



Sacred Heart Parish Church

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Office Hours: Thurs 8 April 8am to 12pm

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PARISH MASS TIMES

Sacred Heart Church Inverell

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 9.00am

Monday, Tuesday and 1st Saturday 9.30am

Wednesday and Thursday 12 noon

1st Friday Mass and Benediction 12 noon

First Wednesday Anointing Mass 12 noon

McLean Village Each Friday except 1st Friday 11.00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 8.15am - 9.15am

Sunday 8.00am - 8.30am

Tingha St. Francis' Church Saturday 4.00pm

Ashford St Patrick's Church 1st & 3rd Sunday 11.00am

Bundarra St Mary of the Angels 2nd & 4th Sun 11.00am

Yetman St Joseph the Worker 5th Sunday 11.30am

Baptism (Saturday only) 11am;

Marriages and Funerals by Appointment

For emergencies please phone 0428-126703

Daylight Saving Ends at 3.00am this Sunday, 4 April.
Don't forget to put your clocks back 1 hour!



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O' Sacrament Divine,
All Praise and all Thanksgiving,
be every moment Thine...



PARISH SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

APRIL - THE HOLY MONTH OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST	
MON 5th	Easter Monday Rosary 9.00am Mass 9.30am
TUE 6th	Easter Tuesday Rosary 9.00am Communion Service 9.30am
WED 7th	Easter Wednesday Rosary 11.30am Mass 12 Noon Funeral Mass for Shirley Hardy 2.30pm
THUR 8th	Easter Thursday Rosary 11.30am Mass 12 Noon
FRI 9th	Easter Friday Rosary 9.00am Mass 9.30am McLean Mass 11.00am
SAT 10th	Easter Saturday Rosary 9.00am Mass 9.30am

OUR VISION AND OUR MISSION

We as a PARISH, try to live out our VISION: To continually form a Christ-centred community based on the Gospel Values expressed through SERVICE in peace, justice and love. MISSION: To know Christ more, His life and His teachings. To imbibe Christ's message of love and service. To try to share generously what graces and blessings we have and to be instruments of the Gospel message.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Repose of the souls of Pat & Kevin Clancy; John Lennon; Joseph Hanna; Anthony Hanna; Jim Noble; Anniversary of death of Cecilia O'Brien (mother of Shayne O'Brien).

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Joan Ticehurst, Laurel King (wife of Tony) Fr John Willis, John Crabbe, Lorraine Welsh, Marie Ward, Jenny Turner, Wayne Jones, Emma Donaldson, Wayne Lackey, Tony Starr, Leo Germany, Baby Isabel Akhil, Joan Hiscox, Paul Saint, Kerrie O'Keeffe, Sr Leo (Josie) Clancy, John Sanders, Rex Parry, David Sanders, Danny Dickins, Katrina Newbiggin, Bob Kneipp, Brian Barker, Denise Taveira, Joanne Essey, Graham Tom, Fred Boight, Agnes Hannigan **and the sick members of our parish whose names are not listed here.**

We Pray for the Recently Deceased & for the Anniversaries of

Shirley Hardy; Gertrude Yap (sister of Fr Abmar) Shari Nobbs (granddaughter of Joan Ticehurst), Rhonda Lee Watts (daughter of Phyllis Nichols), Pat Peel (mother of Jo Peel), Dorothy Ball, Bobby Wallace, Maggie O'Brien, Sr Marcia Dawson RSJ, Mary Kramer, Bishop Luc Matthys, Damien Gaukroger. **Eternal life grant unto them Oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPORT OF YOUR PRIESTS AND UPKEEP OF THE CHURCH

The continued generosity of parish members is greatly appreciated. For those who would prefer to make donations by direct deposit the details of the Sacred Heart Parish Accounts are as follows:

1st Collection: Presbytery for priest support

BSB 082105 A/C 001023550

2nd Collection: Church for upkeep & maintenance

BSB 082105 A/C 001001010

For those on the Plan Giving Program could you please quote your surname and envelope number for the reference. Thank you.

WANTED - Catechist Helpers We are in need of 1 or 2 catechist helpers. 2 of our catechists are taking large classes & need an assistant. If you could help for an hour each Tues during term time please contact Fr James or Noela Turner on 0416052921.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Liturgy Committee	Tues 6 April 2021	10.00am
Pastoral Council	Wed 21 April 2021	5.00pm
Finance Committee	Mon 12 July 2021	5.30pm

COVID 19 SAFETY PLAN FOR OUR PARISH

Mass attendance, Weddings, and Funerals: The Sacred Heart Church can accommodate a maximum of 150 worshippers at a time. **Contact Sheets:** placed at each opened entrance to the Church. **Parishioners** attending the Church are required to record their full names. **Visitors** are required to record their name and contact details. This is a health tracing requirement in case of a Corona Virus outbreak. The contact sheets will be removed after each Mass and kept confidential. If you prefer to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, please wait until all other parishioners have been before approaching the altar. **If you are unwell please stay at home. If you require Home Communion contact the office.**

APRIL 4 - EASTER SUNDAY - YEAR B

"Out of the darkness of my life, so much frustrated, I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: the BLESSED SACRAMENT ... There you will find romance, glory, honour, fidelity, and the true way of all your loves upon earth ... by the taste of which alone can what you seek in your earthly relationships ... take on that complexion of reality, of eternal endurance, which every man's heart desires." - Professor JRR Tolkien



Alleluia! Praise to the Risen Lord!

