



CATHOLIC PARISHES OF TAREE AND WINGHAM

Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Taree
Our Lady of Perpetual help Church, Wingham
Our Lady of Fatima Church, Old Bar

Star of the Sea Church, Harrington
St Patrick's Church, Cundletown
St Therese Church, Lansdowne

Two Parishes One Faith
Committed to Stewardship
Good Stewards Sharing the
God-given Gifts of
Time Talent Treasure

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PARISH GROUPS

Parish Pastoral Council, Liturgy Team,
Finance Council, Youth Group, Prayer Group,
Couples for Christ, St Mary's Catering Group,
Safeguarding, RCIC, RCIA, Readers, Ministers

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR C

24TH JULY 2022

Consultation Towards Our 2022 Parish Assembly: DRAFT PROPOSALS

(Claim a date Sunday 11th September 11:00 am – 12:30 pm)

Summary of Feedback from our recent Parishioner Survey indicated two major themes:

- 1.To establish means by which our Parishes can provide opportunities to help re-connect with parishioners who have become disengaged and share experiences of community.
- 2.To establish means by which we outreach to the younger generations and facilitate their identification with the Parish communities.

It was noted at our Parish Council that two significant areas were largely not mentioned:

- * the area of social need and homelessness in our local areas.
- *how we can engage with our Church's urgent call to contribute to promoting care for and wellbeing of the world's natural environment. This awareness raising could include our learning about Pope Francis' Laudato Si Action Plan.

THE SAT JULY 2 GATHERING OF PARISHES

There was a gathering of parishioners called for by Diocesan leaders (Fr Matthew Muller and Director of Pastoral Ministry's Mrs Teresa Brierty). Around 50 parishioners participated. Our visitors provided an exercise in Pre-Assembly consultation. The result was the compiling of 120 dot point suggestions and comments offered for further decision making for action at Parish Assembly.

Our Parish Council met and identified which of the 120 dot point suggestions can be added to our present Pre-Assembly DRAFT PROPOSALS CONSULTATION with parishioners of Taree and Wingham. [These additions are printed in blue.](#)

Please be mindful that our Assembly will be making decisions about objectives/actions which are mostly intended to be achieved over the next 12 months- until September 2023. These will generally be under the heading of our Diocese's present framework of the **Five Foundations** of Parish Life.

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| 1. Identity & Community | 3. Leadership & Structure | 5. Mission & Outreach |
| 2. Worship & Prayer | 4. Formation & Education | |

INVITATION

There will be five (60 to 90 minute) workshops organised during August for the suggested Draft Proposals for each of the Five Foundations. As a fellow parishioner, you will be invited to attend the workshop which you have a particular interest in, and would like to help in. At the workshops, we will further assess the Draft Proposals, and suggest any helpful changes or additions.

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DRAFT PROPOSALS FOR OUR 11th SEPT 2022 PARISH ASSEMBLY

WORSHIP AND PRAYER

- Enter into the parish calendar the regular (eg every three months) opportunities for weekday Mass with Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick included. Also, where possible arrange for either Mass or regular opportunities for Sacrament of the Sick for Catholics in the nursing homes in our parishes.
- Provide opportunity in 2023 for Retreat(s) for parishioners (eg invite Retreat Director to the parishes; a Retreat “online”?; a Retreat via small groups reading a small book on prayer? Or other possibilities

FORMATION AND EDUCATION (& OUTREACH?)

