

NOTICES FROM THE PARISH

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: We continue to extend our support to those at Banksia Village, IRT Moruya, the sick members of our Parish and all those in need of our prayers: Kathleen Ebbelaar, Gerry Ebbelaar, Dianne Ebelaar, Kylie Leplaw, Andy McCosker, Bala Stankovich, Clare Broekhuysse, Jan and Pat Morris, Barry Morris, Christopher Morris, John Kay, Lee Maat, Kirk Dowling, Rosemary Patyus, Kay Morton, Sue and Rod McDonald, Hans Brosch, Father Giles Setter OFM, John Nader, Mark Wales, Therese Masserot, Jenny Hopkins, Tammy Whiteman, Clair Holmes, Patricia Murphy, Barbara Kirk, Miriam Turnbull, Natasha Morton, Janice Setter, Pauline de Grave, David McWilliams, Paul Ryan, Rita Marion and Viola Collaran, Sandy Spellacy and John Munce.

PLANNED GIVING: Planned Giving boxes containing envelopes are ready for collection. **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. The Planned Giving boxes are available in the Church foyer.



NOTICES FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL MARY MACKILLOP PILGRIMAGE, EDEN: A warm invitation is extended to all to join the Archbishop as he leads the annual Mary Mackillop pilgrimage in Eden on **Saturday, 3 August.** The day will include a pilgrim's walk at 11am, Mass at 12pm with lunch provided by the Parish of Pambula. If you wish to attend, please rsvp to Sue Heffernan (0405 251 947) or Bernadette Wood (0429 774 119). A flyer is displayed in the Church foyer with more details.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES: Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples: *FOCCUS* - Tues 13th August 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at Marymead CatholicCare. *Engaged Encounter*- Sydney, Sat 17 & Sun 18 August. *SmartLoving* – online, 9 lessons, learn at your own pace when suits you. For more information or to register go to www.marriagefamily.org.au Enquiries: Text Helena Zobec on **0405 440 463.**



Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

(29 June)

In this solemnity, Peter and Paul are 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.

SACRED HEART PARISH MORUYA



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Parish Office hours: Wed and Fri 9:00am—2:00pm

Mass Times:

Moruya: Sat: Vigil 5:00pm Sun: 10:00am

Tue: 5:00pm, Wed, Thu & Fri: 9:15am/1st Saturday of the month 9:15am

Tuross: Sun: 8:00am **Bodalla:** 4th Sunday of the month 3:00pm/2nd Thursday of the month 9:00am

Reconciliation: Every Saturday @ Moruya 4:15pm-4:45pm before Vigil Mass

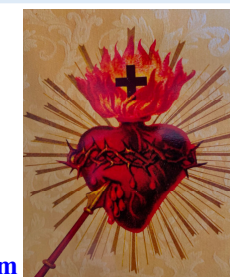
1st Saturday of the month @ Moruya 8:15am-9:00am

Devotions: Daily Rosary and Saturdays 9:30am **Adoration:** All Fridays after Mass

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13th Sunday in Ordinary time

- YEAR B -

29 & 30 June 2024

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.*"



Entrance Antiphon: All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

Communion Antiphon: O Father, I pray for them, that they may be one in us, that the world may believe that you have sent me, says the Lord.

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

First Reading Wisdom 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. v.2

**(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
dancing,
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the
Corinthians

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 happens 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 Timothy 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death
and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 5:21-24, 35-43

P: The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit

P: A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Mark

All: Glory to you O Lord

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 synagogue officials
came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his
feet and pleaded with him earnestly, 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 pressing all round him.

Some people arrived from the house of the
synagogue 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 except 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 mother 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
overcome 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 environment.

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.

from the perspective of Jairus

What a whirlwind of emotions Jairus must have gone through. His daughter was sick and getting worse but Jesus had left the region and travelled across the Sea of Galilee. Suddenly, Jairus heard that Jesus had returned! He raced to Jesus and begged him to save his daughter. What joy when Jesus set out to do so! But Jesus was slowed by the crowd and then came to a complete stop and spoke to some woman. Didn't he know this was urgent? Then the news came that the little girl was dead – no need to hurry now. Finally, unbelievable relief and joy: Jesus raises the little girl and reunites her with her parents.

Parish Safeguarding Commitment: Sacred Heart Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to, and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all of our thinking.

Communicating Concerns: Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have by emailing Fr George Azhakath or the Parish Office. Alternatively, please phone the Parish Office to arrange a time to talk with Fr George. Specific safeguarding issues can also be emailed to the **Parish Safeguarding Officers:** Pauline Parnell ronandpauline@yahoo.com; Louise Strahlendorf loumm214@gmail.com; or Peter Hoban peter.hoban@peters.com.au. Parishioners are also welcome to contact Maria Hicks, Manager for the Archdiocese's Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding (IPSS) ipss@cg.org.au/6239 9806.