Happy Easter & Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who assisted in organising the various Easter liturgies and all those who attended. Your presence made it a beautiful and blessed time.

Thank you to the Members of the Liturgy Committee, all those involved in the parish ministry roster, the Altar Society, Parish Staff, Members of the Music Ministry, Members of McLean Ministry, and the Staff and Pupils at Holy Trinity School.

Fr James and the parish team wish you all a blessed and grace-filled Easter.



Easter Blessing Prayer for Families

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. Lord, bless our families this Easter. *Book of Common Prayer, 1979 version*



The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday and goes until Divine Mercy Saturday. Please join this holy and powerful devotion which seeks God's mercy for different intentions each day.

On 13 June 2002 St Pope John Paul II decreed a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions to the faithful who, on Divine Mercy Sunday, in any church/chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for any sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (i.e. Merciful Jesus, I trust in You!).

Year of St Joseph Parish Retreat/Prayer Time will be held on Saturday 1st May after the 9.30am Mass. All are invited to attend. The retreat will be approximately two hours.

Special Collections Envelopes are provided at the back of the church for **Easter Dues** & the **Good Friday** collection for the support of Christians in the Holy Land. Please donate generously.



Thank you to Fr John McHugh & Fr Isaac McDonald for assisting Fr James during these Easter celebrations. Your pastoral care is deeply appreciated.



It is with deep regret we announce the departure from the Sacred Heart Parish Inverell of Mike & Marie Ward on 12th April 2021. Mike & Marie have been active volunteers in the parish for many years, and their generous donation of time and service will be greatly missed. To Mike & Marie,

Fr James & all parishioners wish you Godspeed and may Our Blessed Lord & Our Blessed Mother Mary bless and protect you as you continue your faith journey in QLD.

Reflection The evangelist Matthew fittingly closed his account of the Passion with the most ironic sentence in literature: "So they went and secured the tomb by fixing a seal to the stone and setting the guard." The seal was placed on the sepulchre, and a great stone was rolled in front of the door. His enemies took every precaution against fraud, but could take none against divinity. As they made their way down Calvary's hill, such thoughts as these ran through their minds: "... The impostor is dead! How wonderfully effective is a Roman death! Nothing can survive a crucifixion! He will never rise again!" Sunday morning came ... Mary walked in the garden and someone near her spoke a word, in that touching and unforgettable voice which had called her so many times: "Mary." And to this one and only word, she made an answer, a word and only one: "Rabboni." And as she fell at His knees in the dewy grass and clasped in her hands those bare feet, she saw two scars - two red-lined marks of nails, for Christ was now walking in the glory of His new Easter morn.

That was the first Easter day. Centuries have whirled away since, and on this new Easter day as I turn from that garden to the altar, I behold placed over the tabernacle, on this Resurrection day, the image, not of a Risen Saviour, but the image of a dying one, to teach me that Christ lives over again in His Church, and that the Church, like Christ, not only lives, not only dies, but always rises from the dead ... with her, as with Christ, unless there is a Good Friday in her life, there will never be an Easter Sunday; unless there is the crown of thorns, there will never be the halo of light; and unless there is the cross, there will never be the empty tomb. In other words, every now and then the Church must be crucified by an unbelieving world and buried as dead, only to rise again ... her enemies seal the tomb, roll a stone in front of her grave and say: "The Church will never rise again!" But somehow or other she proves them wrong: she does rise again. It is a strange but certain fact that the Church is never so weak as when she is powerful with the world, never so poor as when she is rich with the riches of the world; never so foolish as when she is wise with the fancies of the world. She is strongest with divine help when she is weakest with human power. When her discipline, her spirit of saintliness, her zeal for Christ, her vigils, and her mortifications become a thing of less importance, the world makes the fatal mistake of believing that her soul is dead and her faith departed. Not so! The faith, even in those days of lesser prayer, is solid, for it is the faith of the centuries: the faith of Jesus Christ. What may be weak is her discipline, her prayerfulness, and her saintliness, for these are of men, whereas her faith is of God. A renewal of spirit, then, will come not by changing her way of thinking, for that is divine, but her way of acting, for that is human. But the world, failing to make this distinction between the divine and the human in her, as it failed to make it in Christ, takes her for dead. To the world, her very life seems spent; her heart pierced, her body drained; in its eyes she is just as dead as the Master when taken down from the cross, and there is nothing left to do but lay her in the sepulchre. Once more a great stone is rolled before her tomb; the official seal of death placed upon it, the watch set; but as they watch, saintliness comes back, Christ stirs in Peter's bark, and at the very moment men are saying she is dead, she is seen walking in the glory of her new Easter morn.

Servant of God, Archbishop Fulton J Sheen

ROSTER	3Apr-Sat 6pm	4Apr-Sun 9am	10Apr-Sat 6pm	11Apr-Sun 9am
GREETERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
PROJECTOR	N TURNER	P GIRLE	J KELLY	R MCGREGOR
READERS	J TURNER	J HARRIS	N TURNER	D HANNIGAN
COMMENTATOR	J KELLY	R LONG	P ARMSTRONG	M ROBINSON
COMMUNION MINISTER	VOLUNTEER	MJ GUEST	J MONIE	J RAINGER
Suspended Ministries	GIFTS, ALTAR SERVERS, MUSIC MINISTRY, MORNING TEA			
COUNTERS	B BALDWIN & G GARDNER			J FRATER & D HANNIGAN