

SACRED HEART PARISH MORUYA



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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 and Fourth Sunday of the month 3pm .

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Devotions: Daily Rosary before/after mass. Adoration & Benediction Fridays 9.45—10.45 am



13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

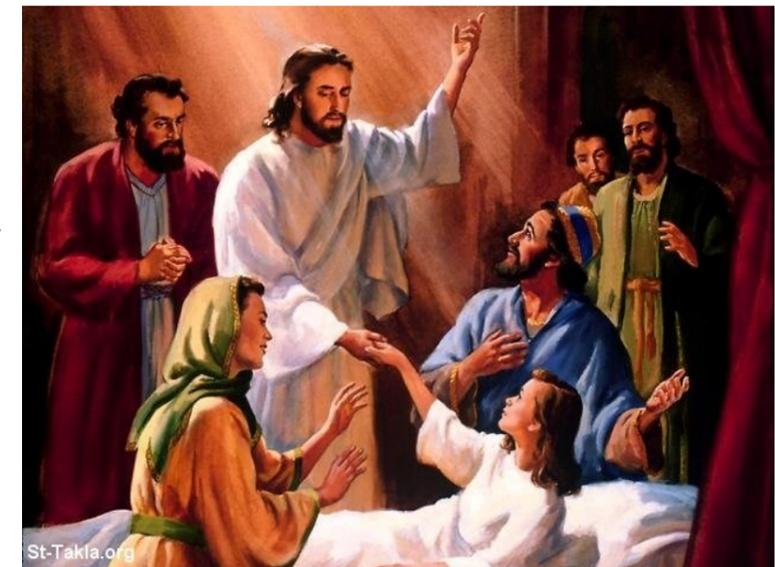
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June 26 & 27 2021

Jesus the Healer

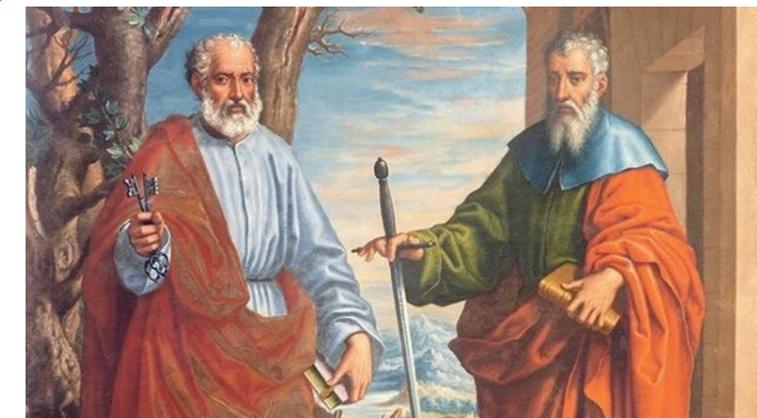
'Young girl, I say to you, arise'.

Today's readings speak of the gift of life, both physical and spiritual, that God has given us. They urge and challenge us to be grateful for our health in body and soul and to use God's gifts of life and health responsibly. **The first reading**, taken from the Book of Wisdom, tells us that God gave us life and health and it was the jealousy of Satan that produced illness and death. The reading also suggests that the *goal* of our lives on earth is to know, to love and to serve God here with perfect health in body and soul, and to share God's immortal life forever. In **the second reading**, St Paul asks the Corinthian Christian community to show the kindness and compassion which Jesus expressed in his healing ministry to their Jewish brothers and sisters in Jerusalem living in poverty and sickness, by raising a fund for them. The generosity of Jesus is the central theme here also, because Paul describes Jesus' life, death and resurrection as *"the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ."*



Feast of Saints Peter and Paul (29 June)

Salt and caramel might seem an odd flavour combination, yet salted caramel has become all the rage today. In this solemnity, Peter and Paul are also combined together with all their differences, yet the resultant mix is powerful. Firstly, Peter was a fisherman and Paul a tent-maker. Peter was among Jesus' first apostles, whereas Paul only after a vision of the risen Christ. In Paul's eyes, Peter took the Good News of Christ to the Jews, whereas he did to the Gentiles. However, both were key figures in the early Christ-following community. After shaky starts, both became leaders and models of faith. Tradition tells us that both were persecuted and died as martyrs in Rome. So put together, Peter and Paul powerfully show us that we might all lead others by faith and example, and that this Good News calls us all the way to the finish line.



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.



Congratulations

Congratulations to all the 22 newly confirmed. Thanks to St Mary's School staff especially Marg Croese, Mrs Afflick, Mr Prow and Mr Harpley and Fr George for preparing the children for their Confirmation on Sunday, 20 June. Thanks to all those who organised the High Morning Tea and those who provided food to share.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Death was not God's doing,
he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.
To be – for this he created all;
the world's created things have health in them,
in them no fatal poison can be found,
and Hades holds no power on earth;
for virtue is undying.
Yet God did make man imperishable,
he made him in the image of his own nature;
it was the devil's envy that brought death into the
world,
as those who are his partners will discover.

The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R.