Three meal occasions- breakfasts, luncheons (or dinners?) in 2022 - 2023 with guest speakers. For example:

- Invite local school Principal to talk of challenges and opportunities for Education and Christian formation of youth in our schools; child development in the first five years; parenting insights into the vocation of grandparenting.
- Invite visit of presenter to provide opportunity for furthering understanding of the Scriptures. E.g., on the Year A (2023) Gospel of Matthew (Father Paul Mulconry has in the past provided a series of such informal presentations to small groups. Could he visit the area in 2022-2023 for 4 such presentations... if interest shown?)
- A small group be formed to read and discuss over 4 occasions the book “Why Bother Praying” by Father Richard Leonard, the Australian Jesuit, or perhaps another small book on spirituality and prayer?
- To identify parishioners who could be prepared to further the work of catechists by giving ongoing support to parents whose children have received Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist)

IDENTITY & COMMUNITY

- Two parish concerts; repeat performances at Taree/Wingham? musicians, singers, other items; involvement of local schools? Identifying most suitable day and time. (Point! For parishioners to come and to extend invitation to another Outreach!) The proposed male choir?
- 2 or 3 altar server outings- with families, and each altar server be encouraged to invite a friend with their family member/ parents to come as well.
- To use social media for Christian and Catholic information and outreach
- Ongoing communication within the parish especially with Parish Council
- Welcoming Committee's for our parishioners and visitors.
- Name tags for each parishioner

MISSION & OUTREACH

- Assess interest in small group of parishioners to form to have monthly BBQ gathering in picnic areas along Manning River, sharing time, BBQ, chat, song/music? - an occasion of welcome and sharing with others.
- Assess interest in forming a group of interested parishioners willing to give regular time e.g. weekly, fortnightly to identify and contribute to a local Landcare project?
- Assess a mobile trailer-kitchen? Catholic Care has acquired two trailers especially designed to provide BBQ meals and food in outdoor settings. One trailer is based in Newcastle the other is in Foster, and which is used to provide a fortnightly breakfast in Taree. **Proposal:** to form a small group to assess whether the needs are there for our two parishes to raise funds to acquire one such trailer?

LEADERSHIP AND STRUCTURE

- Effective, ongoing communication within the Parish and from the Parish Council.
- Provide support and (pastoral) care for those who give generously of their time to help in parish events and activities.
- Encourage structures which express welcome and encourage participation of young families.
- Look to form a Parish Team whose members are available to coordinate efforts to implement our Parish Assembly decisions over the next 12 months. Forming such a Team is a long recommended strategy for post Parish Assembly follow up (noted at recent Parish Council meeting).

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

24TH JULY 2022

FIRST READING: Gen 18:20-32

Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3

(R.) Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

SECOND READING: Col 2:12-14

He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Rom 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia
You have received the Spirit which makes
us God's children,
and in that Spirit we call God our Father.
Alleluia

GOSPEL: Lk 11:1-13

Ask, and it will be given to you.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

31ST JULY 2022

FIRST READING: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23

What do people gain by all their work?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

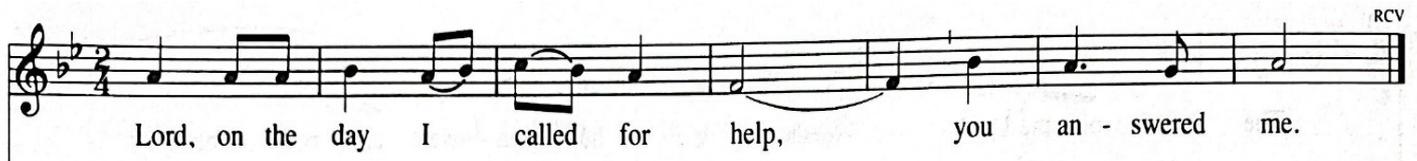
SECOND READING: Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

GOSPEL: Lk 12:13-21

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



PRAYER LIST FOR TAREE AND WINGHAM PARISHES

SICK: Sandra Baker, Sue Berry, Cathy Callinan, Bev Crouch, Ken Fitton, Betty Howard, David Hutchison, Ian Kerry, Lorraine McKenzie, John Minihan, Kathy Murray, Neil Moroney, Linda Norris, Rose Sammut, Liz Taylor, Paul White, Anne Watson, Noel Wolfenden.

ANNIVERSARIES: James Bastick, Marie Burke, Mary Unger, Gus Unger, Robert Matheson, Kevin Worth, Annette Fazio

RECENTLY DECEASED: Stephen O'Neill, Beverly Williamson, Ted Belcher, Mark Smyth

RCIA
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you know anyone interested in becoming a Catholic or desiring to learn more about the Catholic faith?

