

Catholic Parishes of Taree & Wingham

Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle



Taree Parish includes Mass centres of Cundletown, Harrington, Lansdowne & Old Bar

Wingham Parish

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Good Stewards Sharing the
God-given Gifts of
Time Talent Treasure

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

2nd August 2015

This Weeks Readings

First Reading

Exodus 16:2 - 4, 12 - 15

*I will rain bread from
heaven upon you.*

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:17, 20 - 24

*Put on the new person that has been
created in God's image.*

Gospel

John 6: 24 - 35

*Whoever come to me will never be
hungry; whoever believes in me
will never thirst*

Reflection

In many ways the Exodus story of the bread from heaven is very similar to last Sunday's accounts. However, the focus today is not divine prodigality shown through the overabundance of food, but total dependence on God. The bread comes from heaven, not merely because the food seems to come down from the sky, but because it comes from God. The restriction about collecting it was meant to emphasise this point. Our survival is in God's hands, not ours.

Jesus insists that he is the true bread from heaven; he is the real basis of our survival. The people followed him because they saw him as a source of bread; they did not realise that he is really the source of life. If we fill ourselves with all that the world provides as nourishment we will still hunger. Only faith in Jesus can satisfy our deepest hungers, and we will not be able to survive apart from him.

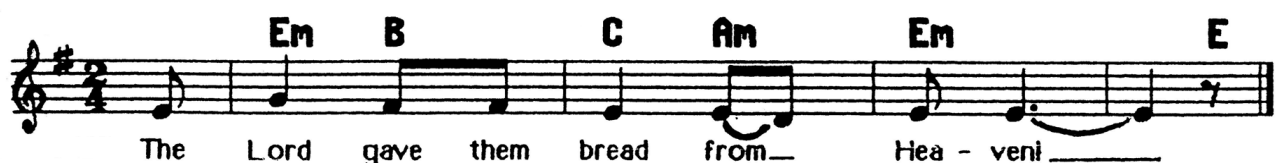
Acceptance of Jesus as the source of our life and the very nourishment of our spirits effects a total transformation in us. We will no longer be content to live with full bellies but empty minds. We will put aside our old selves steeped in ignorance and self-interest and put on a new self, created in his image. Having fed on the bread from heaven, we will be mysteriously transformed into it. The spirit of our minds will be renewed by his teaching. As a result, we will be able to launch out into a way of living that witnesses to our new understanding, our new life.

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Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.



Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every
word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Christmas in July Thank you to all who attended the Christmas in July Dinner in support of St Vincent de Paul. Your attendance and generosity was greatly appreciated. \$700.05 was raised on the evening.

Taree Thursday Morning Mass

Will be celebrated at St Joseph's School on Thursday 6th August at 9.30am. All parishioners are invited to attend. A cuppa will be provided after Mass. Please come along and join in with the children in their celebrations.

Couples for Christ invite you to attend a
Christian Life Program

at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Taree. Orientation Day will be held on Saturday 8th August at 1.30pm. Further sessions will be on Saturdays from 1.30 to 3.30pm. For further information phone 6553 9834.

St Joseph's School Taree are holding a **Spring Fair** on Saturday September 5th from 10am - 2pm.

There will be plenty happening on the day - historic car display, skydiving display, jumping castle, camel rides, trackless train, food, craft, book, plant and market stalls, children's activities, showbags, face painting and lots more! St JHoseph's would love to see members of other school communities in our area attending the day. Anyone who would like to hold a stall of find out more information can phone 0423 911 913 or email springfairjoey@outlook.com.

Gone Bush Luncheon will be held in St John's Hall, Taree on 13th August 2015 at 12noon. \$12.00 per head. Lucky door prizes and raffle. Guest speaker: Dee Bennett - "My Life in Indonesia". Hosted by the Mothers Union, proceeds to Northern Outreach programs. Tickets available from Kin 6550 1948, Robin 6551 2715 or Coralie 6552 2618.

Taree Liturgy Team will meet again on Saturday 22nd August 2015 at 9.00am.

Taree Planned Giving Giving envelopes and receipts are now available for collection from the front porch of the church.

St Vincent de Paul Taree wish to advise that they no longer take donations of furniture items.

Formation Program for Parish and other Ministries. Formation Program for Parish and Other Ministries will be held on **Saturday 22 August** at 9:30 AM at 125 Broadmeadow Road, Broadmeadow. **Spirituality for Ministry** 9.30 am – 12.30 pm Unit SM 1: Discipleship (Sr Patricia Egan) 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm Unit SM 2: The Church of Maitland-Newcastle (Mrs Teresa Brierley). These units have been designed especially for members of Parish Leadership/Pastoral/Finance Councils and Teams as well as those involved in other parish groups and ministries. They are offered free of charge. Please bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee provided. To RSVP Phone Sharon 02 4979 1134 or email sharon.murphy@mn.catholic.org.au.

