  
Wednesday 12:00 noon

**ONLINE MASSES**

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**ROSTERS 3 July & 6 July 2025**

**O.L.O.L 3 July**

Reader: Frances G

Minister of

Communion: Carolyn S

**St John's 6 July**

Readers: Vivianne P

Anna A

Minister of

Communion: Lisa De C

**Fr Michael Brady Funeral**  
**Notice**

The Mass of Christian Burial for  
Fr Michael will be celebrated at  
St Joseph's Catholic Church,  
Tweed Heads, on Thursday 3 July  
2025 at 11am.

May the Lord welcome Fr  
Michael into the fullness of His  
peace and joy.

Let us remember him and his  
loved ones in our prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O  
Lord, and let perpetual light shine  
upon him.

**SAFEGUARDING YOUR CHILDREN**

Would parents please keep their children  
supervised at all times in the  
church and surrounding grounds  
- including taking them to the  
bathroom. For their safety,  
please ensure you can always see  
them while on Parish grounds.



**Weekday Masses**

**O.L.O.L. Brunswick Heads**

Thursday 5.30pm

**St John's Mullumbimby**

Sunday 8am

**Weekday Liturgy**

**O.L.O.L. Brunswick Heads**

Christian Meditation

Tuesday 9.30am,

Wednesday Adoration

6pm-7.00pm

**St John's Mullumbimby**

Friday Adoration

9am -10am

*Reconciliation*

**O.L.O.L. Brunswick Heads**

Thursdays 5pm—5.20pm

**Recently Deceased**

Father Michael Brady, Father  
Peter Karem, Father Kevin  
Ehlefeldt MSC, Beth Gibson,  
Pope Francis, Alan Gibney,  
Madeleine Merlot, Harry Wedd,  
Mary McCarten.

**Anniversaries**

Barrie Walker, Viva Walker,  
Ancestors of James Jonathon  
Roberts, Col O'Donnell, Peter  
Nicholls, Nell Sawtell, Ann,  
Mary Nicholson, Vincent  
Nicholson, Garry Sawtell, Harold  
Patrick Walker, May Walker,  
Antonio Pinna, Searl Browning,  
Athol Sawtell, Shiela & Bruce  
Pentland.

**Time of Need**

Paul Murphy, Martin Taylor, Jan  
Mangleston, Anne Carolan

**Deceased priests of the Diocese**  
**June**

**Frs:** Jeremiah Joseph Doyle (*First  
Bishop of Lismore*), Patrick  
O'Mahoney, Edward M O'Brien,  
Charles Casey, Bernard Kenny,  
Joseph Ahern, Patrick Carey,  
Eamon Philip Leonard, Patrick  
William Duggan, Patrick Ahern,  
Edward Galavan, James Anthony  
Hoade, Paul Rex Brown.

**Living the Gospel – Who do you say I am?**

The question Jesus puts to his disciples is the very same question that he puts to us every day of our lives, 'Who do you say I am?' How we choose to answer that question will be reflected in our attitude towards self, others and to life itself. How we answer that question will change frequently throughout life as experience and changing spirituality lead us into asking other questions of ourselves. If we hold that the teaching and example of Jesus are important to us, then we are bound to strive towards emulating them in our own lives.



**Sunday Morning Tea**

**You are most welcome** to join us for a cuppa and a  
chat on Sunday (6 July) following 8am Mass at  
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## **Tribunal of the Catholic Church**

Marriage breakdown is a traumatic experience for all those concerned. The Church reaches out in support of those who are divorced, while upholding the permanence of a true Christian marriage. The Lismore Office of the Tribunal extends an invitation to any divorced person who would like to talk about the annulment process. You can be assured that your privacy will be respected. Should you choose to apply for an annulment, you will be guided and supported through the process.

