

Catholic Parishes of Taree & Wingham



Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle

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

Wingham Parish

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - Year C

29th of May 2016

First Reading

Genesis 14:18-20

Melchizedek brought bread and wine.

This Weeks Readings

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord.

Gospel

Luke 9:11-17

They all ate and were filled.

Reflection

This Feast combines the previous feasts of Corpus Christi and the Precious Blood of Christ. It reminds us that the body and blood of Christ were offered as a sacrifice for us, and every time we re-enact this sacrifice, we renew his sacrifice. The Body and Blood of Jesus is the interim meal for the Christian community. We are to feed on it until the Lord returns. We see again the already-but-not-yet character of Christian eschatology, for the Lord has already returned. That means that the Eucharist meal is a re-enactment of Christ's death, an anticipatory celebration of his coming, and a thanksgiving banquet with him present.



The multiplication of the loaves and the fishes prefigures the eschatological banquet of fulfilment. Its miraculous bounty assures us of the abundance of that future banquet.

Its miracle of multiplication prefigures the miracle of Jesus as he changed the bread and wine into his own body and blood. Jesus handed himself over as food and drink on the very night that he was handed over by others. The banquet that he prepared was a celebration of the new covenant; it was an eschatological banquet of thanksgiving. This feast invites us to enter through either the past, the present or the future, for each one will lead us to the mystery that we celebrate: the mystery of the sacrifice of Christ; the mystery of the sacred bread and wine of the future; the mystery of the eschatological banquet of the present.

by Dianne Bergant

Responsorial Psalm:

You are a Priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

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Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

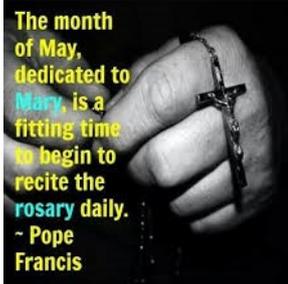
I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever.

Father Rob Galea Welcome Dinner

Will be held on the 2nd of June in the St Mary's Hall, Taree, commencing at 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. Tickets are \$20.00 per head. Fr Rob will be guest speaker. Please book at the parish office by the 30th of May.

The Holy Rosary during the month of May

During the month of May the rosary will be recited every Monday to Friday at 5.00pm at the Grotto at Our Lady of the Rosary Church in Taree. On the weekends; Cundletown - 5.30pm, Taree - 5.30pm.



Planned Giving Tax Receipts

All parishioners that require a tax receipt for planned giving for the financial year 2015/16 must notify the parish office before the 30th of June. Please be advised that any request not received before this date will lead to the parishioner not receiving the requested tax deduction.

Anna's Group

Will meet at Club Taree for lunch at 11.30am on the 6th of June.

Martha's group

Will meet in the Resource Centre at 12pm on the 13th of June. Please note this is a holiday weekend but the group will still meet.

Adoration in Cundletown

Cundletown will be having Adoration after the 6.00pm Mass today, the 29th of May.

Altar Servers Party

On the 5th of June we invite all the Altar Servers from each Mass center to come together to serve at the 9.30am Mass in Taree. We would like to thank you for your service each week assisting Father George by holding a party for you in the resource center after the Mass. All parishioners are welcome to come celebrate with cake, party food and the presentation of a gift for each Altar server.



Taree rosters

Are available for collection at the Church front foyer.

Catholic Mission Appeal

All parish Mass centres will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to reach out and support the inspirational work of the Catholic Church in Cambodia, by helping provide the country's most vulnerable children with emotional and spiritual support, as well as an opportunity to break the cycle of poverty and gain a new future through the power of education. There will be envelopes provided, please lend your support to this appeal.

2016 Cursillo Retreat

This year's Diocesan Cursillo in Christianity retreat will be held on the June long week-end from Friday night 10th June at 8pm to Monday afternoon 13th June at 5:30. Catholic men and women are invited to attend this live in weekend at the Myuna Bay Sport and Recreation Centre just south of Newcastle. Enquiries call Mike or Linda Norris on 65574060.



Parish Paper

The Parish Paper usually out in April, will not be printed till mid-June. Some travel and family commitments of our volunteers have meant a delay. We will put a request for your stories and news into the Parish Bulletin when we get into the swing! Meanwhile please put on your thinking caps.

Walking for Mercy

Help raise necessary funds to support women in Cambodia with health care, nourishment, antenatal, delivery and postnatal costs by participating in a walk/fundraiser held by Fr Kevin Corrigan, Parish Priest of Nelson Bay. The walk will take place on Monday the 6th of June to Monday the 13th of June from St Mary MacKillop Chapel North Sydney along Old Pacific Hwy to Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hamilton. For more information please contact Anne or Cathy at the Catholic Developmental Fund on 49791160.

Tenison Woods Annual Dinner

On Friday the 17th of June at the Therry Centre, New England Highway, East Maitland. 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. RSVP by June 9th to secretary P 49309601. \$60 per person.

