

SACRED HEART PARISH MORUYA



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Parish Office hours: Wed. and Fri. 10am—3pm

Mass Times:

Moruya: Sat: Vigil 6.00 pm Sun: 10.00 am

Tue: 5.30 pm. Wed, Thu & Fri: 9.15 am

Sat: Reconciliation: 10—10.30 am

Tuross Mass: Sun. 8am Bodalla: Mass: 2nd Thursday of the month 9.15am. Fifth Sunday of the month 3 pm.

Schools: St Mary's Moruya: 4474 2817

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Caring Group: Tuross Head: 0497 315 534 Moruya: 0431 354 993

Devotions: Daily Rosary after mass. First Friday Adoration & Benediction. 9.45—10.45 am



27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

-YEAR A-

October 3 & 4 2020

THE FRUITS OF THE KINGDOM

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

The common theme of today's reading is the necessity of bearing fruit in the Christian life and the punishment for sterility and wickedness. In today's first reading, which is called Isaiah's Song of the Vineyard, the prophet describes God's care and expectations for His Chosen People. **God's chosen people have failed to bear fruit in spite of the blessings lavished upon them by a loving and forgiving God.** Further, they have been poor tenants in the Lord's vineyard. Hence God laments: **"I expected my vineyard to yield good grapes. Why did it yield sour ones instead?"** In the responsorial psalm the psalmist pleads with God to look down from heaven and to "take care of this vine", knowing that if any good is to come of it, it will be God's doing and not the people's. In the second reading, Paul tells Philipians about the high expectations he has for them and how they should be fruit-producing Christians by praying and giving thanks and by practicing justice, purity and graciousness in their lives. Giving a theological explanation of Israel's history of gross ingratitude through a Parable, Jesus in today's gospel reminds us Christians that since we are the "new" Israel, enriched with additional blessings in the Church, we are expected to show our gratitude to God by bearing fruits of the kingdom in our lives.



Fr George Azhakath.

October falls during the liturgical season known as Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical colour green. This symbol of hope is the colour of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection.

Entrance Antiphon: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Prayer for Australia: Lord you place deep in our hearts the love of Mary Help of Christians. Through her prayers grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens. Under her protection may Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: Lord, we thank you for coming into our hearts in Communion. We believe you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. You are our life and our hope. Draw us more deeply to yourself and transform our hearts through your abiding love. May we come to know Sunday as a special day of faith, the day of our Risen Lord. May our celebration of the Eucharist on Sunday consecrate this day to you.

O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, All Praise and All Thanksgiving be every moment thine.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading – Isaiah 5:1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard.

My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the Soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too.

He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20

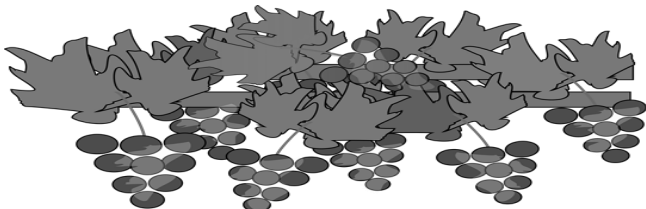
R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt;
to plant it you drove out the nations.
It stretched out its branches to the sea,
to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. **R.**

Then why have you broken down its walls?
It is plucked by all who pass by.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
devoured by the beasts of the field. **R.**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your name.
God of hosts, bring us back; let your
face shine on us and we shall be saved. **R.**



2nd Reading – Philippians 4:6-9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanks giving, and that peace of God which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia:

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel – Matthew 21:33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

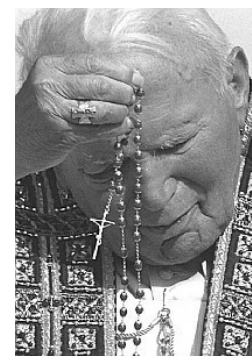
Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives'. Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the key-stone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



The month of October is
dedicated to the
Holy Rosary.



**The Memorial of
Our Lady of the Rosary
is celebrated on October 7.**

PUBLIC ROSARY: Join a nation-wide Rosary chain at RUSS MARTIN PARK, Shore Street, Moruya at 11 am on 10th October, 2020. For further details contact Michael Irwin Ph: 44743325 or 0474939979.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND HOUSE BOUND: We continue to pray and extend our support to those who are in near lock down at Banksia Village, IRT Moruya; and the sick members of our Parish: Graham Beer, Gail Fenton, John Gerber, Ben Pollock, Catherine Hulse, Catherine Ebbelaar, Carmel Trenholme, Dale Moore, Gerry Ebbelaar, Paul Rummery Jnr., Jean Marrion and Andy McCosker. Love and prayers to all of them for a speedy recovery.

Please advise the Office if you would like to be added to or taken off the list of prayers.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sadly we announce the death of a Tuross Head identity. Ken Wilson who passed away on 30th September, 2020. He was currently living in ESTIA Dalmeny. Ken and his deceased wife Pat were regular Mass attenders at Tuross and will be missed. His funeral service is 14th October in Sacred Heart Moruya at 11am.