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**R. I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.**

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,
restored me to life from those who sink into the
grave. (R.)
2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,
give thanks to his holy name.
His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through
life.
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.
(R.)
3. The Lord listened and had pity.
The Lord came to my help.
For me you have changed my mourning into danc-
ing,
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Cor 8:7. 9. 13-15

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Co-
rinthians

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of
eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any
cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we
expect you to put the most into this work of mercy
too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he
was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make
you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to
give relief to others you ought to make things difficult
for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what hap-
pens to be your surplus now against their present

need, and one day they may have something to
spare that will supply your own need. That is how
we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man
who gathered much had none too much, the man
who gathered little did not go short.

The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation 2 Tm 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with
death

and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 5:21-24. 35-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Mark

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other
side, a large crowd gathered round him and he
stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the syna-
gogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and see-
ing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him ear-
nestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately
sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make
her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him
and a large crowd followed him; they were press-
ing all round him.

Some people arrived from the house of the syna-
gogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead:
why put the Master to any further trouble?' But
Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he
said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have
faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him ex-
cept Peter and James and John the brother of
James. So they came to the official's house and
Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people
weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in
and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and
crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But
they laughed at him. So he turned them all out
and, taking with him the child's father and moth-
er and his own companions, he went into the
place where the child lay. And taking the child by
the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which
means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little
girl got up at once and began to walk about, for
she was twelve years old. At this they were over-
come with astonishment, and he ordered them
strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told
them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord

ALL: Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ

THE WORD AND LIFE this week

1. We need to accept God's call to health, wholeness and holiness. All of us, in some way or another,
are constantly in need of God's healing. "Healing," "health," and "holiness" are linked words in English.
Jesus accepts us as we are. Hence we need not wait until we have the correct motive and strong faith to
bring our problems before Jesus. Let us bring before him our bodily and spiritual wounds and ask for his
healing touch. We should pray for healing which will give us health in every aspect of our lives—not just
in our bodies—so that we may function in perfect harmony with people around us and with the environ-
ment.

2. We need to have trusting faith in the mercy and divine power of Jesus: The primary condition for
the effectiveness of our prayer is our faith in the goodness and mercy of God. Such a faith is possible only
if we remain related to God through prayer, the sacraments, and a mediative study of the Bible. Every day
we should say a fervent prayer of thanksgiving to God for the gift of active faith. Let us keep in mind this
wise piece of advice given by St Ignatius of Loyola: "We must work as if everything depends on us, but
we must pray as if everything depends on God."

3. We need to continue the healing mission of the Church: The mission of the Church in every age is
to continue, with Jesus, His healing work. And members of the Church, none of us is excused from our
vocation to be healers. When a friend of ours is terminally ill, the skill of the doctors and their advanced
medical tools often become powerless. What the patient needs in such a situation is our care, concern and
prayerful presence, enabling them to experience through us the love, compassion and mercy of Jesus.

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: John Gerber, Ben Pollock, Catherine Hulse, Kathleen Eb-
belaar, Dale Moore, Gerry Ebbelaar, Kylie Leplaw, Monique Driver, Andy McCosker, Paul Croese, Clare
Broekhuysen, Trish Tarlinton, Anthony Morris, Julie & John Kay, Pat Anderson, Lee Maat, Mary Sandeep
and Paul Rummery Jnr.

Sadly, Elizabeth Martin-Yates passed away on 20 June. Elizabeth devoutly prepared the flowers for the
Sacred Heart Church for many years. May Elizabeth rest in peace, in God's care.

Planned Giving Envelopes: Planned Giving boxes containing envelopes will be ready for collection
this weekend and 26 June. **Please be reminded not to use old envelopes from the first weekend in July.**
The envelope boxes have been renumbered and if old numbers are used, it will not be recorded against the
correct name. Please collect your Planned Giving boxes in the Church foyer.

The Caring Groups are collecting items to put together for Women's self-esteem packs for women in
need. Donations of toiletries etc are welcome as well as handmade zipper bags to package them. Please
place items into the container which is in the foyer of the church.

On 16 July 2021 the **Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce** will host a dinner at the Southern Cross Club,
Woden to celebrate women's ministry. Scholar and teacher, Sr Margaret Beirne RSC will give a talk on St
Mary Magdalene. Three course meal \$65. Bookings essential at <http://bit.ly/MaryMagdaleneDinner>

New Rosters for Readers and Eucharist Ministers Updated rosters have been provided and have
been emailed to relevant Ministers and Readers. More copies are also now available in the Church foyer.

Fr Martins celebrated his Birthday on 23 June. Birthday wishes and prayers from Moruya Parish.

St Mary's: School holidays began 25 June. School resumes Monday, 12 July 2021.

Sacred Heart League Prayer Group members are requested to meet with Fr George on Wednesday,
30 June immediately after 9:15am mass for a short discussion.

LONELINESS—a discussion. The caring Groups of Moruya and Tuross Head are inviting all Resi-
dents, Denominations and Agencies in Moruya to attend a discussion on Loneliness to be held on Sunday,
18 July from 2-4pm at the St Mary's School Hall, Queen Street. On the day we plan to: hear the issues;
define areas of need; share resources available and work collectively on the main area of need. RSVP by
10 July. Please contact Pat Anderson 0497 315 534 or email: turossheadcaringgroup@gmail.com