

# CATHOLIC PARISHES OF TAREE & WINGHAM

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**TAREE PARISH & WINGHAM PARISH - DIOCESE OF MAITLAND NEWCASTLE**

Mass centres of Cundletown, Harrington, Lansdowne & Old Bar

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## Resurrection of the Lord - Easter Sunday

16th of April, 2017

### FIRST READING

**First Reading:**

**Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43**

Peter recounts the deeds of  
Jesus.

### SECOND READING

**Second Reading:**

**Colossians 3: 1-4**

Set your heart on the  
greater gifts.

### GOSPEL

**Gospel:**

**John 20: 1-9**

Mary Magdalene finds the tomb  
empty, Peter sees and believes.

## SEQUENCE FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.  
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;  
and Christ, the undefiled,  
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.  
Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!  
Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.  
Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.  
The tomb the Living did enclose;  
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!  
The angels there attesting;  
shroud with grave-clothes resting.  
Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.  
That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.  
Victorious king, thy mercy show!

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM - EASTER SUNDAY

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;  
let us feast with joy in the Lord.  
Alleluia!

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DEADLINE FOR ALL BULLETIN NOTICES IS WEDNESDAY 3PM. NOTICES RECEIVED AFTER THIS TIME WILL BE PLACED IN THE FOLLOWING WEEKS BULLETIN. THANK YOU.**

## PARISH OFFICE EASTER MESSAGE

Holy Week is a special time of prayerful reflection upon the profound mystery of Christ's sacrificial death for our sake, so that we might live more fully for Him. So let us celebrate the Paschal Mystery with minds and hearts renewed and boldly proclaim His Resurrection!

Easter brings so many promises of God to us, life is stronger than death, love can overcome hate, goodness ultimately triumphs over evil and eternity and glory with God in Heaven are our destiny. I pray that Jesus may live in all our hearts, that we may always embrace Him with love and gratitude. May His love and His peace fill our hearts, our lives, our homes and our families. God bless each and every one of you and your loved ones.

Father George, Father James, the Parish Office staff and Parish Council members would like to wish all the Parishioners a very happy Easter.

## GOOD FRIDAY - SPECIAL COLLECTION

The annual collection for the support of the Church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. The collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## PARISH PAPER DELAY

The first Parish Paper for this year cannot be printed until June due to committee members being away on holiday. The Paper Committee would appreciate any ideas for items in the paper. Please contact Mike on 65521478.

## HEALING MASS IN WINGHAM

On Friday the 21st of April there will be a healing Mass in Wingham at 11.00am.

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Come and join with us in prayer on Sunday the 23rd of April for the Feast of the Divine Mercy, commencing at 2.30pm in Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree. The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday for nine consecutive days leading up to the Feast of the Divine Mercy. We can pray this chaplet for the intentions of Our Lord to Saint Faustina as well as our own personal intentions. There will be leaflets available in the Church. All welcome.

## FIRST CLASS RELIC OF ST MOTHER THERESA

The Parish has received the first class relic of St Mother Theresa of Calcutta. The relic will be kept for public veneration on special feast days. The first display of the relic will be on Divine Mercy Sunday, the 23rd of April at 2.30pm in Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree. All welcome to attend.

## TENSION WOODS DINNER

To be held on Thursday the 11th of May, at the Therry Centre, East Maitland at 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. Guest speaker Professor Tim Flannery, presenting: 'Responsibility and Climate.' Cost \$65.00 per head, includes canapes, drinks, main meal and dessert. Bookings by the 4th of May via phone on 49791134 or via email on Sharon.Murphy@mn.catholic.org.au

## EASTER MASS TIMES 2017

**Easter Sunday – 16th April 2017**  
Mass Sunday 7.30am at Old Bar  
Mass Sunday 7.30am at Harrington  
Mass Sunday 9.30am at Taree  
Mass Sunday 9.30am at Wingham  
Mass Sunday 6.00pm at Cundletown

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN THE TAREE & WINGHAM PARISHES:

Patricia Wolfenden, Mary and Helen Trapple, Bev Crouch, Julie Rice, Tom Berryman, May and Terry Bailey, Teresa Harvey, Kelvin Cowan, Sue Davis, Judy Nies, John O'Keefe, Barry Armitage, Mary McCaffrey, Maree Dunne, Ken Campbell, Linda Norris, Margaret Barrett, Gloria Ellis, Helen Wooster, Mikala Corben, Sonia Pinkerton, Monica Moy, Fred Wisemantel, Anne Cleal, Jim Wills, Robert MacGregor, Anne Hile, Laura Mirabello, Pat Anderson, Emma Matheson, Ambrose Mason and John Longden.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Andrew Francis Reidy, Lois Relf, Maura Whitfield, Pat Bourke, Mona Wyburn, Carol Earley and Lillas Baker.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Patricia Cleal, Steven Donovan and Pauline Wills.

