

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



Mary said to the servants: "Do whatever He tells you" John 2:5

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MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) 5pm

Sunday 9:30am

Monday 8am

Tuesday 10am

Wednesday 8:00am

Thursday 5:30pm

Holy Hour 4:30pm

Friday 8am

Saturday 8am

Anointing of the sick Mass 10am

2nd Tues of Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec

Reconciliation

Thurs during Holy Hour 4:45 - 5:15pm

Sat 4:30 to 4:55pm before Vigil

Sun 9 to 9.25am

Or anytime, just ask Fr

Baptism and Marriage By appointment

Working Bee Sat 9.00am to 11am



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - YEAR A

4/06/2023

First reading

Exodus 34:4-6,8-9

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.'

And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

Responsorial Psalm

Daniel 3:52-56

Glory and praise for ever!

Second reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Gospel Acclamation

cf Revelation 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 3:16-18

Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

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Prayers of the Faithfull:

For our sick, Fr Terry Mardie, Kathleen Horsfall, Lynne Brink, Pauline Pasco, Richard Drum, Lorie McLennan, John Carthew, Tony Abikhair, Fr Reece Beltrame, Peter Tydeman, Ray Byrnes, Graeme Murphy, Greg Baker, Gwen Abikhair and Jackson Davis.

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

For our recently departed, Lorna Miller, Debbie Davis, Christine Hassell, Joan McCauley, John McCormack, John Dunne and those who's anniversaries occur at this time.

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

Gal 4: 6

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

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ANNIVERSARIES

Russel McIntosh, Jack Love, Murray McCook, Brian McPherson, Jack Fowles, Alex Blair and Matilde Vickery.

Readers: Sat: 5:00pm Peter Tobin Sun: 9:30am Simon Horsfall

Next week: Sat: 5:00pm Paul Whyte Sun: 9:30am Steve McCrohan

Cleaning Roster: Sat 10th June Lauren Murphy & Aoifa Brogan



PARISH COUNCIL

Sandy Zeromski (Sec)

Denis Golden

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PARISH NOTICES

Parish Sacramental Programme:

Will commence with preparations for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday 6th June at 3:45pm till 5:00pm in the Parish Centre and continuing for another two (2) weeks after that with the Sacrament itself being celebrated on June the 27th at 4pm. If you have any children in Year 2 or older who have not yet received the Sacrament and you would like them to do so, please bring them along. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a pre-requisite for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion commencing at the end of July, 2023.

Your help in notifying other families who may not see this notice is greatly appreciated.

Catechists:

Due to the unavailability of some of our regular volunteers we once again **urgently** need Catechists for Thurgoona Public School. Contact Fr Anthony on 02 6088 6222 if you can help with this important work.

St Vincent de Paul 2023 Winter Appeal :

The funds raised will be vitally important to alleviate the pressure so many people are facing in their daily lives. Donation envelopes in the foyer.

Philippine Independence Day Mass: Saturday, 10 June 12 noon St. Patrick's Church followed by fellowship at the Parish Hall. Please bring a plate.

All Filipinos and Australian friends are invited. MACE Sisters – 0402 090 438

THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

The feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be celebrated on Saturday the 17th June. Because the Immaculate Heart of Mary is our patron, it is a solemnity for our parish. A solemnity is a feast day of the highest rank. The Immaculate Heart of Mary is a devotion that honours the heart of Mary who was pure and immaculate and a model of holiness. She was chosen by God to be the mother of our saviour Jesus. The devotion provides a way for us to unite ourselves to God through Mary's extraordinary love for her son Jesus. Because she was sinless, she is able to love God perfectly.

The origins of the devotion can be traced back to the Middle Ages, but it was not until the 17th century that it began to gain popularity. In 1648, Saint John Eudes, a French priest, established the first congregation dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. He also wrote extensively about the devotion and encouraged others to promote it. In the 19th century, the devotion gained even more popularity due to the visions of Saint Catherine Labouré, a French nun. Catherine received a vision of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, surrounded by rays of light and encircled by the words "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee." This vision became the basis for the Miraculous Medal, a medal that bears the image of the Immaculate Heart of Mary on one side and the image of Saint Catherine on the other. In the early



20th century, the devotion was further promoted by the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal. In 1917, three young shepherd children received messages from Mary, urging people to pray for peace and to make sacrifices for the conversion of sinners. Mary also revealed her Immaculate Heart to the children and asked that the world be consecrated to it.

Today, the devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary remains an important part of Catholic spirituality. It is celebrated on the Saturday after the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and the month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The devotion is often associated with Marian consecration, a practice of dedicating oneself to Mary and asking for her intercession and guidance in living a holy life. A life-sized statue of The Immaculate Heart of Mary of Mary is in the church on the left of the Altar to honour her as patroness of the parish. It was donated by the Marist Mission House in Melbourne when it closed. See ourparish.au/parish-history

SAVE CALVARY HOSPITAL

Update on the imminent legislation to take over Calvary Hospital.

The *Canberra Times* reported that Prime Minister Anthony Albanese has echoed the ACT Government's line that the takeover was about expanding public hospital service and not about setting a precedent for governments to force faith-based institutions they don't agree with out of business. He went on to say that "the provision of services by Catholic and other faith-based entities in health, aged care, education, childcare, welfare and other areas is an important part of Australia's social infrastructure." While the Prime Minister's words of support are helpful, they're insufficient to alleviate concerns that religious freedom will continue to be eroded by the states and undefended by the Commonwealth. It is important that the PM hears your concerns. Please take two minutes to send an email to the Prime Minister and ask him to ensure that what is happening to Calvary is not going to happen across Australia. This is a bigger issue than Calvary.



If the ACT Government can do this to a Catholic hospital, then what is to stop them or any other government doing it to a Catholic school or nursing home? Legislation to safeguard against religious discrimination has been promised by both major parties for years but nothing has happened. Please join me in asking the Prime Minister to ensure that other governments around Australia who might feel emboldened by what the ACT Government is doing will not be able to just tear contracts up and remove faith-based operators from public institutions. The Church has been healing, educating and caring for people in this country for more than two centuries. All we want is for governments to let us keep doing it.

Archbishop Christopher Prowse

Use this link to email the PM. pm.gov.au/contact-your-pm

Please also sign the petition to save calvary hospital. savecalvary.com.au