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

Patricia Wolfenden, Bev Crouch, Julie Rice, Tom Berryman, Helen Trappel, May and Terry Bailey, Teresa Harvey, Pauline Wills, Kelvin Cowan, Debbie Hitchen, Margaret Cross, Joe Zarb, Sue Davis, Eve Collins, Bill Walker, Rose Sansom, Carmel Matheson, Nino Menta, Paul Cantwell, Judy Nice, John O'Keefe, Mary Trapple, Bill and Dorothy Wright, Bryce Gaudry and Eric Trad.

Anniversaries: Maria Bartolo, Anthony Bartolo, Anthonea Gerch, Frank Wills, Charles Wisemantel, Mitchell Reid, Eric Lyons, Shirley Betts, Federico Balano, Lilia Balano and Nonito Balano.

Recently Deceased: Mark Jensen and Vincent Rinkin.

May they rest in peace.



Sequence

Behold the bread of angels, sent
For pilgrims in their banishment,
The bread for God's true children
meant,

That may not unto dogs be given:
Oft in the olden types foreshowed;

In Isaac on the altar bowed,
And in the ancient paschal food,
And in the manna sent from
heaven.

Come then, good shepherd, bread
divine,

Still show to us thy mercy sign;
Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;
So may we see thy glories shine,

In fields of immortality;
O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,
Our present food, our future rest,
Come, make us each thy chosen
guest, Co-heirs of thine, and
comrades blest With saints whose
dwelling is with thee.

Father Rob Galea in Concert

Rob Galea is a singer and
songwriter with an international
fan base. Fr Rob has
significant evangelistic and
outreach ministry,
speaking and singing at schools,
conferences and Churches around
the world.

Concert date: Friday the 3rd of
June commencing at 8.00pm at the
Manning Entertainment Centre.
Tickets \$5.00 for Students under
18 years and
\$15.00 for Adults.

Tickets may be purchased at
the MEC by phone 65925466 or
via their website
mec@gtcc.nsw.gov.au



The Holy Body and Blood of Our Lord



“Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. . . . Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me.” (Jn 6:53-57)

The simplest way to express what Christ asks us to believe about the Real Presence is that the Eucharist is really *He*. The Real Presence is the *real Jesus*. We are to believe that the Eucharist began in the womb of the Virgin Mary; that the flesh which the Son of God received from His Mother at the Incarnation is the same flesh into which He changed bread at the Last Supper; that the blood He received from His Mother is the same blood into which He changed wine at the Last Supper. Had she not given Him His flesh and blood there could not be a Eucharist.

We are to believe that the Eucharist is Jesus Christ - simply, without qualification. It is God become man in the fullness of His divine nature, in the fullness of His human nature, in the fullness of His body and soul, in the fullness of everything that makes Jesus Jesus. He is in the Eucharist with His human mind and will united with the Divinity, with His hands and feet, His face and features, with His eyes and lips and ears and nostrils, with His affections and emotions and, with emphasis, with His living, pulsating, physical Sacred Heart. That is what our Catholic Faith demands of us that we believe. If we believe this, we are Catholic. If we do not, we are not, no matter what people may think we are.

By Father John A. Hardon S.J (www.therealpresence.org)



Liturgies and Meetings

Monday 30th			10.00am 1.45pm 7.30pm	Meditation Group - Rd Rm Taree Hr of Prayer for Priests Men's Bible Study Group
Tuesday 31st 	9.30am 5.30pm	<u>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u> Harrington Liturgy of the Word + Com & Exposition. Taree Mass	10.00am 10.30-11.30am	Women's Prayer grp - O.Lib Old Bar Church open, Rosary & prayers
Wednesday 1st	9.30am 7.00pm	Taree Mass Reconciliation Night for RCIC in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Taree	8.50am 9.30-11.00am	Taree Marian Movement of Priests. T & W Library Open
Thursday 2nd	9.30am 6.30pm	Taree Mass at St Joseph's School with children Father Rob Galea Dinner in St Mary's Hall		
Friday 3rd 	9.00am 8.00pm	<u>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</u> Taree Mass Father Rob Galea in Concert at the MEC	9.30am 10.00am-2pm 3.00pm	Taree Exposition Franciscans Mtg - Res C Old Bar Exposition & Marian Movement of Priests.
Saturday 4th 	6.00pm 6.00pm	<u>The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u> <u>10th Sunday in Ord Time</u> Taree Vigil SCAE Harrington Vigil Mass	10.30am 11am-12.00pm	Couples for Christ - Res C Taree Reconciliation
Sunday 5th	7.30am 8.30am 9.30am 6.00pm	<u>10th Sunday in Ord Time</u> Old Bar Mass Wingham SCAE Taree Mass + Altar Servers party in Res C after Mass Cundletown Mass	7.00am 7.50am 8.00-8.20am 9.00am 10.30am	Old Bar Rosary Wingham Rosary Wingham Reconciliation Taree Rosary Anna's Group - Old Lib

Next Week 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

5th of June 2016

First Reading: Kings 17:17-42

Look, said Elijah, your son is living.

Second Reading: Galatians 1:11-19

God revealed his Son in me, that I might preach the Good News about him to the pagans.

Gospel: Luke 7:11-17

Young man, I say to you, arise.

