

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by Your altars, O Lord of Hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in Your house, for ever singing Your praises.

Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible



Evangelisation

905 Lay people also fulfill their prophetic mission by evangelisation, "that is, the proclamation of Christ by word and the testimony of life." For lay people, "this evangelisation . . . acquires a specific property and peculiar efficacy because it is accomplished in the ordinary circumstances of the world." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2nd Edition)

Each day we are given an opportunity to be witnesses for Christ, to bring more souls to Him. In our words and actions, by the way in which we live, we can give a great witness to His tremendous love and mercy. Let us be a shining example to the world. Let Christ be visible in every word we utter, in every gesture and deed we do. Let our entire life be a prayer of praise to God, so all who see us will desire to know the Christ we love, serve, and proclaim.

Food for Thought

Our life should be distinguished by virtue, being inwardly as one appears outwardly, for He Who sees the heart is God, Whom we should always reverence. We should walk in His Presence as pure as the Angels.

Every day renew your dedication to God, arousing fervent devotion in your heart as if it were the first day of your turning back to God. Pray to Him, saying: "Help me, Lord Jesus, to persevere in my good resolutions and in Your holy service till death. Help me to begin this day well, for up to now I have done nothing."

As our intention is, so will our progress be, and we have need of great diligence if we want to advance. For if those whose purpose is to do good often fall short of it, what shall the person do who seldom, if ever, makes such a resolution?

Let us then make up our minds to do the best we can; even so our good intention may be hindered in various ways, such as the omission of a good exercise for a slight reason. It is seldom that such willful omission can be recovered without spiritual loss.

The resolution of devout persons depends more on the grace of God than on their own wisdom. For human beings propose, but God disposes.

(Imitation of Christ, Thomas à Kempis)

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

If our passionate quest of God's cause makes us disliked by men, we cannot say we were not warned by Him Who was hated first. 'If the world hate you, know ye that it has hated Me before you. If you had been of the world, the world would love its own: but because you are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hates you....If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you ... that the word may be fulfilled which was written in their law: They hated Me without cause' (John 15 -20, 25). Apostles of Christ, then, will never be popular. Their end is crucifixion.

And yet we must thirst for justice and be on fire for the kingdom of God. And why? Because everything that is good diffuses itself. The sun is good, and it diffuses itself in light and heat; the flower is good, and it diffuses itself in perfume; the animal is good, and it diffuses itself in the generation of its kind; man is good, and he diffuses himself in the communication of thought. A Christian is good, and must therefore diffuse his Christianity, throw sparks from the flame of His love, enkindle fires in the inflammable hearts of men and speak of his Lover because He is Love, for 'out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh' (Matthew 12:34).

Strong love makes strong actions, and the measure of our zeal in bringing souls to the feet of Christ is the measure of our love of Him.

Converting souls to Christ, then, is based not on the pride of propaganda, but on a desire for perfection. An apostle desires to bring men and women to Our Lord, not for the same reason a businessman wishes to increase his trade.

The businessman advertises to increase his profits; the Christian propagandises to increase the happiness of others. He wants to bring souls to Our Lord for the same reason he wants to see the sun shine, the flowers bloom, and lambs grow into sheep – because it is their perfection and therefore their happiness.

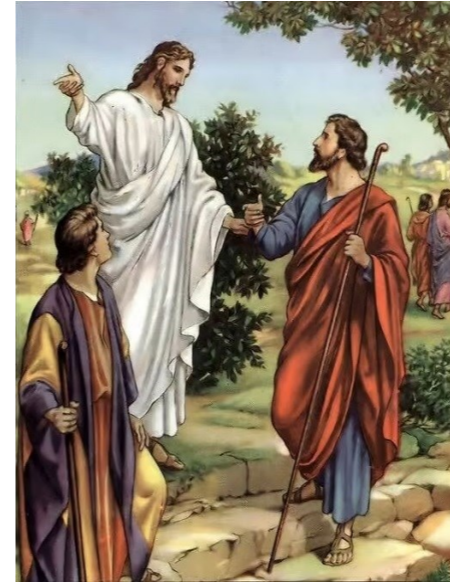
If a pencil is made for writing, we do not want to see it used for digging; if a bird is made for flying, we do not want to see it change places with the mole; if a soul is made for the fullness of life, we do not want to see it clips its wings and wallow in hatred, half-truths, and marred loveliness. We want to see it united with its perfection, which is the life and truth and love and beauty of God.

That is why a Christian soul is apostolic – it loves perfection, wholeness, completeness, happiness: God. And therefore it wants everyone to be Godlike and Godward.

(The Cries of Jesus from the Cross)



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 14 JULY 2024



**“Remember that the Christian life is one of action; not of speech and daydreams. Let there be few words and many deeds, and let them be done well.”
- St Vincent Pallotti**

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold Your face; I shall be filled with the vision of Your glory.

First Reading Amos 7:12-15

A reading from the prophet Amos

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer, get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah. 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord Who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord Who said, "Go, prophesy to My people Israel."'

◆ **The word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14

R: Lord, show us Your mercy and love, and grant us Your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for His people. His help is near for those who fear Him and His glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before Him and peace shall follow His steps. **R.**

Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.

