

St Joseph's Catholic Parish

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ord. Time
Year C, 1 September, 2019

Embracing the communities of
Cherbourg, Durong, Goomeri,
Murgon, Proston and Wondai



Unity in Diversity ... being one in Christ through Baptism!

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We often hear people remark that Catholics don't know their Scripture. That it is a Protestant thing. But this is not necessarily true. As Catholics we pray the Lord's Prayer in accordance with Scripture rather than tradition. Perhaps the biggest indicator of Scriptural knowledge is displayed in every Catholic church around the world, every Sunday. In accordance with the Gospel today, Catholics sit at the back of the church waiting to be called forward.

Jesus calls us today to act with humility. Not humiliation, but with a humble soul. Being humble is a virtue based on deep peace in the heart. When we know that we are loved as the children of God we have a feeling of being wanted and accepted. When this truly percolates down into our hearts we receive the Grace of peace.

No matter what happens in our lives, if we have peace in our hearts then we can act with courage and strength. Our focus is not on ME, but on being with God. As such we can act with compassion and be there with our brothers and sisters where they are.

Too often we feel vulnerable and are afraid of who we are. This insecurity is then projected onto the other. We feel that if they accept us or praise us that we will experience happiness in their elation. In fact the pursuit of praise makes us more insecure and

vulnerable. Because we are at the mercy of others and their limited view of us.

In knowing God and the deep relationship we have with the Divine we learn that we are treasured. That we are special and can safely be with others as the true person we are. Our humility is the grace to allow others to become who they can be without the fear that we are less if they become more.

Fr Bryan Pipins SJ



2019 ANNUAL
CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN
Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

Next weekend, our Church is delighted to be supporting the Annual Catholic Campaign. It is the one time a year that all of the parishes in the Archdiocese come together to help vital works of our church and local community. Funds raised will support ministries that directly impact this parish. The Campaign supports training future priests, caring for elderly priests when they are no longer able to serve our parish, helping families access a Catholic education and caring for those suffering physically and emotionally in our local community.

The four areas of the campaign are:

Continuing the legacy of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, the **MacKillop School Access Fund** provides Catholic education to children whose families are in financial and often spiritual distress.

Centacare's team of staff and volunteers provide outreach for vital ministries such as:

- Homelessness and housing support
- Hospital chaplaincy
- Domestic and family violence
- Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care
- Murri ministry

The Priests Foundation providing a dignified retirement and healthcare to our elderly and unwell priests, who for long years have faithfully served our parishes and communities.

The seminary provides for the training and formation of the future priests of the archdiocese.

Mass Times:

Next Weekend 7/8 September

Proston, Saturday at 8.00am
Wondai, Saturday, 6.00pm
Murgon, Sunday, 8.00am
Durong, Sunday, 10.30am

Weekday Mass Times:

Wondai, Wednesday at 5.30pm
Murgon, Thursday at 5.30pm
Murgon, Friday at 9.30am

Today's readings

Sirach 3:17-20,28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24; Luke 14:1,7-14

Response:

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

Next week: Wisdom 9:13-18;
Philemon: 9-10.12-17; Luke 14:25-33

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

Teagan O'Sullivan, 2
Jim Mooney, 2
Paul Pratt, 8
Lynn Manthey, 9
Nora Reilly, 14
Jessica Shailer, 20
Nancy Rossow, 26
Terry Leyland, 26
Peggy Quinn, 29

Wedding Anniversaries

Nev and Marcia Hunt, 4
Col and Val Elliott, 5
Norm and Joan Walker, 8

Death Anniversaries

Carol O'Sullivan, 2
Damian Palmer, 6
Jim Manthey, 11
Stephen Elliott, 12

If you would like to add a birthday or anniversary to be published in the parish newsletter please enter the details into the birthday/anniversary books in Murgon or Wondai Churches, or contact the parish office.

Parish Morning Teas

Join us for a cuppa and chat after any of the following Masses.

Goomeri – 1st and 3rd Sundays
Wondai – 2nd Sunday
Durong – 2nd Sunday
Murgon – 3rd Sunday
Proston – 4th weekend

LITURGY ROSTERS

for weekend Masses

Murgon: 6.00pm, Saturday, 7 September, 2019	
Leader:	R Braithwaite
Readers:	R Braithwaite, L Burgess
Each Mins:	M Hunt, J Braithwaite
Wondai: 8.00am, Sunday, 8 September, 2019	
Leader:	V Parker
Readers:	C Beardmore, H Leyland
Each Mins:	D Boge, T Hodson

Summer Mass Times BEGINS next weekend

on 7/8 September. The Mass at Proston will revert to 8.00am and the Vigil Mass on Saturdays to 6.00pm. These times will remain until the first weekend in June 2020.



This Father's Day give your dad a spiritual gift. Arrange a Mass for your dad (living or deceased) and at the same time support a poor priest overseas who will receive your donation and offer Mass for your intentions. Ten percent of priests worldwide are supported by Mass offerings through Aid to the Church in Need. You can arrange a Mass anytime at:
www.aidtochurch.org/mass-offerings

Spiritual blessings

(Real life stories, collected by the Carmelite Sisters)

Echoes from the Past

It is certain that the poor more easily achieve the blessing of humility than the rich. Gentleness goes with poverty, pride more commonly with riches. And yet, very many rich people do use their wealth for works of charity rather than as a means to puff their pride. This spirit counts as among its greatest profits what it spends in relieving distress and hardship in others.

In this virtue all classes and conditions of people meet, for they can share a common purpose while differing in wealth... they are seen to be equal in spiritual blessings.

Pope St Leo the Great (c.400-461)



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Reconciliation Times

1st Sundays:
Wondai, Saturday, 4.30pm
2nd Sundays:
Murgon, Saturday, 4.30pm
3rd Sundays:
Proston, Saturday, 10.00am

Used Postage Stamps

Wondai church has a box at the back of the church and perhaps someone could do the same for the other churches.

Vinnies at 84 Lamb Street, Murgon. Volunteers urgently required. For further information please phone Cecily Fry on 0437 864 667.

We pray for those who are sick:
Cathy Carter; David Clancy;
Chris Heidemann; Earl Pratt;
Lee Seargent.

(Please let us know if you would like someone's name added to the sick list. Also, contact us when you feel that it is appropriate to remove a name from our list.)

*Holy Mary
pray for us*