Parish Paper Preparation for the publication of our next Parish Paper has begun. The deadline date for this publication is the 7th August. Remember this is your paper, please send your articles, news, photos, (all with names attached) by dropping them into the parish office or by emailing them to kneppy@tpg.com.au. Emailed photos appreciated wherever possible.

Thanks Mike Hogan

Wingham Parish Paper Report parishioners would have noticed that our last Parish paper had no Wingham Parish News!!! Terry's shoes are hard to fill, we don't have a replacement for her yet. If you are able to help the Parish Paper Committee by taking over Terry's job and become our news gatherer for Wingham would you please contact Mike Hogan 6552 1478.

Martha's Group will meet at 12noon on Monday 10th August 2015 in the Resource Centre for a "Fish and Chip" lunch. Please RSVP to Monica ph: 6552 3410.

Anglican Men's Dinner will be on Wednesday 12th August 6 for 6.30pm in St John's Anglican hall. \$15.00 per person. Guest speaker Leif Anderson on Bees. Please RSVP by Monday 10th August to Dennis phone 6553 9474.

Australia Catholic Youth Festival Information evening, Thursday 6th August, 7pm at Holy Name Forster. For more information please contact Samantha Hill on 0414278069 or email Sam.Hill@mn.catholic.org.au

Please pray for the sick in the Taree & Wingham parishes:

Michael Holstein, Bev Crouch, Phillip Stanford, Barry Armitage, Lillian and Bernie Eddlebuttel, Kelly Sherlock, Marcelle le Clare, Mary Headley, Ann Cleal, Anne Keating, Helen Wooster, Peter Chowne, Mayce Clarke, Margaret Cross, Debbie Hitchen, Catherine Worrell, Vicki Sciulli, Ben Foster, Noel Hinton, Mavis Capon, Cyril McGovern, Mary McCaffrey, Chum Cavanagh, Terry Donnelly, Sheila McDonald, Brendan Maloney, Barbara Hannan, Mike Molloy, Evie May Trotter, Cliff Flanagan, Neil O'Regan, Shirley Dean, Marie McGovern, Tom Berryman, Paul Cantwell, Von Hobson, Bill Abdoo, Margaret Squires.

Anniversaries: Paul Morris, Vincent Martin, Marie Fegan, Lawrence O'Toole, Anthony Lyall, Marie Birks, Bill Hayes, Joseph Vincent Bugler, Thomas Earley, Richard Norris, John Wright, Mary Wills, Kerrie Badewitz (Chowne)

Recently Deceased: Michael Lawrence, Barbara Hannan, John Metz.

May they rest in peace.



SCAE Roster
Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Taree

Sunday 9th August 2015

6.00pm SCAE

Leader: Pat Wolfenden
Gospel: Henry Sowa
Reflection: Merri Rumble
Communion: Fran Dawson

Saturday 15th August 2015

6.00pm SCAE

Leader: Peter Dahdah
Gospel: Paul Hogan
Reflection: Tony Frost
Communion: Mike Hogan

Sunday 23rd August 2015

6.00pm SCAE

Leader:
Gospel:
Reflection:
Communion:

Help Please!

Please phone the parish office if you can fill any of the vacancies on the roster.

Note: Other readers as per usual roster.

St John Vianney - Aug 4th.

St. John Vianney, Priest (Patron of priests) Feast day - August 4 Universally known as the "Cure of Ars)," St. John Mary Vianney was ordained a priest in 1815. His reputation as a confessor and director of souls made him known throughout the world.

Accustomed to the most severe austerities, beleaguered by swarms of penitents, and besieged by the devil, this great mystic manifested a imperturbable patience. He was a wonderworker loved by the crowds, but he retained a childlike simplicity, and he remains to this day the living image of the priest after the heart of Christ.

He heard confessions of people from all over the world for the sixteen hours each day. His life was filled with works of charity and love. It is recorded that even the staunchest of sinners were converted at his mere word. He died August 4, 1859, and was canonized May 31, 1925.

www.catholic.org/saints/



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass will be celebrated in Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree at 9.00am on Saturday 15th August.

Celebrated every year on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay--a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and is a **Holy Day of Obligation.**

St Mary of the Cross - August 8th

Mary MacKillop (1842 -1909), now known as St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, was an Australian woman of early Australian colonial times. On March 19, 1866 at Penola in South Australia she, with Father Julian Tenison-Woods, founded the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart (Josephites). Mother Mary of the Cross was its first Religious Sister and Superior.

In her lifetime, Mary MacKillop established a number of schools and welfare organisations throughout Australia and New Zealand with a focus on education of the poor, particularly in country regions. Conflict with Fr Tenison-Woods and other clergy resulted in Mary's ex-communication by Bishop Sheil on September 22, 1871 for her alleged insubordination. Consequently most of the schools were closed and the Josephites almost disbanded. On February 21, 1872, Bishop Sheil, as he lay dying, realised his mistake and lifted the ex-communication.

In 1873, Mary MacKillop successfully travelled to Rome and attained Papal approval for the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart. In 1875, after returning from Rome, she was formally elected Superior General.

