

While He was speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and He said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And He allowed no one to go with Him except Peter and James and John the brother of James.

So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at Him. So He turned them all out and, taking with Him the child's father and mother and His own companions, He went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand He said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'Little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and He ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

◆ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Communion Antiphon:** Bless the Lord, O my soul, all within me, His holy name.

**Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible**



**A reflection by the Venerable Servant of God, Archbishop Fulton J Sheen**

Our Lord worked many miracles and here are some of the characteristics about them. He worked them as signs to convince men of the fact that He who came to work these miracles was the One who was promised. He never worked a miracle to amaze a multitude. He never worked a miracle to satisfy His hunger or thirst. He never worked a miracle to obtain a living. He never received money for the things which He accomplished. He refused to convert the stones of the wilderness into bread to satisfy His own hunger or to cause water to gush out of a rock to slake His thirst; instead, He asked a woman to let down her bucket to give Him a drink.

Our Lord explained why He worked miracles. He said, If I act like the Son of My Father, then let My actions convince you where I cannot so you will recognise and learn to believe that the Father is in Me and I in Him. (John 10:38)

And on another occasion He said, The actions which My Father has enabled Me to achieve, those very actions which I perform, bear Me witness that it is the Father Who has sent Me. (John 5:36) If it were God's will to give a revelation, miracles would be well fitted to certify and guarantee the message as true. If a miracle occurs in connection with a word or act of a person who professes to deliver a revelation from God, the coincidence proclaims the divine approval of both the teacher and the message. The miracles were seals which God set upon His revelation of Christ as His divine Son. If Jesus shows it is by His own power He works a miracle, He proves Himself to be Lord of the universe and to be God.

Another characteristic of the recorded miracles of our blessed Lord is that there is nothing unreasonable in any of them. They were subject to the tests of everyone. The vast majority of the miracles never took place in the secret places of people's lives but in what might be called the physical world where they could be verified scientifically. Our Lord never performed a miracle unless there were witnesses present. When He healed the leper there was a great multitude following Him. In the healing of the Centurion's servant, He did not even go where the servant was dying. When He raised Peter's mother-in-law from her sick bed, the Apostles and others were present. Our Lord never went up into a mountain to perform some miracle alone with no person being present, and then come out saying He had done it. His works were accomplished before the eyes of multitudes of people, and that is why none of the miracles of our blessed Lord were ever actually denied, not even His Resurrection. The Apostles were forbidden to teach it, but the miracles were never denied.

His miracles are inseparable from His person. They differed from prophets and others since theirs were an answer to a prayer granted by a higher power. His flowed from the majestic life resident in Him. In his gospel, St. John calls them signs or works, meaning they were the sort of thing that might be expected from Him, being what He was. They were evidences of His divine revelation; they were even more for they testified to His redemptive action as the Saviour of the world. By healing the palsied, lame, and blind, Christ clothed His power with visible form to cure spiritual diseases. Physical diseases were symbols of that which was spiritual. He often passed from the physical fact of a miracle to its symbolic and spiritual meaning; for example, blindness was a symbol of blindness to the light of faith. By casting devils from those who were possessed, He pointed out His victory over the powers of evil whereby men would be freed from slavery to evil and restored to moral liberty.

If you expel miracles from the life of Christ you destroy the identity of Christ and the gospels.

(Your Life is Worth Living)



**13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B**  
**30 JUNE 2024**



**"The greater and more persistent your confidence in God, the more abundantly you will receive all that you ask."**

- St Albert the Great

**Entrance Antiphon:** All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

**First Reading** Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

**A reading from the book of Wisdom**

Death was not God's doing, He takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be - for this He created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying.

