



## SACRED HEART PARISH MORUYA.

**Feast of The Holy Family.**

**28-29th December, 2019.**

### **Moruya Sacred Heart Parish.**

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### **REGULAR MASS TIMES:**

Sat: Vigil 6pm. Moruya.

Sun: 8am 'The Pines' Tuross Head.

10am. Sacred Heart Moruya.

Mon: 9.15am Communion Service

Tues: 5.30pm Mass

Wed: 9.15am Mass

2.00 pm Mass Banksia Village

Thurs: 9.15am Mass

First Thursday of the month

10.30am. Visit IRT. Moruya

Fri: 9.15am Mass followed by 1 hr.  
Adoration and Benediction.

**Rosary:** After mass.

**Reconciliation:** 10—10.30 am Sat.

**Baptisms, Anointings, Weddings  
and Funerals by appointment.**

### **CARING GROUPS:**

Tuross Head 0497 315 534.

Moruya: 0431 354 993.

### **SCHOOLS:**

St Mary's: 4474 2817

Carroll College: 44715600



**Learn lessons from the Holy Family:** By celebrating the Sunday following Christmas as the Feast of the Holy Family, the Church encourages us to look to the Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph for inspiration, example and encouragement. They were a model family in which both parents worked hard, helped each other, understood and accepted each other, and took good care of their Child so that He might grow up not only in human knowledge but also as a Child of God. Jesus brought holiness to the family of Joseph and Mary as Jesus brings us holiness by embracing us in His family. The Holy Family teaches that happy family life depends on the intensity of love the exercise and respect of authority and hard work. **The Catechism of the Catholic Church** (2223) gives the following advice to the parents: "Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children. They bear witness to this responsibility first by creating a home where tenderness, forgiveness, respect, fidelity, and disinterested service are the rule. The home is well sited for education in the virtues. This requires an apprenticeship in self-denial, sound judgment, and self-mastery—the preconditions of all true freedom. Parents should teach their children to subordinate the 'material and instinctual dimensions to interior and spiritual ones.' The CCC add: "Parents have a grave responsibility to give good example to their children." (2223). Fr. George

## Feast of the Holy Family.

Sirach reminds children of their duty to honour their parents—even when it becomes difficult. He also mentions the two-fold reward which God promises to those who honour their father and mother. The first reward is “riches,” and the second “long life”; **“Whoever reveres his father will live a long life.”** He reminds children how God blesses them if they obey, revere and show compassion to their father.

### *Please pray for the sick:*

*Lee and Jerome Maat, Gail Moss,  
Kay Morton, Laurie-Anne Foran, John Bolton,  
Norman Collins.*

*For the souls of: Ack Wayman, Nic de Grave,  
Yvonne Dunn, Marie Irwin, Adalbert Planinsic,  
and Kathrine Harris’s parents.*

## INVITATION TO NOMINATE AS DELEGATE FOR OUR LOCAL CHURCH TO THE PLENARY COUNCIL

Archbishop Prowse is inviting clergy and laity to discern if they feel called to nominate as one of two delegates who will join with the Archbishop, Fr Tony Percy, our diocesan Vicar General and Mons John Woods our diocesan Episcopal Vicar for Education.

Further information is available from the parish office including an Expression of Interest form to be completed.

Any person who expresses their interest in being called by our diocese to be a delegate to the Plenary Council must be available for the following dates:

Melbourne 18-20/6/20, Brisbane 25-27/6/20,  
Sydney 16-18/7/20, Perth 23-25/7/20.  
Plenary Council General Assembly 4-11/10/20  
and 28/6-3/7/20.

Anyone who cannot be available for all of these dates, unfortunately is ineligible to be called.

**Expressions of interest to be sent by  
25th January, 2010.**

## MASS TIMES FOR THE NEW YEAR PERIOD.

### New Years Eve Mass:

Tuesday 5.30pm

Followed by 1 hour of Adoration.

### New Years Day Mass:

Wednesday 9.15am.



## ADORATION AND BENEDICTION...

Will be held on First Fridays and every Friday after the 9.15am Mass for 1 hour. ALL WELCOME!

## NELLIGEN BOAT TRIP.

All are invited to join us on Thursday 16th January as we travel up the Clyde to Nelligen. The boat leaves at 11.30am. We need to arrive at 11am. Cost is \$45 pp, \$22 child 5—14 years old. The cost includes the trip, fish and chips for lunch and afternoon tea on the way back.

We will be able to have a close up look at the new bridge being built. If you have grandchildren bring them along, families welcome too, it is why we have chosen January. We can car pool.

**A list is at the back of the church—  
indicate if you are interested.**

## MORUYA CARING GROUP.

**We are still in great need of new volunteers. This is not a great commitment, no meetings to attend, just be available at the end of the phone. We will phone with a request and if it is not suitable or you are unavailable at the time, we will ask someone else on our list.**

**CONTACT: 0431 354 993.**

Thanks.. As the year 2019 is coming to an end, we thank and appreciate the selfless and cheerful service and cooperation you have shown for the last one year in the parish as members for Finance Committee, Acolytes, Lectors, Church Cleaners, Collectors, Counters, Offertory, Dusting, Altar Linen Cleaning, Sacristan, Gardening, Music, Musicians and Choir, Florist, Decorations, Altar Servers, Extraordinary Minister of Communion, and others who have helped the Liturgy and up keeping of the Church in one way or the other.

We wish you all the best and looking forward to the same and even better cooperation from all of you in the coming year 2020.

Thanks to one and all.

Fr George.



*Special Word of Thanks:*

*There was a good response to the Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve in the hall. Thank you children, parents and teachers and a special thanks to Marg Croese, Graham and Michelle Scobie for their music at the Christmas Masses.*

**WE WISH YOU A HAPPY, PEACEFUL  
& PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR 2020.**



## **THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**

### **FIRST READING. Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6. 12-14.**

A reading from Ecclesiasticus.

The Lord honours the father in his children, and upholds the rights of a mother over her sons. Whoever respects his father is atoning for his sins, he who honours his mother is like someone amassing a fortune. Whoever respects his father will be happy with children of his own, he shall be heard on the day when he prays. Long life comes to him who honours his father, he who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord. My son, support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life. Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy, do not despise him in your health and strength, for kindness to a father shall not be forgotten but will serve as reparation for your sins.

This is the word of the Lord.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM. Ps 127: 1-5. R. v1.**

***Response: Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.***

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion all the days of your life! **R.**

### **SECOND READING. Colossians 3:12-21.**

A reading from Colossians.

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. Any may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of

one body. Always be thankful. Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalm and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, give way to your husbands, as you should in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and treat them with gentleness. Children, be obedient to your parents always because that is what will please the Lord. Parents, never drive your children to resentment or you will make them feel frustrated.

This is the word of the Lord.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION. Col. 3:15-16**

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; and the fullness of his message live within you.

***Alleluia!***



### **GOSPEL. Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23.**

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

After the wise men had left, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother with you, and escape in to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you, because Herod intends to search for the child and do away with him.' So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, left that night for Egypt, where he stayed until Herod was dead. This was to fulfil what the Lord had spoken through the prophet: I called my son out of Egypt.

After Herod's death, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother with you and go back to the land of Israel, for those who wanted to kill the child are dead'. So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, went back to the land of Israel. But when he learnt that Archelaus had succeeded his father Herod as ruler of Judaea he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he left for the region of Galilee. There he settled in a town called Nazareth. In this way the word spoken through the prophets were to be fulfilled: He will be called a Nazarene.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.