

PARISH DIARY



Saturday
23RD NOV 5pm, Mass, Nambucca

Sunday
24TH NOV 8am Mass, Macksville
9:30am Mass, Bowraville

Happy 80th Birthday to John Nebauer! May God bless you with joy, peace, and love today and



always. Thank you for your faith and kindness and all you do for our Parish Community. Enjoy your special day.

Fr Peter sends you

birthday wishes from India!

THANK YOU



Thank you to the generous parishioner who donated a new microphone to Our Lady Star of the Sea Church. Your kindness enhances our worship and helps us share God's Word more clearly. We are truly grateful!



REMINDER: Nambucca Valley Parish Christmas Lunch will be held on Sunday the 1st December at Nambucca RSL

All are welcome, and it's a lovely chance to catch up with other parishioners across all the churches in the Valley!

Please RSVP by 27th Nov and payment can be made to the following people:

Nambucca: May Harris

Macksville: Mary Henry

Bowraville: Sheree Foley



Christmas Raffle Time is nearly here, tickets will soon be available.

Christmas Mass Times are being confirmed and will be communicated in the next Bulletin.



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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
17th Nov 2024

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The passing of time

Next week, we will bring this liturgical year (Year B/Mark's Gospel) to an end, with the celebration of the Feast of Christ the King. Another year has passed. It's a fitting moment then to think about the passing of time and, indeed, of the end time and the passing away of the world. So, in our last reading for this year from the Gospel of Mark, he writes about the end time. He knows, at the time of his writing, that his audience is suffering oppression and persecution and is thinking and expecting the end time is nigh. He writes to comfort and assure them. The Book of Daniel, from which the first reading comes, is an influential apocalyptic writing from the Old Testament, well known among the Jews at this time. It tells of the oppression and persecution of the Jewish people in earlier times. In it the prophet Daniel proclaims the resurrection of the dead: "Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever." In his gospel, Mark writes about the end time in similarly apocalyptic terms that his listeners will understand. He recalls Jesus teaching his disciples that the things of this world and indeed time itself will pass away. "Heaven and earth will pass away," Jesus teaches, "but my words will not pass away." As for when this will happen, Jesus tells the parable of the fig tree. When the fig tree puts forth its new leaves, we know that summer is approaching. In other words, watch for the signs of the times. Not even Jesus knows – only the Father – when that time will be, but there is no doubting that an end time will come. There is also no doubting that God's designs will not be thwarted and that the reign of God will triumph. But Mark's point is that, before the end time, the gospel must be preached to the whole world. This indeed is our time and our mission. We, like the Christians for whom Mark wrote his gospel, live in the in-between time, the time between the time of Jesus and the end time. For us, as for them, this is a time for preaching and spreading the good news of the kingdom. St Francis of Assisi urged his followers, "Preach always," adding, "and, if necessary, use words." We, as disciples of Jesus, are called to preach the good news of Jesus, to take the good news of God's abundant and steadfast love to every part of the world in which we live. We too must preach always in our actions first and foremost, in love of neighbour, compassion for the broken-hearted, care for the marginalised, and concern for those in need. Let our actions speak every day!

Ministry Roster 23rd & 24th Nov

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

Commentator:	NH: M Soutter	M: S Allan	B: N Slingsby
Reader:	NH: M Tait	M: J Miles	B: M Dal Santo
Ex Minister of Holy Communion:	NH: J Ryan	M: H Murphy	
Procession of Gifts:	NH: S & W Bolton	M: U Goodwin & M Howle	
Sacristan:	NH: J Ingold	M: S Nebauer	
Altar Servers:	NH: T Nguyen, T Nguyen		

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

Jeremiah 29:11, 12, 14

FIRST READING

Daniel 12:1-3

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

(R.) Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.

1. Oh Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **(R.)**
2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. **(R.)**
3. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

LUKE 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful, and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven. 'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Psalm 72:28

Month of Praying for Holy Souls

Relatives of Paul & Jan Richards, Harris, Aston, Lumsden & Campbell Families, Edith, Jack, Leonard Snr. Maree and Katherine Cullen. Jack, Agnes, Florence and Herbert Cassidy. Bruce, Mary Spence and Families. Emilia & Mieczyslaw Szewczyk, Jarrets, Davis, Marshall, Buchanan, Bellwood Rd Koories, Quiggins, Waddis, Flanders, Kelly, Edwards, Donovan Families, Indigenous people of the world, Brennan, Bill Bolton, John Bolton, Fr Crowley, Fr Galavan, Pod & Dorrie Clough, John Clough, Paul Clough, Harry & Norma Clough, Craig Clough, Irene McFadyen, Gordon McFadyen, Kath Darlington, McMorrine, Goodwin & Bolton Families, Edward Aldridge, Shayne Aldridge, Yorke & Cassin Families, Bailey, Mynett & Eyre Families, Merve & Joan Smith, Julie Carr, Leif Ingold, Laurie, Russell & Toddy Smith, Jim & Addy Armstrong, Jack & Joan Ingold, John Ingold, Diane & Mick Piper, Charlie Day, Harold Day, Betty Ingold, Doreen Bell, Australia soldiers killed (Afghanistan), Aus Men/Women Died of PTSD, Irene & Doug Dalton, Betty & Paul Polglaser, Steve Merry, Bob Aoul, Beryl & Earn Keys, James & Patricia Murphy, Dot & Bren Chaseling, Joyce & Keith Davis, Paul Newman, Jerry Barber, Marie & Dave Dalton, Diana Spencer, John Sheedy, Denis & Stephanie Dalton, Anne & Joe Smith, Nola Scott, Richard Widmark, Eric Rowsell, Ken Wright, Bert & Lee Sayers, Sheila & Derek Cunningham, May & Bill Dalton, Trish Boccanfuso, Kathy Howley, Ron Lapin, Dalton families, Murphy Families, Whitney Houston & Bobby. Anne-Marie Pearce, Ursula Barnes, David & Ryan Goswell, Carol, Glover, Latham Family & Friends, Clough & Hoffman families, Keith & Thelma Jackson, Roy & Eileen Unterrheiner, Harold & Veronica Black, Black & Bischoff Families, Brendan & Hilda Noonan, Jack & Kathleen Dal Santo, Frieda & Jack Keaton, Joan Keaton, Ella White, Ernie & Paul Thorne, O'Dwyer & Howle Families

Note: Please write names as clearly as possible on envelopes and contact the office in the case of spelling errors.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Joan Frew, Peter Moroney, Margaret Wisemantle

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Veronica Black, Len Smith, Val Ryan, Martin Howle, Kevin Cassin

WE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Jim Hallam, Denise Robinson, Emily Frew (Canada), Leo Yorke, Tommy Harris
We pray for all deceased friends & family members and members of our parish community throughout the month of November.



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