Since her death in 1909, St Mary MacKillop has attracted much veneration in Australia and internationally. Following recognition of the required miracles, she became Australia's first saint on October 17, 2010.



Carols by Candle Light

The initial meeting for organising Taree and Wingham parishes Carols by Candle Light has been held and proposed program and activities discussed. The Carol's will be held in Our Lady of the Rosary Church and grounds on Sunday evening 6th December 2015.

Volunteers are required to assist with the following:

- Cooking goods for sale on a cake stall.
- Craft items to sell.
- Organising a treasure hunt and lucky dips for the children.
- Face painting
- Cooking the BBQ

We are also looking for financial sponsorship to assist with the purchase of items for sale e.g. BBQ, lucky dips, balloons etc. If you would like to assist in any of these areas it would be much appreciated. Please telephone Jan or Sue at the office on 6552 1084 to pledge commitment. Our next meeting 18 August at 7.00pm in Resource Centre. All welcome to attend.



Next Weekend 9th August 2015

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Kings 19: 4 - 8

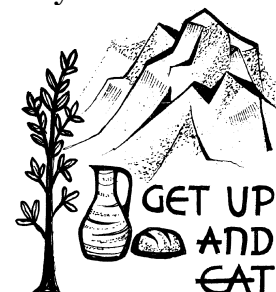
Strengthened by the food, he walked to the mountain of the Lord.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 30 - 5:2

Walk in love, just as Christ.

Gospel: John 6: 41 - 51

I am the living bread come down from heaven.



Liturgies and Meetings

Monday 3rd			9.30-1.30pm 10.00am 1.45pm 7.30pm	Catechist Training - St Joseph's Wingham Meditation Group - Reading Room Taree - Hour of Prayer for Priests Taree - Men's Bible study Contact Herbie 0416049834 to confirm time.
Tuesday 4th	9.30am 5.30pm	<u>Feast Day for Parish Priests</u> Harrington Liturgy of the Word & Exposition. Taree Mass	10.00am 10.30-11.30am 7.30pm	Women's Prayer Group - Old Library Old Bar Church open, Rosary & prayer OB - "Our Mother's Love" Prayer Group
Wednesday 5th	9.30am	Taree Mass	8.50am 9.30-11am 10.00am	Taree MMP Prayer for Priests T & W Library Open Hospitality Group - Resource Centre
Thursday 6th	9.30am	<u>Transfiguration of the Lord</u> Taree Mass - St Joseph's School		
Friday 7th	9.00am 10.15am 11.00am	Taree Liturgy of the Word Taree Mass at St Joseph's School Taree - Mary MacKillop Feast Day Wingham Liturgy of the Word	10.30am 3.00pm	Secular Franciscans - Resource Centre Old Bar Exposition and Cenacle
Saturday 8th	6.00pm 6.00pm	<u>St Mary of the Cross</u> <u>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Taree Vigil Mass Harrington Vigil SCAE	9.30am 11am - 12noon	Our Lady of the Rosary - Rosary Makers Taree Reconciliation
Sunday 9th	7.30am 8.30am 9.30am 6.00pm	<u>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Old Bar SCAE Wingham Mass Taree SCAE Cundletown Mass	7.00am 7.50am 8 - 8.20am	Old Bar Reciting of Holy Rosary Wingham Reciting of Holy Rosary Wingham Reconciliation
Monday 10th		<u>St Lawrence</u>	10.00am 12.00pm 1.45pm 7.30pm	Meditation Group - Reading Room Martha's Group - Resource Centre Taree - Hour of Prayer for Priests Taree - Men's Bible study Contact Herbie 0416049834 to confirm time.
Tuesday 11th	9.30am 5.30pm	<u>St Clare</u> Harrington Liturgy of the Word & Exposition. Taree Mass	10.00am 10.30-11.30am 6.30-8.30pm 7.30pm	Women's Prayer Group - Old Library Old Bar Church open, Rosary & prayer St Mary's Craft Group - SMH OB - "Our Mother's Love" Prayer Group
Wednesday 12th	9.30am	Taree Mass	8.50am 9.30-11am 10.00am 6.00pm	Taree MMP Prayer for Priests T & W Library Open Hospitality Group - Resource Centre Anglican Men's Dinner
Thursday 13th	9.30am	Taree Mass - St Joseph's School		
Friday 14th	9.00am 11.00am	<u>St Maximilian Mary Kolbe</u> Taree Liturgy Wingham Liturgy of the Word	3.00pm	Old Bar Exposition and Cenacle
Saturday 15th	9.00am 6.00pm 6.00pm	<u>Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u> Taree Solemnity of Assumption <u>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Taree SCAE Harrington Vigil Mass	10.30am	Taree Reconciliation
Sunday 16th	7.30am 8.30am 9.30am 6.00pm 6.00pm	<u>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Old Bar Mass Wingham SCAE Taree Mass Cundletown Mass Lansdowne SCAE	7.00am 7.50am	Old Bar Reciting of Holy Rosary Wingham Reciting of Holy Rosary