Before the world was made, He chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in His presence, determining that we should become His adopted sons, through Jesus Christ, for His own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of His grace, His free gift to us in the Beloved, in Whom, through His blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which He has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of His purpose, the hidden plan He so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that He would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

And it is in Him that we were claimed as God's own chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the One Who guides all things as He decides by His own will; chosen to be, for His greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before He came. Now you too, in Him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you too have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for His own, to make His glory praised.

◆ **The word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation cf. Eph 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. **Alleluia!**

Gospel Mark 6:7-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And He instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff - no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, He added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And He said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance: and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

◆ **The Gospel of the Lord.**



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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

July 14th, 2024

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Administrator: Fr Paul Chandler
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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

We pray for: Repose of the souls of: Bishop Patrick Joseph O'Connor, 3rd Bishop of Armidale 1904-1932; all those in Purgatory.

the Recently Deceased:

Annie Ledger, Paula Lennon, Margaret Higgins.

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, 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 15th

Feast Day of St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor

No Mass - Church open from 8am to 1pm

TUESDAY 16th

Feast Day of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

No Mass - Church open from 8am to 12pm

WEDNESDAY 17th

Wednesday of the 15th week of Ordinary Time

No Mass - Church open from 4pm to 5pm

THURSDAY 18th

Thursday of the 15th week of Ordinary Time

No Mass - Church open from 4pm to 5pm

FRIDAY 19th

Friday of the 15th week of Ordinary Time

No Mass - Church open from 8am to 1pm

SATURDAY 20th

Feast Day of St Apollinaris, bishop, martyr

Holy Mass of Sunday - 3.00pm at Ashford

Rosary - 5.00pm

Holy Mass of Sunday - 5.30pm

SUNDAY 21st

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rosary - 8.30am

Holy Mass - 9.00am

Sacrament of Confession

Sunday: 8.00am to 8.30am

Saturday: 4.45pm to 5.15pm

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

A New Hymn

During July our parish we will be learning a new hymn called "Jesus in Your Heart We Find". It is hoped that this will complement our Parish Prayer and become our Parish Hymn.

The words of the hymn were written by James McAuley, a famous Australian poet, academic and journalist who converted to Catholicism in 1952, the faith his own father had abandoned, following an intense spiritual experience at a Catholic mission in New Guinea.

Richard Connolly composed the music of the hymn and he became great friends with McAuley, being his confirmation sponsor at St Charles' Parish, Ryde, in Sydney. The two subsequently collaborated to produce between them the most significant collection of Australian Catholic hymnody to date, titled "Hymns for the Year of Grace".

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

Volunteer

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 17 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



Sea Sunday, being the second Sunday in July, is the day on which the Catholic Church particularly prays for all seafarers and their families and give thanks for their lives and work.

Known to seafarers around the world as **Stella Maris**, the Apostleship of the Sea ministry is an apostolic work of the Catholic Church that cares for the

spiritual, social and material welfare of all seafarers regardless of colour, race or creed. Parishioners who wish to support this Catholic ministry may make a tax-deductible donation through the organisation's website www.stellamarisaustralia.org.

The Apostleship of the Sea Prayer

Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy upon all Seafarers.

(Say one Our Father and one Hail Mary)

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for us. St Peter, pray for us.

St Andrew, pray for us. Lord save us, or we perish. Amen.

MASS ROSTER	13Jul-Sat 5.30pm	14Jul-Sun 9am	20Jul-Sat 5.30pm	21Jul-Sun 9am
Projector	S Szumowski	H Rossel	N Turner	P Girle
Readers	M Casey-Ransom & P Mather	D McMahon & M Robinson	N McCosker & S O'Brien	J Thivakon & MJ Guest
Commentator	J Kelly	MJ Guest	P Armstrong	J Monie
Offertory	Volunteers	Guest Family	J Kelly & volunteer	Volunteers
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	M Gaukroger	S Hollis	A Michael	MJ Guest
Counters		G Chie & G Fleming		N Turner & P Armstrong

Prayer to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus

Precious Blood, ocean of divine mercy: Flow upon us!
 Precious Blood, most pure offering: Procure us every grace!
 Precious Blood, hope and refuge of sinners: Atone for us!
 Precious Blood, delight of holy souls: Draw us! Amen.
(St Catherine of Siena)



Flos Carmeli ("The Flower of Carmel")

Prayer to Our Lady of Mount Carmel

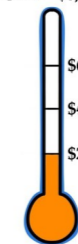
O Most Beautiful Flower of Carmel, most fruitful vine, splendour of Heaven, holy and singular, who brought forth the Son of God, still ever remaining a Pure Virgin, assist me in this necessity. O Star of the Sea, help and

protect me! Show me that thou art my Mother.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succour me in this my necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. O show me that you are my Mother.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee! Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands. Mother and Ornament of Carmel, pray for us. Virgin, Flower of Carmel, pray for us. Patroness of all who wear the Scapular, pray for us. Hope of all who die wearing the Scapular, pray for us. O sweet Heart of Mary, be my Salvation. Amen. *(St Simon Stock)*

GOAL—\$8,000



Thank you to those who have made donations to the air-conditioning project. 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.

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.

We welcome Fr John McHugh who will be celebrating Mass for us this weekend during Fr Paul Chandler's absence.

Morning Tea will be held after the 9am Mass this Sunday. All are welcome to attend.