

St John's Catholic Parish

Brunswick Valley

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

One flock under one Good Shepherd

THE fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by the Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the leadership of the Pharisees and the other Jewish leaders. The Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angry that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus (see John 10:31,39).

In the portion of the chapter that we hear proclaimed today, Jesus describes his relationship with his followers as similar to the relationship between a good shepherd and his sheep. As a good shepherd will risk and lay down his life in order to protect his sheep, Jesus willingly sacrifices himself for the sake of his sheep. Jesus contrasts the actions of the good shepherd with the actions of the hired shepherd who abandons the sheep in the face of danger.

As with so much of John's Gospel, one hears in this passage John's particular focus on Christology. As the sheep are known by the Good Shepherd, the Father knows Jesus and Jesus knows the Father. There is



an essential unity between the Father and the Son. The freedom with which Jesus acts when he lays down his life is rooted in the unity that he shares with his Father.

In this context, Jesus also refers to others with whom he shares a relationship. By this reference, John probably understands the eventual inclusion of the Gentiles in the Christian community. Our modern ears hear this as a reference to Christian unity. The work of ecumenism is to restore unity among all Christians so that we form one flock under one shepherd, as God desires. *- Loyola Press*



Sunday 21st April, 2024
4th Sunday of Easter, Year B

Liturgy this week

This week's readings:
Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2;
Jn 10:11-18.

Psalm Response

The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. *Alleluia!*

Next week's readings:

Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24;
Jn 15:1-8.

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This Week's Services

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Brunswick Heads

Tuesday Adoration

6pm-7.30pm

(No Thursday PM service at OLOL)

Mullumbimby

Thursday 9am

Anzac Day Mass

Friday Adoration

8.30-10am

WEEKEND MASSES

Brunswick Heads

Saturday Vigil 5pm

Mullumbimby

Sunday 8am

ONLINE MASSES

Join Bishop Greg for Mass on the Diocese of Lismore YouTube Channel



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VATICAN NEWS www.vaticannews.va

13/04/2024

Pope Francis offers consolation and prayers to victims of Sydney attack

15/04/2024

New modern stained-glass windows to be installed in Notre Dame

15/04/2024

"Conversations in the Spirit" for women in a synodal

15/04/2024

Pope Francis approves decrees for new Italian Saint and two Blessed from Spain

15/04/2024

US, Europe, Russia urge restraint after Iran attack on Israel

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Mullumbimby

Our Lady of Lourdes Church
50 Mullumbimbi Street,
Brunswick Heads

PARISH SCHOOL
St John's Primary School
Principal: David Bermingham
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World Day of Prayer for Vocations and Good Shepherd Appeal

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. Read Pope Francis' message - scan the QR code.



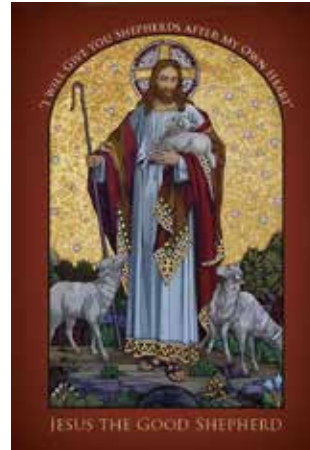
Good Shepherd Prayer for Priests

Lord Jesus Christ, eternal High Priest,

You offered yourself to the Father on the altar of the Cross and through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit gave Your priestly people a share in Your redeeming sacrifice. Hear our prayer for the sanctification of our priests.

Grant that all who are ordained to the ministerial priesthood may be ever more conformed to You, the Divine Master. May they preach the Gospel with pure heart and clear conscience.

Let them be shepherds according to Your own Heart, single-minded in



service to You and to the Church and shining examples of a holy, simple and joyful life.

Through the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Your Mother and ours, draw all priests and the flocks entrusted to their care to the fullness of eternal life where

you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.
Amen.

Direct Deposit Planned Giving

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1st Collection Clergy Fund

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Acc: **50979 7032**

2nd Collection Parish Account

Bank: NAB,
Name: **St John's Parish
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Acc: **50979 6718.**

Set up monthly payments online or at your bank.
Please set payments for the **15th** of each month.

"Never see a need without doing something about it." ~ St Mary of the Cross MacKillop



Church Rosters: 27/28 April, 2024

Church	Reader	Minister of Communion
OLOL	Jan Mangleson	Michael Scarrabelotti
SJC	Marie Wedd	Lilsa de Costa

COVID Safety

- Please use provided hand sanitiser on entry/exit. ● Masks encouraged.
 - Eucharist on the tongue allowed. Please come after those who receive on the hand.
 - Communion at Home: Hands sanitised entry/exit; Mask by choice.
- Do not attend church if you have any flu / covid symptoms.**

Our next
Anointing Mass
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OLOL,
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Vocations for all

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.

Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.

Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

Pray for Vocations. As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to

priesthood or religious life.

Everyone Has a Divine Vocation.

“Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus! There is no one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit.” –

From a Vocations Homily by Saint John Paul II

For parents to Teach Your Children.

After Mass today, have a conversation with your children, asking, “What do you want to be when you grow up?”

After a few moments of discussion, ask, “Who do you think God wants you to be when you grow up?”

Emphasize to your children that God has a specific plan in mind for them, and that following God's plan is the surest way to happiness. Every life decision should be undertaken only after praying for God's guidance.

Let Us Pray

Recently deceased: Iris Sloane, Ray Gardiner, Mary Spark, John Irby, Kate Stirling, John McDermott.



