

PARISH DIARY



Saturday 5 TH OCT	5pm, Mass, Nambucca Note: Speak to Fr Alex if Reconciliation is required after mass
Sunday 6 TH OCT	8am Mass, Macksville 9:30am Mass, Bowraville

NEW ROSTERS—Oct to Dec

The rosters have been completed for the remainder of the year and will be available from this weekend at mass. If you have been inadvertently left off the roster and would like to be included next year please let the Parish Office know. Similarly if you would like to be removed next year let us know. If you are unavailable when rostered please arrange to swap or substitute. Thank you all for your ongoing support.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Fr. Peter will be on annual leave from Sunday 29th Sep (after mass) to Fri 13th Dec 2024. During this time there will be no weekday masses. Fr. Alex from Lismore will travel down every weekend to celebrate weekend masses as per our usual schedule.

For emergency's and funerals our Parish will be supported by Coffs Harbour priests.

In Fr Peter's absence all correspondence should be directed to the Parish Office

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Catholic Parish of the Nambucca Valley

Corpus Christi, Bowraville

St Patrick's, Macksville

Our Lady Star of the Sea, Nambucca Heads

Christ the King, Taylors Arm

26th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Yr B
29th Sep 2024

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Working together for God

A flock of geese flying in formation is a beautiful sight. Scientists who have researched why they fly in a V-formation have discovered some fascinating details. First, it conserves their energy. Each bird flies slightly higher than the bird in front of it. This decreases wind resistance for each bird. Second, the geese take turns at being the leader and fall back in the group when they get tired. This enables them to fly for a long time before they need to stop for a rest. The tired geese support the group from behind and recharge themselves as they fly at a slower speed. Third, the V-formation enables them to keep track of every bird in the group, and to communicate and coordinate with the group. In fact, research has also discovered that flying in formation is so beneficial that other birds such as ducks, ibis, swans, seagulls, pelicans, and flamingos also fly in formation. Valuing the initiative and contribution of each person at different points in their journey and drawing the best from each member in the group are also important tenets in faith communities. In this week's gospel, Jesus discourages the disciples from preventing a man from working a miracle in his name. Jesus tells them, "You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us". Jesus thus redirects the disciples' initial focus on excluding those who may not be in their immediate circle, to emphasising the commitment to doing the will of God: healing, teaching, and proclaiming the good news that God's love is available to everyone.

Today, we are called to embrace diversity amongst the faithful and to appreciate that the variety of our gifts and talents nourishes and enriches the entire community. Jesus speaks with great tenderness of everyone who acts in faith and good will, calling them his "little ones". He encourages us to be generous and to not exclude anyone from whole-hearted and loving service of God. The community in Taizé, Saône-et-Loire, Burgundy, France is a modern example of a community of faith which embraces diversity. When Brother Roger founded the community towards the end of World War Two, it initially sheltered war refugees. Taizé is now renowned for being an ecumenical community of brothers, who have created beautiful music and work for peace and justice. Currently, it comprises eighty brothers from Catholic, Anglican, Protestant traditions, from nearly thirty countries.

Please note change in Parish office hours starting 7th Oct.



NEW HOURS

Tuesday: 8:30am—4pm

Wednesday: 8:30am—4pm

Thursday: 8:30am—4pm

Ministry Roster 5th & 6th Oct 2024

(**NH:** Nambucca Heads; **M:** Macksville; **B:** Bowraville)

Commentator:	NH: M Harris	M: Z White	B: C Doolan
Reader:	NH: S Bolton	M: C Cresswell	B: M Dal Santo
Ex Minister of Holy Communion:	NH: J Ingold	M: L Mcleod	
Procession of Gifts:	NH: L & R McGuigan	M: S Allan & S Nebauer	
Sacristan:	NH: M Tait	M: M Henry	
Altar Servers:	NH: A Smith, T Nguyen & K Soutter		

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Brother Matthew, the current prior, penned a beautiful prayer recently which describes this spirit of diversity in service:

God the Creator, all that comes from your hands is good. Help us to discern your presence in the beauty of your creation, and to rejoice that we are a part of it. May your light shine on every corner of this earth and on every creature with which we share our common home.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (or hymn)

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING

Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look', he said, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 18:8. 10. 12-14 R.v.9

(R.) The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple **(R.)**
2. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just **(R.)**
3. So in them your servant finds instructions; great reward is in their keeping. But who can detect all his errors? From hidden faults acquit me **(R.)**
4. From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me. Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

JAMES 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JOHN 17:7

Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf Psalm 118:49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

CHANGES TO DIRECT DEBIT ACCOUNT: We have opened a **NEW** bank account for the Parish at NAB Macksville. **1st Collection (Clergy Fund) - STILL CBA—no change**

BSB: 062 568 Account Number: 2800 1766

Account Name : Catholic Parish of Nambucca Valley

2nd Collection (Parish Fund) NAB - NEW account

BSB: 082 356 Account Number: 8053 84996

Account Name: Catholic Parish of Nambucca Valley

FOLLOWING THE MISSAL:

NEXT WEEK (27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B)

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Alena Fowler, Jim Hallam

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Margaret Smith, Maxwell Dunbar, Jim Gosson, Eileen & Fred Ryan, Mary & Greg Holten

WE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Nola Ryce, Arturo, Brian Rowsell



The Catholic Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contacted if you have any Safeguarding concerns. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss options you have available to you. Contact the Safeguarding Office: Phone 02 6621 9444 or email safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au