

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Year C



3 & 4 September

Sunday 4th September

*St Mary's Echuca
Congratulates
those who celebrate
Confirmation
and First Eucharist
this weekend.*

Jayden Berryman
Ryan Berryman
Ruby Brentnall
Maisy Byrne
Charlie Byrne
Luis Dorupa
Elizabeth Galati
Audrey Giorgianni

Liam Gronow
Darcy Irwin
Jett Lia

Summer Lia
Connor McCoy

Sam O'Brien-Leitao

Evie Ritchie

Abbey Stobaus

Violet Thomas

Sebastian Valenzuela

Darcy Weeks

Sienna Westblade

D'Arcy Whyte

Oliver Williams

Saturday 3rd September

Patrick Barry

Riley Carr

Claire Colturi

Amelia D'Angri

Matilda Cameron

Darby Jones

Jamison McFadden

Anastasia McLindon

Henry Reinehr

Samantha Serpell

Zach Swinton

*We acknowledge the
Yorta Yorta and
Bangerang people,
the
traditional owners
and
custodians of this
country.
We pay our
respects to their elders
past and present for
their care of the
land.*

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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 8.00am & 10am

Masses this week

Tuesday
6pm

Wednesday
12 noon

Thursday
9.15am

St Mary's School

Friday
9.15am St Joseph's Chapel

St Mary's Parish Echuca

NOTICES

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"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:33



When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

Ros's Parish Family Group will have lunch on **Thursday 15 September at 12 noon** at the Echuca Hotel
RSVP Maree McMurto 0439 987281 or Marg Oman 5482 1303.

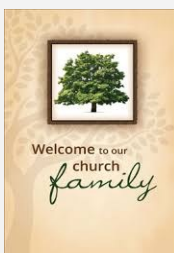
FATHERS' DAY SPECIAL COLLECTION will be taken up at all Masses this weekend for the support of the retired priests of our Diocese. The Retired Priests Foundation seeks your generosity in giving to this collection. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible. Those requiring receipts of donations over \$10, please use the envelopes provided. Thank you for your contributions and prayers.

ADORATION OF THE Blessed Sacrament for Vocations". Next **Wednesday 7th September**. Commencing 10.30am. Rosary for Priests at 11.30am before Middy Mass.

Welcome new Parishioners

After 10am Mass on September 11th there will be a Special Morning Tea to welcome new parishioners—please bring a plate to share.

We are seeking people to be welcoming and to be buddies to new families/people. If you are interested please contact Christine Sebire (0411 627 645) or Jacinta Bolton (0408 007 268).



A Prayer for the Fathers in Our Lives

We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives, and those who often take the place of absent fathers: grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins, teachers, pastors, coaches and mentors. We remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways, both big and small, they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

Fatherhood does not come with a manual, and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others stumble. We ask for your blessings for them all and forgiveness where it is needed.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting. Give them the strength to do well by their children.

In your holy name, O God, we pray. Amen.

World Day of Prayer

Care for Creation

"O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, who are so precious in your eyes. God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth" (ibid.,246), God of mercy, may we receive your forgiveness



Would the person who has the toilet key from the sacristy please return ASAP?

Others are waiting!!



Next Come and See Mass
St Mary's School Auditorium
5pm Sunday 18th September

Stewardship Program

August 28 & 29

Support of the Parish: \$936.85
Loose: \$202.35

RECONCILIATION 10.00 to 10.30 am next Saturday

10 & 11 September

Altar Servers:

6.00pm Josh D'Angri, Vincent McLindon & Tighe Cole

10.00am Archer & Dermott Ritchie & Meg Alberni

Commentators:

6.00pm Andrew Sebire

8.00am Mal Whyte

10.00am Cecilia Merrigan

Lectors:

6.00pm Christine Sebire, Mary Marwood

8.00am Margaret Duffy

10.00am Michelle Shingles, Win Lavery

Eucharistic Ministers:

6.00pm Barb Smith, Collette Porter, Prue Galea

8.00am Nancy Goldrick, Leanne Roberts, Ros Pellegrino

10.00am Julie Moyle, Julie Ritchie, Mel Slattery, Kirrilee Westblade, Cecilia Merrigan

Setting up for Mass:

6.00pm Rose Quinn

8.00am Margaret Oman

10.00am Julie Moyle

Altar Society

Mary Atkins, Julie Moyle, Leanne Quinn

Glanville Communion

Gabrielle Barrette

Wharparilla Communion

Maureen Baker & Laurice Murphy

Bupa Communion

Colleen Edwards, Vince Connellan, John Dignan

Home Communion

J & J Moyle

Hospital Visiting-12 September

Sr Cletus Dullard

Proof Reader-9 Sept - (Thurs)

Chloris Dignan

Counting -12 September

Brendan Shingles, Andrew Kennedy

Peter Davey

Lawns-September

Peter Boyer, Trevor Green

Baptism-September

Jacqui Deola

Calendar 2016

September

1: SMGHH—5.30-7.00 PC

3 & 4: Sacramental Celebrations at 6pm & 10am Masses

7: Soup & Sandwiches— MR 12:30pm

11: New Parishioners welcoming morning tea 11am

12: Parish Pastoral Council- 7.30pm PC

16: School Term ends

COME & SEE MASS-5pm

18:Widow & Widowers Group at Complete Garden 10am

21: CWL meeting 12noon

October

4: Altar Server Training—4pm Church

If you or a family member are in hospital and would like a visit or communion please let the Parish office know.

Are you interested in discovering what being a Catholic is all about?



Give Malia a call on 0438871100
.....come and see!



Mercy: A Way of Being in the World

This eConference, Mercy: A Way of Being in the World, will commemorate the Jubilee Year of Mercy and take up Pope Francis' invitation to explore this central element of our faith.

Topic: Mercy: A Way of Being in the World

Date: Tuesday 20 September

Time: 10.30am – 2.45pm (EST)

St Mary's Parish Centre

The econference is intended for everyday parishioners to engage in conversations about faith, and in this case mercy. All are invited. Please bring a light lunch to share. Tea, coffee and morning tea provided.

We pray for the sick: Mary Taylor, Jack Stanley, Mary Edwards, Patricia Vagg, Cheryl Carey, Gladys Tarr, Rosanna Taylor, Mary Roberts, Christine Hughes, David Carter, John Phyland, Brock Phyland, Mary Byrne, Petra Teggelove, Monica Murnane, Nick Oliveri, Diane Brown, Bernadette Noonan, Dennis Mullane, Genevieve McLindon, Mary Wight, Allan Baker, Trevor Green

Deaths: Emma McLaughlin (Sister in law of Sheree D'Angri)

Anniversaries: Tom Turner, Alan Ash, Kevin Devereaux, Gerry Fitzgerald, Ruth Ringholt

Readings

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2: 1-11

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Responsorial Psalm:

Hymn: You Are the Face of God

2nd Reading: 1 Cor11:23-25

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you.

Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the LORD's death until he comes.

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Gospel: John 14:17, 23-26

Jesus said: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Next week:

1st Reading: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 50:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19

2nd Reading: St Paul to Timothy 1:12-17

Gospel: Luke 15:1-10