

Entrance Antiphon: To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words.

Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Communion Antiphon: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

First Reading Exodus 17:8-13

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, ‘Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.’ Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

- I lift up my eyes to the mountains: from where shall come my help? My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. **(R.)**
- May he never allow you to stumble! Let him sleep not, your guard. No, he sleeps not nor slumbers, Israel’s guard. **(R.)**
- The Lord is your guard and your shade; at your right side he stands. By day the sun shall not smite you nor the moon in the night. **(R.)**
- The Lord will guard you from evil, he will guard your soul. The Lord will guard your going and coming both now and for ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading 2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:2

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can

profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people’s lives and teaching them to be holy.

This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

Gospel Acclamation Hebrews 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. **Alleluia!**

Gospel Luke 18:1-8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. ‘There was a judge in a certain town’ he said ‘who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, “I want justice from you against my enemy!” For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, “Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death.”’

And the Lord said, ‘You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?’



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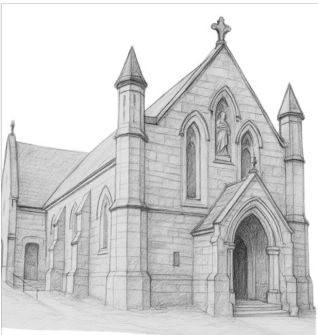
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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 19th October 2025

Sunday Mass

Sacred Heart, Moruya

36 Queen Street, Moruya

Sat. Vigil: 5.00pm

Sunday: 10.00am

‘The Pines’, Tuross Head

36 Craddock Rd, Tuross Head

Sunday: 8.00am

St. Edmund’s, Bodalla

162 Princes Hwy, Bodalla

4th Sunday: 12 noon

Weekday Mass

Sacred Heart, Moruya

Tuesday: 5.00pm

Wed, Thurs, Friday: 9.15am

St Edmund’s, Bodalla

2nd Friday: 9.00am

Syro-Malabar Rite Mass

Sacred Heart, Moruya

First Mondays: 6pm

Confessions

Sacred Heart, Moruya

Tuesday: After Mass.

Saturday: 4.30pm - 4:50pm

Adoration

Sacred Heart, Moruya

Fridays: 9:45am

(After 9.15 Mass)

Rosary

Daily: After Mass

THE STRENGTH OF PRAYER AND THE COMFORT OF HOPE

Dear Friends,

This weekend, we are invited to pause and reflect on the power of persistent prayer and trust in God’s loving care. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the story of the persistent widow who continually seeks justice from an unjust judge. Her courage and determination remind us that God listens to our prayers, even when answers seem slow in coming. Unlike the judge in the story, our God is loving, merciful, and attentive to every cry of our hearts. He invites us to bring our needs, worries, and hopes to Him with confidence, knowing He is always with us. The readings this Sunday also call us to perseverance in faith and humility in our relationships with others. Prayer is not only about asking for what we need—it is about growing closer to God, trusting that He knows our hearts, and walking with Him in every moment of our lives. Even when life feels uncertain, the Lord encourages us to remain steadfast, to act with justice and compassion, and to be a source of care and kindness for those around us.

It is in this spirit of faith and trust that we come together with heavy hearts to mourn the death of Emily Jokinen, a cherished member of our wider Catholic community. Emily, one of our students at Carroll College, was warm, kind, and full of life. Her vibrant spirit touched many, and her loss leaves a void that will be deeply felt. Yet even in our sorrow, we carry the love she shared and the joy she brought into our lives. During this time of mourning, let us hold fast to the comfort and hope God offers. We lift up the Jokinen and Irwin families in our prayers, asking that God surround them with peace, strengthen them in their grief, and reassure them that Emily rests in the arms of the Lord.

As we reflect on today’s readings, may we be inspired to approach God with the same trust and persistence as the widow—bringing our grief, gratitude, and hopes before Him. Let us also support one another with compassion, and love as we journey with our community that mourns one of its beloved daughters. May God grant us all peace, hope, and the courage to persevere in faith.

Your brother in Christ,

Fr. Josh

NOTICES

PARISH SCHOOLS

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Moruya
Please call the Parish Office

Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon 20th — Mon. 29th Week in O.T.
Tues 21st — Tues 29th Week in O.T.
Wed 22nd — St. John Paul II
Thurs 23rd — Thurs 29th Week in OT
Fri 24th — Fri 29th Week in OT
Sat 25th — Sat. Mass of the B.V.M.
Sun 26th — 30th Sunday in O.T.

**October
is dedicated
to the
Holy Rosary**



THANK YOU FOR CELEBRATING FR. JOSH'S PRIESTLY ANNIVERSARY

Dear Parish Family,
Thank you for the warm celebration of my Eighth Anniversary of Priesthood. Your prayers, kindness, and joyful presence have made me feel truly at home. Special thanks to everyone who helped with the morning tea and shared in the fellowship—it was a beautiful reminder that the priesthood is lived in the love and life of God's people.—Fr. Josh



NO MASS NEXT FRIDAY: As Fr. Josh will be in Wollongong for a wedding next Thursday and Friday there will be no Mass in Moruya on Friday. However, there will be Adoration at 9.15am instead of Mass.

PARISH PHONE NOT WORKING: Unfortunately, our Parish Office phone is down *again*. We're working with Telstra to fix the issue as soon as possible and will keep you updated.

WORLD MISSION DAY – SUNDAY, 19 OCTOBER: This year the theme is "Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples" and Catholic Mission in Australia will be directing this year's fundraising to the Church's important work in Zambia. Envelopes are available in the Church foyer.