Reach out. Give life.

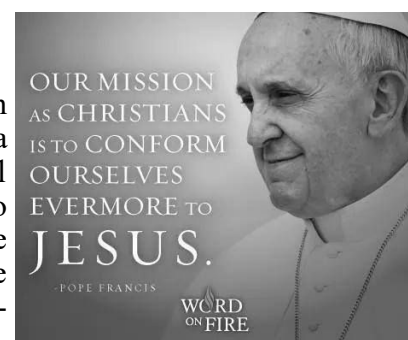
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY APPEAL:

Will be celebrated on 18th October.

"The joy of the Lord is our Strength!" Nehemiah 8:10. On 18th October we will celebrate World Mission Sunday—a special day, called by Pope Francis, when we are called to pray and offer material support to the work of mission around the world. This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and practical support to live a fulfilling life.



Chen was just 16 years old when he lost both his legs in a landmine accident. Knowing that his life would never be the same, he felt hopeless, until he and his family were approached by the Arrupe Centre. Led by Bishop Enrique Figaredo Alvargonzalez, the Arrupe Centre provides children like Chen with support and opportunities they may not access otherwise. You are warmly invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia through this year's Church Appeal.



WAYS TO GIVE: Due to COVID restrictions here are some ways to support the Appeal -

1. Envelopes (available in Church foyers) – **please POST envelope directly to address listed on envelope;**
2. visit Website – give online at catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia;
3. Text GIVE to 0488 854 436 and then follow instructions. Thank you for your prayerful support and generosity.

CG YOUTH A year of mission. This has been a challenging, yet successful year for the Youth Ministers across our parishes and schools, which we intend to continue to build on next year and beyond. The Archdiocese has recently produced a mid-year Report. It highlights our strategic priorities moving forward. One important strategy is Circles. Circles are small groups that commit to regularly gather, pray and give. Archbishop Christopher has identified them as representing a 'new pastoral initiative for evangelisation' of youth, young adults and our broader parish communities. Information on the pilot program is available at the parish office, with all resources for Circles accessible at www.belongcircles.com.

The Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn wants to invite young people into the life and mission of the Catholic Church. Youth Ministers are employed to lead youth ministry in school and/or parish communities. Applications: web: cgyouth.org.au/youth-ministers/ email: youth@cg.org.au.

2021 PUBLICATIONS TO ORDER. If anyone would like to order a **2021 Josephite Calendar** please advise the parish office. Cost \$7 plus contribution to postage. The calendar has inspirational writings of Saint Mary of the Cross Mackillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods. Ph: 02 8741 2333 or email josephitecalendar@sosj.org.au to order personally.

DAILY MASS BOOK 2021 OR ORDO 2021 orders can be made at the parish office. Daily Mass Books \$24.20. Ordo \$13.20. Payment with your order would be appreciated please.



**IT IS WITH GREAT JOY THAT WE ANNOUNCE THE
HOMECOMING OF DI AND JERRY EBBELAAR**

Thank you to all who have kept Di and Gerry in their prayers and we thank our God for their safe return.



REMINDERS: Daylight Saving commences at 2am this Sunday 4th and ends Sunday 4th April at 3am
Labor Day this Monday 5th October. A public holiday.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Kevin Setter who will be 85
on 16th October. He shares
his birthday with his older
brother Fr Giles.

With our best wishes.



Thank you to those who donated
so generously to the St Vincent de
Paul Twinning Appeal.

\$1,487.00 was raised

ART & LEISURE SCHOOL. Hi, my name is Bert, Bert Broekhuysen (Brookhouse) and I'd like to have 'a chat' with you about art and its value as leisure time, so needed in these pressing times. Sponsored by the Moruya Caring Group, a ministry of this parish, who asked me and I was happy to oblige, to speak and examine the possible formation of an Art and Leisure School, as 'school' being the collective noun for group and a possible sponsorship by our Parish. This and a demonstration with talk on landscape painting, techniques, composition and subjects, executed in charcoal, will be held. THE DIARY DATE; 13th October, 2020. TIME: 10.00am. WHERE: the Kennedy Room. WHO: beginners and seasoned artists—and those interested in the arts — ALL are welcome. Hope to see you there. Bert and Clare Broekhuysen. 48 Evans St. Moruya. Ph: 44033752.



"UNDERSTANDING DEPRESSION DURING COVID" A talk will be held on Thursday 29th October in the Tuross Head Country Club. 9.30am arrival for 10am start. The Tuross Head Caring group is presenting this sharing of personal journey with medical information to help others understand depression. Open to all however you need to register by phoning 0497 315534. We are following COVID safe guidelines.

ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE'S VISIT TO OUR PARISH



Thank you to those who attended

the Mass and
donated food for
the dinner with
Archbishop
Christopher.
Special thanks
to the PPC
members and
volunteers who
organised the
evening so well.

