



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 John 14:1-12

I am the way, the truth, and the life.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled.
Trust in God still, and trust in me.
There are many rooms in my Father's house;
if there were not, I should have told you.
I am now going to prepare a place for you,
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,
I shall return to take you with me;
so that where I am
you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one can come to the Father except through me.
If you know me, you know my Father too.
From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.'
'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father,
so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?'
Do you not believe
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?
The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:
it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.
You must believe me when I say
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;
believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

'I tell you most solemnly,
whoever believes in me
will perform the same works as I do myself,
he will perform even greater works,
because I am going to the Father.'

Reflection

Pope Leo XIV reminds us that through the paschal mystery Jesus became 'a blessing for all and forever.' In a sense, this is what Jesus calls each of us to do too. We are called to be Christ's blessing for our neighbourhoods and neighbours.

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3 May 2026

5th Sunday of Easter, Year A

1st Reading

Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

Psalm Response

*Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.*

2nd Reading

1 Peter 2:4-9

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 14:1-12



Next weeks readings

6th Sunday of Easter, Year A

1st Reading

Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17

Psalm Response

Psalm 65:1-7, 16, 20 Rv.1

2nd Reading

1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel

John 14:15-21

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Brunswick Valley

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Our Churches

St John's Church, Mullumbimby
Our Lady of Lourdes Church,
Brunswick Heads

ROSTERS

7 & 10 May

O.L.O.L. 7 May
Lector: Lisa R
Minister of
Communion: Mark R

St John's 10 May
Lector: Silvana S
Minister of
Communion: Vivianne P

BULLETIN ARTICLE DEADLINE

Please send in any notices or
information for the Bulletin by
Tuesday 5pm

mullumbimby@lismore.catholic.org.au
With thanks Charmaine

WEEKLY 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

St John's Mullumbimby
Friday Adoration
9am -10am

O.L.O.L. Brunswick Heads
Reconciliation
Thursdays 5pm—5.20pm

PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTION
ENVELOPES / DIRECT DEBIT

Option 1: Collection Boxes at Church entrance

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Option 3: Direct Debit, details as follows

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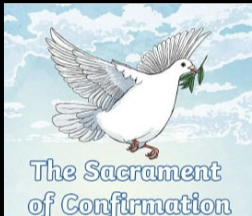
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Thank you for your continued Parish financial support.
Fr David Gilbey


Thank you



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

To Parishioners who desire their children to receive the
Sacrament of Confirmation on 1 July 2026 in the St John's Parish,
please contact the Parish office (Charmaine) by 1 June 2026 on 02 6684 2106
or email mullumbimby@lismore.catholic.org.au.

YOU'RE INVITED TO GLOW - 6 May 2026

"GOD IS LIGHT AND IN HIM THERE IS NO DARKNESS" 1 John 1:5

Gathering together within each region of the Lismore Diocese, Year 6 students will experience fun activities, live praise and worship, and immersive prayer experiences.

Further details are on the flyer in each Church.

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased:

Shirley Cairns, Barbara Finnigan.

Those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

May Walker, Harold Patrick Walker, Jack Walker, Mary Nicholson, Terry Godbee, Sharyn Leroy,
Lenard & Claudine McNaught, Mary Walker, Leo Alidenes, Vi & Margaret Walker, Vincent Nicholson.

As a faith community, we pray with our brothers and sisters in their time of need: Mary Collins.

(Due to Privacy Laws, names are only placed on this list when requested by the sick person or family member and will remain on this list for at least 6 weeks. As we are not aware if illness improves or continues, you are welcome to make a further request for inclusion)

Deceased priests of the Diocese - May

Frs: +John Joseph Carroll *Second Bishop of Lismore*, Denis Mullins, William John Power,
Charles John Smith, Thomas O'Byrne, Richard Henry Williams, Robert Allen Kennedy, John Walsh,
Charles O'Gallagher, +Patrick Joseph Farrelly *Third Bishop of Lismore*, Arthur Andrew Daley,
Peter Michael Karam.

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Reflection

This calling is critical to our parish life. Each Sunday, the Pope says, ‘we gather around Jesus’, who ‘encourages us’ to live the great promise and precious treasure of ‘living to give life!’