EMILY JOKINEN FUNDRAISER:

Recently, 13-year-old, local girl, Emily Jokinen, died after a short battle with Leukaemia. To try and support her parents, Josh and Rachel, and her brother Matt we are trying to raise funds to ease the financial burden. Please keep them in your prayers and consider donating to help during this heartbreaking time.

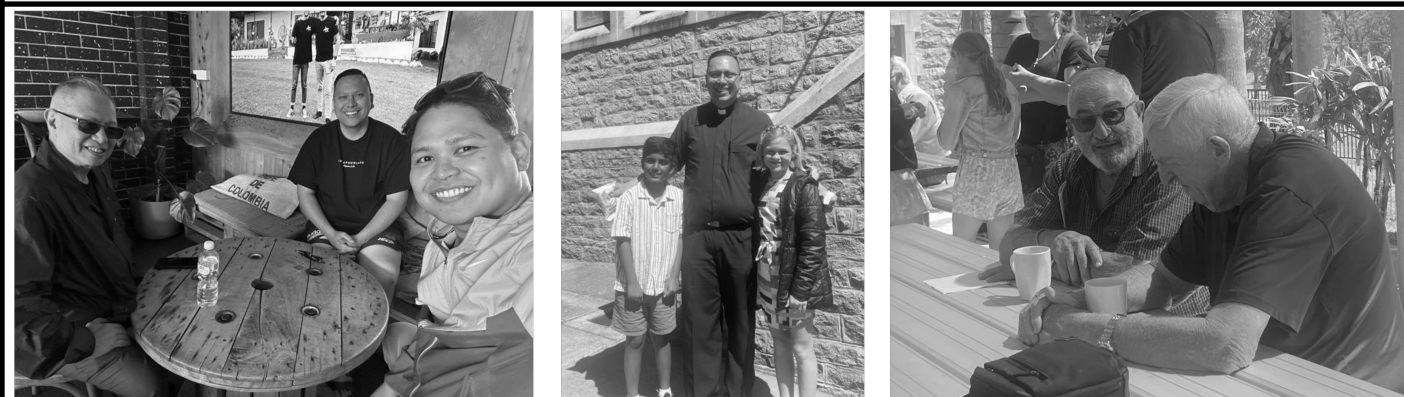


Recently Deceased: Sam Mifsud, Emily Jokinen, Christopher Campbell, John Brown.
Those who are sick and housebound: For those in Aged care facilities and in Moruya Hospital, for our sick and housebound parishioners, Gerry and Dianne Ebbelaar, Kylie Leplaw, Andy McCosker, Bala Stankovich, Clare Broekhuyse, Jan Morris, Christopher Morris, Lee Maat, Kirk Dowling, Rosemary Patyus, Kay Morton, Sue and Rod McDonald, Hahn and Pauline de Grave, Hans Brosch, Father Giles Setter OFM, Mark Wales, Jenny Hopkins, Tammy Whiteman, Clair Holmes, Patricia Murphy, Barbara Kirk, Paul and Margaret Ryan, Rita and Doug Marion, Viola Collaran, Sylvia Heffernan, Leo Kop, Rae and Peter Fishlock, Michael Irwin, Fr Greg Beath, Deacon Paul and Jo Rummary, John Heffernan and Graham Beer.

NOTICES

ARCHBISHOP'S DAY OF TEACHING FOR THE RENEWAL: Saturday 8th November.

Join us at St Peter Chanel's, Yarralumla, 8:30 am–4 pm for talks, praise & worship, Mass, healing prayer, and fellowship. Free morning tea and sausage sizzle lunch. (Collection taken.)
Register: <https://shorturl.at/6WK7C> or call 0423 658 326.



SYNODAL SNAPS

Each week we will be including short snippets about Synodality provided by the Archdiocesan Synodal Evangelisation Team.

Walking in Humility

Synodality requires humility, patience, and a spirit of service. We look to Jesus who "emptied himself" in love and learn from His example.

Reflection: How can I be humbler and patient in my relationships?

Prayer: Jesus, give me a humble heart that reflects Your love.



GIVING AND RECEIVING

Direct Debit and Tap N Go are available. Thank you for your generosity.
If possible, consider donating to the 1st and 2nd collections via direct debit.

1ST COLLECTION – Supports Arch. Clergy

Direct Debit (include "Sacred Heart Parish"):

BSB: 062-786 | **Account:** 000029248 | **Reference:**
Sacred Heart Parish, Moruya & Surname

2ND COLLECTION – Supports the Parish

Direct Debit / Bank Deposit:

BSB: 062-786 | **Account:** 000014984 | **Reference:**
Planned Giving # & Surname (current givers) or
"Donation" (new givers)

MORUYA ROSTERS

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Readers			Ministers of Holy Communion		Counters	
Mass	18th/19th October	25th/26th October	18th/19th October	25th/26th October	20 October	27 October
SAT 5pm	C. Palise M. Joyce	J. Heffernan C. Palise	F. Levi	Tim Cahill	D. Fee T. Chatto	G.Campbell L. O'Connor
SUN 10.am	P. Angus J. Gillet	B. Gillet P. Pollock	P. Angus	J. Morris		

Parish Safeguarding Commitment: At Sacred Heart Parish, we're deeply committed to creating a safe, respectful, and caring environment for all children and vulnerable people. We believe everyone deserves to be heard, valued, and protected—and we work together with families to make sure their voices are always part of the conversation.

Communicating Concerns: Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns by contacting Father Josh or the Parish Office. For matters specifically related to safeguarding, please reach out to our Parish Safeguarding Officers—Pauline Parnell, Louise Strahlendorf, or Peter Hoban—via email at moruya.safeguarding@cg.org.au. Additionally, you may contact Maria Hicks, Manager of the Archdiocesan Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding (IPSS), at ipss@cg.org.au or by phone on 02 6239 9806.