Yet God did make man imperishable, He made him in the image of His own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

◆ **The word of the Lord.**

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13

**R: I will praise You, Lord, for You have rescued me.**

1. I will praise You, Lord, You have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, You have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. **R.**

2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love Him, give thanks to His holy name. His anger lasts but a moment; His favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **R.**

3. The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me You have changed my mourning into dancing, O Lord my God, I will thank You for ever. **R.**

**Second Reading** 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**  
You always have the most of everything - of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection - so we expect you to put the most into this work

of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: He was rich, but He became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of His poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

◆ **The word of the Lord.**

**Gospel Acclamation** cf. 2 Timothy 1:10

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through His gospel. **Alleluia!**

**Gospel** Mark 5:21-43

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round Him and He stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing Him, fell at His feet and pleaded with Him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed Him; they were pressing all round Him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind Him through the crowd and touched His cloak. 'If I can touch even His clothes,' she had told herself, 'I shall be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out of Him Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched My clothes?' His disciples said to Him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round You and yet You say, "Who touched me?"' But He continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at His feet and told Him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' He said, 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'



**Sacred Heart Parish Church**  
*Roman Catholic Diocese of Armidale*  
**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B**  
**June 30th, 2024**

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**Monday 1 July & Friday 5 July - 8am to 1pm**  
**Tuesday 2 July - 8am to 12pm**  
**Administrator: Fr Paul Chandler**  
**PPC Chair: Mr David McMahon**  
**Holy Trinity Principal: Mrs Jillian Rainger**  
**Parish Secretary: Peter Turner**



**MASS INTENTIONS  
FOR THE WEEK**

**We pray for:** Repose of the souls of those in Purgatory.  
**the Recently Deceased:**  
Margaret Higgins, Dorothy (Jean) Robinson, George Sherry, Colleen Makim.  
**the sick:**  
Princess Catherine, Danielle Irwin, Sue Barwick, Bob McGuire, Robert Sanders, Peter Moroney, Christopher Pay, Jeanette Keightley, Phillip Matthews, Neville Barwick, Fr Barry Leech, Lara Bentley, Paula Lennon, Danny Dickins, Elizabeth Albany, Fr David Crabb, Rebecca Lane, Brian Barker, Clare Lockwood, Margaret Kahler, and all the sick members of our parish.

Please contact the priest on 67221103 for home visits to the homebound and the sick

**PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CLERGY AND THE PARISH**

**1st Collection: Presbytery (for support of priest)**  
BSB 082105 Account No. 001023550  
Account Name: Sacred Heart Presbytery Inverell Savings Ac.  
**2nd Collection: Church upkeep, maintenance, expenses**  
BSB 082105 Account No. 001013072  
Account Name: Sacred Heart Parish Inverell  
For those on the Planned Giving Program could you please quote your surname and envelope number for the reference.  
**Planned Giving Program:** If you wish to join the planned giving program, please contact the parish office.

**JULY - THE HOLY MONTH OF THE MOST  
PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS**

**MONDAY 1st**  
Monday of the 13th week of Ordinary Time  
**No Mass - Church open from 8am to 1pm**  
**TUESDAY 2nd**  
Tuesday of the 13th week of Ordinary Time  
**Holy Mass - 6.30am**  
**Clergy Winter School in Armidale - 10am to 3pm**  
**WEDNESDAY 3rd**  
Feast Day of St Thomas, apostle  
**Rosary - 8.30am**  
**Holy Mass - 9.00am**  
**THURSDAY 4th**  
Feast Day of St Elizabeth of Portugal  
**Rosary - 11.30am**  
**Holy Mass - 12 Noon**  
**Adoration - 12.30pm to 1.30pm**  
**FRIDAY 5th**  
**First Friday & Feast Day of St Anthony Zaccaria, priest**  
**Rosary - 8.30am**  
**Holy Mass & Adoration - 9.00am**  
**Benediction - 10.00am**  
**SATURDAY 6th (Fr Paul McCabe)**  
**First Saturday & Feast Day of St Maria Goretti, virgin, martyr**  
**Confession - 8.00am**  
**Rosary - 8.30am**  
**Holy Mass - 9.00am**  
**Rosary - 5.00pm**  
**Holy Mass of Sunday - 5.30pm**  
**SUNDAY 7th (Fr Paul McCabe)**  
**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Rosary - 8.30am**  
**Holy Mass - 9.00am**  
**OTHER MASSES: (May to August times)**  
**McLean Village** Each 4th Thursday - 10.00am  
2nd Saturday - **Bundarra**, St Mary of the Angels - 3.00pm  
3rd Saturday - **Ashford**, St Patrick's Church - 3.00pm  
4th Saturday - **Tingha**, St. Francis' Church - 3.00pm  
5th Saturday - **Yetman**, St Joseph the Worker - 2.30pm  
Baptism - Saturdays & Sundays at 10.30am  
Marriages and Funerals by Appointment

**PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES**

**A friendly reminder**

Please maintain a respectful atmosphere of reverence before and after each Mass so those praying may do so without distraction. Any conversation should be conducted quietly. Also, please remember to turn off your mobile devices.

