27th Sunday in Ordinary Time—5th October 2025

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: Though many, we are one bread, one body, for we all partake of the one Bread and one

First Reading Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk
How long, Lord, am I to cry for help
while you will not listen;
to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear
and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me,
why do you look on where there is tyranny?
Outrage and violence, this is all I see,
all is contention, and discord flourishes.
Then the Lord answered and said,

'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail.

See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

(R.) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

- Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
- 2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
- 3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

Second Reading 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy
I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God
gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was
not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love,
and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of
witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his
prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Peter 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News. **Alleluia!**

Gospel Luke 17:5-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty.""

The Sacred Heart Catholic Parish comprises the localities of Moruya, Moruya Heads, Broulee, Mossy Point, Congo, Tuross Heads and Bodalla.



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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5th 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: 12noon

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

Living by Faith, Not by Sight

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday's readings speak to us with such warmth and encouragement about the gift of faith. In the Gospel, the apostles cry out to Jesus: "Increase our faith!" (Luke 17:5). Their prayer is also ours, because faith is not something we achieve through sheer determination—it is a gift from God, planted deep within us like a seed. That seed may seem small, but in God's hands it holds remarkable power.

Jesus reminds us that even faith the size of a mustard seed can do extraordinary things. It may not move mountains in a dramatic sense, but it can move hearts. A little faith can lead us to forgive when it is difficult, to reach out when we would rather turn away, to find peace when life feels uncertain, and to trust that God is guiding us even in the silence. God does not ask for a perfect or flawless faith, but simply for trust—a willingness to let Him work through us in the ordinary moments of life.

In the second reading, St Paul encourages Timothy to "rekindle the gift of God that is within you" (2 Tim 1:6). Faith is not meant to lie dormant—it is a flame to be tended, nurtured, and shared. We do this whenever we come to Mass, when we spend time in prayer, or when we offer small acts of love and kindness. These are the ways faith grows stronger and brighter in us and in our community.

This month we are also invited to deepen our faith through Mary in the prayer of the Rosary. October is the Month of the Rosary—a time to rediscover its beauty and power. The Rosary may seem simple, yet it helps us reflect on the mysteries of Christ's life and anchors us in hope. Whether prayed alone, with family, or in groups, it is a prayer that brings peace and draws us close to Jesus through Mary's gentle intercession.

May the Lord increase our faith, keep our hope steady, and make us witnesses of His love in all we do.

With every blessing and prayer, Fr Josh

'Cor ad cor loquitor' - 'Heart speaks to heart'

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Moruya
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Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon 6th —Mon. in O.T.

Tues 7th — O.L. of the Rosary

Wed 8th— Wed. in O.T.

Thurs 9th — Thurs. in O.T.

Fri 10th — Fri. in O.T.

Sat 11th — St. John XXIII

Sun 12th—28th Sunday in O.T.

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary



Thank You – Heart of Moruya Concert



The Heart of Moruya Concert
was a wonderful occasion for our parish
and wider community, bringing people together
in the joy of Gospel music.
Sincere thanks to all who attended, assisted.

Sincere thanks to all who attended, assisted, and contributed, with special appreciation to Graham Scobie for organising the event, and to all the performers who shared their gifts so generously.







FIRST SATURDAY ANOINTING MASS: This Saturday we will be celebrating our monthly Anointing Mass. Mass begins at 9am followed by Confessions and Adoration. Benediction will occur at the conclusion of Confessions. The Anointing Mass is an opportunity for the sick to come and be anointed with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. It also provides the opportunity to receive Holy Communion and to make a good Confession as well. Feel free to join in the grace filled occasion.

MARIAN PROCESSION 2025: Join us on Sunday, 26 October in Goulburn for the annual Marian Procession—a joyful celebration of unity, prayer, and peace. Bring your family and friends, walk in procession, pray the Rosary, and share in Mass as we honour Our Lady and pray for peace in our world.



BODALLA MASS: Last Sunday, we celebrated Mass at St Edmund's Church in Bodalla, a historic and beautiful part of the parish.

After Mass, we enjoyed a delightful lunch at the Bodalla Pub with wonderful company.

Despite the cold weather, the time together was warm and uplifting. Come for the prayer, stay for the pub food! We'd love to see you at next month's Bodalla Mass.

Recently Deceased: John Brown, Rosemary Mylott, Bishop Pat Power, Joy Bourke. 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 Rummery, John Heffernan and Graham Beer.

NOTICES

BAPTISM: Congratulations to the Steger and Brazil families as Pia Gabrielle Brazil receives the sacrament of Baptism this Sunday. Please pray for Pia and her family as Pia commences her faith journey. **GROTTO MAINTENANCE:** If any parishioners would like to help maintain the grotto of the Blessed Mother at the front of the church, that would be most appreciated. The grotto is starting to look tired, weary and even neglected. It would be wonderful if we could put a team together to help rectify this important place in our parish. Please email Fr. Josh if you are interested in helping maintain the Grotto.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION

On the weekend of 4–5 October, we will hold a leaving collection after each Mass to support those in need within our own community, as well as two St Vincent de Paul Conferences in India whom we sponsor regularly. Your generosity makes a real difference. We are also deeply grateful for the ongoing food donations placed in the basket at the church entrance.

Thank you for your kindness and support.



SYNODAL SNAPS



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

Silence and Contemplation

Silence is not empty. Silence gives us space to hear God more clearly and notice how the Holy Spirit is speaking in our lives and in our community.

Reflection: Where can I create space for silence in my week?

Prayer: Lord, open my heart to hear Your voice in the quiet.

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:

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MORUYA ROSTERS						
Readers			Ministers of Holy Communion		Counters	
Mass	4th/5th October	11th/12th October	4th/5th October	11th/12th October	13 October	20 October
SAT 5pm	J. Heffernan C. Palise	C. Cahill P. Pollock	F. Levi	T. Cahil	T. Monaghan T. Cahill	D. Fee T. Chatto
SUN 10.am	B. Gillett H. Browne	R. Zammit R. Patyus	G. Campbell	J. Gillet		

<u>Parish Safeguarding Commitment:</u> 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.