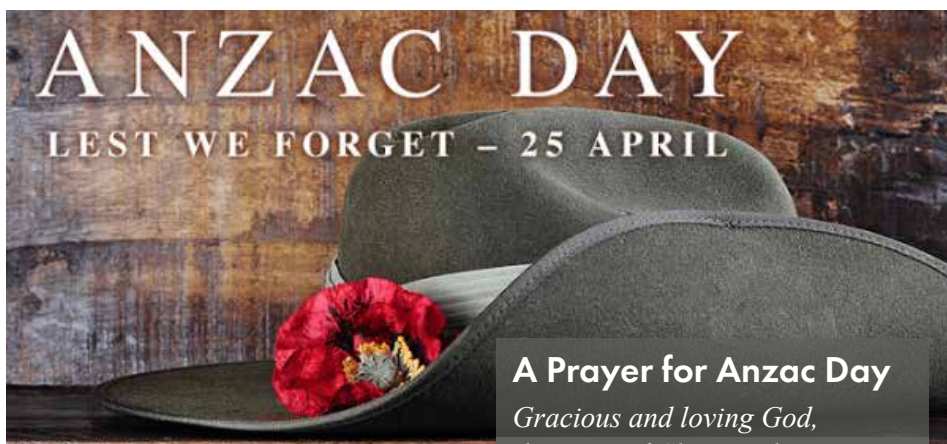
Anniversaries: Margaret and Vi Walker, Marie South and Francis South, Sharyn Leroy, WGC DR Sean Bellenger AM, Stephen Nicholson.

Time of need: Anne Carolan, Fr Peter Slack, Lucy Went, Eden Wedd, Jeanne Sjoberg, Pat Plater, Peter White, Shirley Cairns, Barry McGrath, Maryann Paterson, Martin Fitzhenry, Joy Kearney, Trevan Pepper, Fr Anthony Lemon.

Deceased priests of the Diocese APR: Charles Kakumanu, Steven O'Donnell, John Dougherty, **George Cranney**, + John Satterthwaite, **4th Bishop of Lismore**, Paschal O'Halloran.

All Information for the bulletin by Tuesday morning please!

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**They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.
We will remember them.**

Adapted from Prayer for Anzac Centenary from 'Mass for the Fallen'. © Australian Catholic Bishops Conference 2016.
www.catholic.org.au/mass-for-the-fallen/anzac-centenary-parish-resources.

A Prayer for Anzac Day

*Gracious and loving God,
the cross of Christ is the sign
of your desire for justice and
peace for all.*

*Open our minds to your vision
as we remember all who suffered
through Australia and New
Zealand's involvement
in wars, conflicts and
peacekeeping operations.*

*Grant all servicepersons
who sacrificed health and life for
the good of all,
the gift of your deep peace.
May we who inherit the freedom
for which they fought become
instruments of your peace
in our homes, workplaces and
world.*

*We ask this prayer through Christ
our Lord. Amen*

Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

*God of peace and justice,
who change the hardened heart and
break the power of violence, we
entrust the people of Ukraine to you.
Protect them in this time of peril;
let them know not death but life, not
slavery but freedom.*

*You are Father of all; we are brothers
and sisters.*

*Give us the strength to live that truth
in love, choosing peace not war.*

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen



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**Anzac Day Mass
St John's Church,
Mullumbimby**

Thursday 25 April - 9am

SAVE THE DATE

APR 21: Good Shepherd Appeal.

25: Anzac Day Mass, SJC - 9am.

May 5: Parish Morning Tea, after Mass SJC. All welcome.

7, 14, 21, 28: Confirmation sessions at St John's School 5pm.

WEEKLY

Christian Meditation - Tue 9.30am, OLOL, Brunswick Heads.

ADORATION

- **OLOL:** Tues 6 - 7.30pm

Thu 10.30-11.30am (+ Communion service). **NOTE: Not 3rd Thursday.**

- **ST JOHN'S:** Fri 8.30am-10am (not on again until 26/04/24)

MONTHLY

Sunday Morning Tea - 1st Sun.

Coffee Gathering - 2nd Wed.

Rosary Team Meeting - 2nd Sat.

Confession - 2nd Sun SJC.

Anointing Mass - 3rd Thurs

Special Appeals

(Parish cash donations to date)

Today's Collection: Good

Shepherd Appeal - for the education of future priests in our Diocese.

Good Shepherd Appeal

This weekend is the Good Shepherd Appeal to pay for the education of future priests in our Diocese. Envelopes are in both churches.

Book recommendation

A book for you recommended by Bishop Greg Homeming to enrich your experience of participation in Mass by Deacon Anthony Gooley of Ballina parish, **52 Sundays: A Reflective Guide to the Mass.** Available online from Coventry Press. This is a book that is meant to be read over 52 weeks and invites you to deepen your own experience of the celebration of the Mass.

Centenary celebration

The Mallangane Convent 100- year Celebration will be held on **Saturday 27 April from 11am - 4pm.**

At 59 Talloom Street, Mallangane. Mass will be Celebrated on Sunday 28th April at 10.30am. For more information please contact Lyn & Greg Baker 0410 885 649

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Sacramental Programme



Confirmation: Term 2 (Yr 3)

Tuesday twilight sessions (At the School).

1st session: **May 7** - 5pm,

2nd session: **May 14** - 5pm,

3rd session: **May 21** - 5pm,

4th session: **May 28** - 5pm.

Sacrament: Thursday 6th June, at St John's Church, Mullumbimby, **with Bishop Greg Homeming.**

Parishioners welcome to attend, Please bring a plate of food for the supper afterwards.

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