*May they rest in peace.*



# The Catechism of the Catholic Church

## III. The meaning and saving significance of the Resurrection

651 "If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain."<sup>521</sup> The Resurrection above all constitutes the confirmation of all Christ's works and teachings. All truths, even those most inaccessible to human reason, find their justification in Christ by his Resurrection, which has given the definitive proof of his divine authority, which he had promised.

652 Christ's Resurrection is the fulfilment of the promises both of the Old Testament and of Jesus himself during his earthly life.<sup>522</sup> The phrase "in accordance with the Scriptures"<sup>523</sup> indicates that Christ's Resurrection fulfilled these predictions.

653 The truth of Jesus' divinity is confirmed by his Resurrection. He had said: "When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you will know that I am he."<sup>524</sup> The Resurrection of the crucified one shows that he was truly "I AM", the Son of God and God himself. So St. Paul could declare to the Jews: "What God promised to the fathers, this he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus; as also it is written in the second psalm, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you.'"<sup>525</sup> Christ's Resurrection is closely linked to the Incarnation of God's Son, and is its fulfilment in accordance with God's eternal plan.

654 The Paschal mystery has two aspects: by his death, Christ liberates us from sin; by his Resurrection, he opens for us the way to a new life. This new life is above all justification that reinstates us in God's grace, "so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life."<sup>526</sup> Justification consists in both victory over the death caused by sin and a new participation in grace.<sup>527</sup> It brings about filial adoption so that men become Christ's brethren, as Jesus himself called his disciples after his Resurrection: "Go and tell my brethren."<sup>528</sup> We are brethren not by nature, but by the gift of grace, because that adoptive filiation gains us a real share in the life of the only Son, which was fully revealed in his Resurrection.

## Divine Mercy Sunday 23rd of April

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread. The message and devotional practices proposed in the *Diary of Saint Faustina* are completely in accordance with the teachings of Church and are firmly rooted in the Gospel message of our Merciful Savior. Properly understood and implemented, they will help us grow as genuine followers of Christ. Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.



# MASS SCHEDULE & MEETINGS

<b>Monday 17th</b>			<b>9.30am- 1pm 1.45pm</b>	Quilters Grp - Res C Taree Hr of Prayer for Priests
<b>Tuesday 18th</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Harrington</b> Lit of Word + Comm +Exp	<b>9.30am-11am 10.00am 10.30am-11.30am 1.00pm-3.00pm</b>	T & W Library open - Old Pres Women's Prayer Grp - Old Lib Old Bar Church open for Prayers and Rosary Men's Bible Study Grp-Old Pres
	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Taree</b> Mass - Fr James		
<b>Wednesday 19th</b>	<b>9.30am 10.30am</b>	<b>Taree</b> Mass - Fr James Bishop Tyrell Mass - Fr George	<b>8.50am 5.30pm</b>	Taree Marian Movement of Priests T & W PPC Mtg - Res C
<b>Thursday 20th</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Taree</b> Mass - Fr James	<b>5.15pm</b>	T Finance Council Mtg - Old Lib
<b>Friday 21st</b>	<b>9.00am 11.00am</b>	<b>Taree</b> Mass - Fr James <b>Wingham</b> Healing Mass - Fr George	<b>9.30am 11.30am 3.00pm 6.30pm</b>	Taree Exposition Wingham Liturgy Mtg Old Bar Exposition and Marian Movement of priests Taree Liturgy Mtg - Old Lib
<b>Saturday 22nd</b>	<b>6.00pm 6.00pm</b>	<b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b> <b>Taree</b> Mass - Fr James <b>Harrington</b> Mass - Fr George	<b>11.00am - 12pm 5.30pm</b>	Taree Reconciliation - Fr George Taree Rosary
<b>Sunday 23rd</b>	<b>7.30am 8.30am 9.30am 6.00pm 6.00pm</b>	<b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b> <b>Old Bar</b> Mass - Fr George <b>Wingham</b> Mass - Fr James <b>Taree</b> Mass - Fr George <b>Cundletown</b> Mass- Fr James <b>Lansdowne</b> SCAE	<b>7.00am 7.50am 8-8.20am 9.00am</b>	Old Bar Rosary Wingham Rosary Wingham Reconciliation Taree Rosary

## NEXT WEEKS READINGS:

### First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

The faithful lived together and owned everything in common.

### Second Reading: 1 Pet 1:3-9

He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead.

### Gospel: John 20:19-31

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

23rd of April 2017