*"By devoutly assisting at Holy Mass you render the greatest homage possible to the Sacred Humanity of Our Lord."*  
- St Leonard

**ALTAR SOCIETY ROSTER FOR JULY**

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**HOME ROSARY**



*"How beautiful is the family that recites the Rosary every evening."* - Pope St John Paul II

Bernie & Colleen Graham  
11 Diamond Street, Tingha  
**Wednesday 3 July at 4.30pm**

**UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

Men's Breakfast - Sat 13 July 2024, 8.30am, Out the Back Café  
Sunday Morning Tea - Sun 14 July 2024, after Mass  
Liturgy Committee - Sat 20 July 2024, 9.00am  
Finance Committee - Wed 31 July 2024, 5.00pm  
Pastoral Council - Wed 7 August 2024, 5.00pm  
**Peter's Pence Collection:** This weekend we will have the special collection of Peter's Pence, being the Holy Father's collection. This will be a retiring collection. Please donate generously.

**Poor Boxes:** Don't forget you can help our local Vinnies by making a donation to the Poor Boxes in the Church. Winter is an especially difficult time for the poor in our community and all donations will be used to assist them with food and blankets.

**Welcome to the Holy Church of God:** Sterling Nathaniel Tollis baptised June 22nd.

**Fr Paul** will be taking 2 weeks of annual leave from July 5th to 19th inclusive.

**Thank you** to those who have made donations to the air-conditioning project. So far, \$925 has been given. For others who may wish to contribute, you may use the Special Collection envelopes placed at the entrances of the Church or use the BSB and Account Number of the 2nd Collection. Make "air-conditioning" as the reference.

MASS ROSTER	29Jun-Sat 5.30pm	30Jun-Sun 9am	6Jul-Sat 5.30pm	7Jul-Sun 9am
<b>Projector</b>	Sr Coral	R McGregor	J Kelly	MJ Guest
<b>Readers</b>	P Armstrong & J Kelly	J Rainger & MJ Guest	S Szumowski & J Monie	B McGrath & S Hollis
<b>Commentator</b>	J Harris	M Robinson	P Mather	M Gaukroger
<b>Offertory</b>	Volunteers	M Wales & volunteer	P Armstrong & volunteer	S Kenny & volunteer
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	A Michael	M Gaukroger	J Monie	M Robinson
<b>Counters</b>		L MacDonald & P Girle		B Baldwin & J Frater



**Prayer to the Sacred Heart by St Margaret Mary Alcoque**

Lord Jesus, let my heart never rest until it finds You, Who are its centre, its love, and its happiness. By the wound in Your heart pardon the sins that I have committed whether out of malice or out of evil desires. Place my weak heart in Your Own Divine Heart, continually under Your protection and guidance, so that I may persevere in doing good and in fleeing evil until my last breath. Amen.



**First Friday & First Saturday Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

O Heart of Jesus pierced for our sins and giving us Your Mother on Calvary!  
O Heart of Mary pierced by sorrow and sharing in the sufferings of your Divine Son for our redemption! O sacred union of these Two Hearts! Praised be

the God of Love Who united them together! May we unite our hearts and every heart so that all hearts may live in unity in imitation of that sacred unity which exists in these Two Hearts. Triumph, O Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary! Reign, O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus! - in our hearts, in our homes and families, in the hearts of those who as yet do not know you, and in all nations of the world. Amen.

**Ministry Volunteers Needed!** We urge people to please consider volunteering their time to help in the various ministries of the church. If you are happy to volunteer, please add your name to the Ministry Volunteer lists at the entrances of the church to have your name immediately added to the rosters. Thank you.



**Acacia Quartet with Guest Artist Adam Wills**

Saturday 6 July, 4pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Chapel (in the Convent grounds, Bloomfield Street Gunnedah). Tickets: Adults \$37, Conc \$32, Students \$12. To book or for more information please call 6742 3998 or visit [www.gunnedahconservatorium.com.au](http://www.gunnedahconservatorium.com.au).