


PARISH DIARY	
Saturday 30TH NOV	5pm, Mass, Nambucca
Sunday 1ST DEC	8am Mass, Macksville 9:30am Mass, Bowraville

Happy 50th Birthday to Angela Argent.



May God bless you with joy, peace, and love today and always. Wishing you a wonderful year ahead!

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

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24th Nov 2024

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2024 CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

4th Sunday of Advent

Saturday 21st December:
 4:30pm Reconciliation, Nambucca
 5:00pm Mass, Nambucca

Sunday 22nd December:
 8am Mass, Macksville
 9:30am Mass, Bowraville

Christmas Eve

Tuesday 24th December:
 5:00pm Mass, Nambucca
 7:00pm Mass, Macksville

Christmas Day


Wednesday 25th December
 8:00am Mass, Bowraville
 9:30am Mass, Nambucca

Reconciliation

will be held on Thursday 19th December at Macksville ahead of Christmas from 4pm—6pm



Josephite Calendars 2024




Orders are now being taken for the beautiful calendars **\$10 each** Please Contact Anne-Maree on 0408 683 162

Orders close 8th December

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office be closed Tues 26th Nov due to a planned power outage. It will be open **Wed, Thurs and Friday** for next week only.



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A kingdom of justice, love and peace

What is the Kingdom of God? Gerald Darring, a retired high school and college teacher of theology, explains it this way: "The Kingdom of God is a space. It exists in every home where parents and children love each other. It exists in every region and country that cares for its weak and vulnerable. It exists in every parish that reaches out to the needy. The Kingdom of God is a time. It happens whenever someone feeds a hungry person, or shelters a homeless person, or shows care to a neglected person. It happens whenever we overturn an unjust law, or correct an injustice, or avert a war. It happens whenever people join in the struggle to overcome poverty, to erase ignorance, to pass on the faith. The Kingdom of God is in the past (in the life and work of Jesus of Nazareth); it is in the present (in the work of the Church and in the efforts of many others to create a world of goodness and justice); it is in the future (reaching its completion in the age to come). The Kingdom of God is a condition. Its symptoms are love, justice, and peace." The Kingdom of God, God's Reign in the world, is Jesus' central and urgent message. In proclaiming the Kingdom, Jesus announces that a new age has come and that the Reign of God is near – underway, but not yet complete. Jesus' proclamation of the Kingdom was so counter-cultural to those who heard him and witnessed his works that he was put to death on a cross. Jesus' Kingship is a reversal of the Kingship of empire building. Instead of striving for power, prestige and privilege, Jesus seeks out 'excluded' or 'forgotten' people – for example, the leper, the adulteress, the sinner, the blind, the lame, and the Samaritan; people who were oppressed, put down, voiceless and seen to be worthless in the dominant culture of power, control and position. Jesus turns the lives of these 'little ones' around, loves them into life, and sets them on new paths of living, loving and relating. In our time, who are the 'excluded' and 'forgotten', the demonised and condemned, the oppressed and abandoned, whom we are called to love into life? Called to love into life with love that affirms their dignity, love that breaks down the barriers of discrimination, love that heals and comforts, and love that is practical and hands on. This week's Mass Preface describes Christ's Kingdom as one of "truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice, love and peace." Such a Kingdom is not some 'pie in the sky' ideal or utopian dream.

Ministry Roster 30th Nov & 1st Dec
 (NH: Nambucca Heads; M: Macksville; B: Bowraville)

Commentator:	NH: S Dwart	M: N Allan	B: C Doolan
Reader:	NH: S Bolton	M: J Hasson	B: S McNally
Ex Minister of Holy Communion:	NH: J Ingold	M: P Wolf	
Procession of Gifts:	NH: B Hannaford, M Tait	M: M Henry, J Lennon	
Sacristan:	NH: M Dwart	M: S Nebauer	
Altar Servers:	NH: A Smith, K Soutter		

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The Kingdom is a reality which may have small beginnings but has the potential to change the world and the way we live. And each of us has a role to play to bring about this reality wherever and with whom we find ourselves.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Revelation 5:12, 1:6

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

Daniel 7:13-14

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire be destroyed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 92:1-2.5. R.v.1

(R.) The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. **(R.)**
2. The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **(R.)**
3. Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Revelation 1:5-8

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

MARK 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 18:33-37

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Psalm 28:10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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. Ted & Muriel Metz, Shirley Metz, Maria Metz, Elaine Metz. Harry Foxley, Matthew Pisan, John & Erica Foxley, Betty Foxley, Julia Hassan, Roy Hassan.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Joan Frew, Peter Moroney, Margaret Wisemantle

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Val Ryan, Martin Howle, Kevin Cassin, Mark Schadel, George Schadel

WE PRAY FOR THE RECEINTLY 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.