For further information please phone the Lismore Office of the Tribunal on **66217 288** or email [tribunal@lismore.catholic.org.au](mailto:tribunal@lismore.catholic.org.au)

### **VOCATIONS MINISTRY**

Thank you to all who have volunteered as

#### **Vocations Prayer Champions.**

At 9 am we have 77 people at prayer and at 6pm we have 39 people.

You can sign up to be a **Vocations Prayer Champion** at [vocations@lismore.catholic.org.au](mailto:vocations@lismore.catholic.org.au).

Pray one glory be, one hail Mary and one Our Father for an increase in priestly vocations.

**This month ask someone** if they have considered a vocation as a priest, deacon or religious.

Ask them to contact Vocations Ministry Lismore via the email above or phone 02 6681 1048.

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### **JUBILEE ART PRIZE**

In celebration of the Jubilee Year, the Dioceses of Lismore will be launching a Jubilee Art Prize reflecting the theme of *hope*.

The artwork is being nominated prior to the closing date

5 August 2025.

Please find more details of the Jubilee Art Prize located at the back of the church.



### **JUBILEE OF YOUTH**

The Jubilee of Youth celebrates the life and contribution of young people in our Church and the world. "Young people are no longer children. They are at a time of life when they begin to assume a number of responsibilities, sharing alongside adults in the growth of the family, society and the Church" (Pope Francis, *Christus Vivit*, n.64).

#### **PRAYER**

Come Holy Spirit of this Great Southland  
Inspire our entire faith community, As we prayerfully discern new horizons for spreading joy in the lives and communities of the People of God. Come Holy Spirit of Youth Fill the hearts of young people with the hope and love of Jesus Christ. Enliven our community with the creativity, energy and joy of youth. Guide us together, as we strive to offer God's mercy to those who feel abandoned or outcast. Come Holy Spirit of Faith Empower our community to be courageous. Unite your people as witnesses of love. Walk with us, as we blaze new trails of discipleship, Accompanying young people as we renew the Church together. Come Holy Spirit of Vocation Stir within young people an awareness of God's call. Reveal to us the graces of young people. Guide us all, in finding our place and raising our voices To build a civilisation of love. Amen. Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, friend of the young, pray for us. (Year of Youth 2018 Prayer, Australian Catholic Bishops Conference)





## SAVE THE DATE

### WEEKLY:

#### **Confession:**

Thursdays 5-5.20pm

Our Lady of Lourdes, Brunswick Heads

### MONTHLY:

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

1st Sunday

St John's Church, Mullumbimby, after Mass.

#### **Coffee Gathering:**

2nd Wednesday 10.30am,

Mullumbimby Ex Services Club

#### **Rosary Team Meeting:**

2nd Saturday

Location will be advised each month

### **St Vincent de Paul St John's Conference Mullumbimby**

"Vinnies Winter Appeal will be held on Sunday, 13 July, and envelopes will be in the pews for parishioners wishing to donate to the Winter Appeal."



St John's Primary School  
Mullumbimby

## **ENROLMENTS OPEN KINDERGARTEN 2026**

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### **ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

## **WINTER APPEAL**

### **St John's Donation Drive**

From Monday June 23<sup>rd</sup> - Wednesday July 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will be taking donations of the listed items (in good condition) to support those in our community. Please add your donations to the basket outside the Canteen.



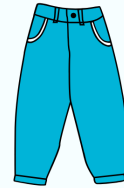
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### **St Vincent de Paul Brunswick Heads Conference**

St Vincent de Paul Brunswick Heads will be running their Winter Appeal over the next 2 weeks.

Parishioners support for the Marginalized in our area would be greatly appreciated.

### **Collection of St. Peter's Pence:**

#### **A gesture to support the Pope in His mission**

On Sunday June 29 the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, and on this occasion, the traditional Peter's Pence collection takes place. This is a concrete way to support the Holy Father in his mission of service to the universal Church.

Peter's Pence is a gesture of communion and participation in the Pope's mission to proclaim the Gospel, promote peace, and spread Christian charity.

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