This being so, the Pope encourages us to listen to Jesus. ‘He journeys with us, even today, to teach us’, the Pope says. And what Jesus teaches is ‘the logic of unconditional love.’

‘Let us listen to him,’ the Pope implores, ‘let us enter into his light so as to become the light of the world, starting with the neighbourhood where we live. The whole life of the parish and its groups exists for this reason: it is a service to light, a service to joy.’

Each one of us, then, is called to build up our communities through ‘the gaze of faith, which transfigures everything with hope, putting passion, sharing and creativity into circulation as a cure for the many wounds’ we see around us.

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SUNDAY MORNING TEA

Our next morning tea is on **Sunday (3 May)** following 8am Mass at St John’s Church, Mullumbimby.



All Welcome

Feel free to bring a plate.

COFFEE CLUB

You are most welcome to join us for a cuppa and a chat.

Wednesday
10.30am - 13 May
Mullum Ex Services Club

You may wish to bring a friend.



Safeguarding Office

The Safeguarding Office is available to;



listen to your concerns respectfully and to offer support, to provide guidance in embedding Safeguarding Standards.

Safeguarding Office:

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ROSARY TEAM MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING

This month’s meeting of the Rosary Team will be held at the home of Pam Lang, 325 Myocum Road, Myocum, on Saturday, **9 May at 9:30 am.**

Anyone is welcome to join us for prayer and reflection.

Enquiries phone Pam 0450 150 439.



May 2026 Vocations view:

Do you know a Catholic man, aged between 18-35, whom God may be calling to the priesthood? Perhaps God is asking you to be the voice to prompt that man to consider the quiet whisper he already hears in his heart.

Ask someone if they have considered the call.

vocations@lismore.catholic.org.au



IMPORTANT FOR MAY

Over the next 4 weekends in May we may ask you a couple of questions for the data collection, we thank you in advance for participating. With thanks Charmaine (Parish Secretary).

Interest Rate—3.65%
(eff 1/4/2026)
For further information and our current interest rate, please visit our website www.dif.org.au or contact us on 1800 802 516



We advise that effective **1 April 2026**, the interest rate on DIF investments will change to **3.65%**

The 6th National Count of Attendance at Mass and Other (Sunday) Assemblies will take place in May 2026. This year marks a significant milestone - 25 years of national attendance data, beginning with the first count in 2001.

The 2026 results will provide valuable insights into long-term trends, particularly in understanding the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, which influenced attendance patterns in 2021.

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



St John's Students Honour the ANZAC Spirit

Last week, the staff and students of **St John's Primary School** had the distinct honour of attending the local ANZAC Day Ceremony. It was a moving occasion as our school joined the wider parish and local community to remember and give thanks for the profound courage, sacrifice, and service of the men and women who have served our nation in times of war and peace.

We were incredibly proud of the way our students conducted themselves during the service. They represented our school with immense maturity, embodying the ANZAC spirit through their quiet reflection and prayerful presence. The ceremony provided a powerful opportunity for our young people to reflect on the core values of:

- **Courage:** Facing challenges with strength and faith.
- **Mateship:** Supporting one another in times of need.
- **Peace:** Recognising our shared responsibility to build a harmonious world.



As a Catholic community, we pray for the souls of the departed and for the continued protection of those currently serving. Seeing our students engage so deeply with our national history reminds us of the importance of passing these stories of service down to the next generation.

Lest we forget.

God bless,

Dave Bermingham - Principal, St John's Catholic Primary School



SAVE THE DATE

MONTHLY

Sunday Morning Tea

1st Sunday
St John's Church,
Mullumbimby, after Mass

Coffee Club

2nd Wednesday 10.30am
Mullumbimby
Ex Services Club

Rosary Team Meeting

2nd Saturday
Day and time to be advised
monthly in Bulletin

WEEKLY

Reconciliation

Thursdays 5-5.20pm

Our Lady of Lourdes Church
Brunswick Heads

UPCOMING DATES

Sunday Morning Tea

Sunday 3 May after Mass

St John's Church
Mullumbimby

Rosary Team Meeting

Saturday 9 May

Mother's Day

Sunday 10 May

Coffee Club

Wednesday 13 May

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