Please invite them to our Information Night hosted by Fr Kevin and the RCIA team on:

**Monday 8th of August
6.00 pm**

Taree Resource Centre.

You may contact the Parish Office
Ph 6552-1084 if interested.

Prayer of Blessing for the Elderly

Lord, our God

you have given these your faithful
the grace to maintain their hope in you
through all life's changes
and to taste and see your goodness.

We bless you for the gifts you have showered upon grandparents and all the elderly in our families and parish communities for so many years.

We ask that they may have good health,
that they may find joy in a renewed strength of spirit,
and that they may inspire us by the example of their lives
lived daily with trust in you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

(R.) Amen.

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH CALENDAR 2022

MONDAY 25TH JULY

ST JAMES, THE APOSTLE

TUESDAY 26TH JULY

STS JOACHIM & ANNE

10.00am Old Bar Rosary

3.00pm Funeral Service at Pampoolah
(Beverly Williamson)

4.30PM TAREE RECONCILIATION

5.30PM TAREE MASS

6.00PM TAREE LITURGY MEETING

6.00PM WINGHAM ROSARY

WEDNESDAY 27TH JULY

NO 9.30AM AT TAREE

5.15pm Taree Finance Council meeting

THURSDAY 28TH JULY

5.30pm CUNDLETOWN MASS
+ RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 29TH JULY

ST MARTHA

9.00AM TAREE MASS

10.00AM WINGHAM ROSARY

SATURDAY 30TH JULY

4.00pm Wingham Reconciliation
+Rosary

4.45pm Wingham Mass

6.15pm Taree Mass

SUNDAY 31ST JULY

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7.00am Old Bar Rosary

7.30am Harrington Mass

7.30am Old Bar SCAE

9.30am Taree Mass

ST MARY'S PIETY STORE

New stock including two beautiful framed pictures of Jesus and the Children, The Morning Star at \$30 each. We also have stock of Baptismal, Confirmation and Communion items. Divine Mercy and Our Lady of Miraculous Medal magnets are also available for \$4.00



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9.00am-3.30pm

Tuesday to Friday inclusive

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY

On Sunday, July 24, 2022, the Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated throughout the universal Church.

The theme chosen by the Holy Father for the occasion is "In old age they will still bear

fruit" (Psalm 92:15) and intends to emphasize how grandparents and the elderly

are a value and a gift both for society and for ecclesial communities.

The theme is also an invitation to reconsider and value grandparents and the elderly who are too often kept on the margins of families, civil and ecclesial communities. Their experience of life and faith can contribute, in fact, to building societies that are aware of their roots and capable of dreaming of a future based on greater solidarity.



TAX RECEIPTS-2021/2022 FINANCIAL YEAR:

Please note that the cut-off date for the Tax Receipts (17th June 2022) passed and the accounts are now finalised, therefore no more receipt can be raised. For those who have requested before the cut-off date, please be advised that tax receipts are run through the Diocesan level and will be available by the end of this month.

LADIES PRAYER GROUP - AN INVITATION

Come and join us for PRAYER AND REFLECTION every Tuesday 9.30am at the Resource Centre. We include structured and open prayer with reflection, input and sharing of the Sunday Gospel to enrich our Mass experience. The ladies also meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month for lunch. Please phone May 6552 5596 if interested.

APOSTOLIC LETTER FROM OUR HOLY FATHER POPE FRANCIS *'The Liturgical Formation of the People of God'.*

is now available on the
Vatican Website.

To access the document please use
the link provided:

<https://tinyurl.com/yc7as9tv>

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CHURCH, TAREE

Please note that there will be no 9.30am Mass at Taree Church on Wednesday 27th July due to our priest officiating a funeral Mass at Nelson Bay. Taree Mass and Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Friday, 29th July at 9.00am.

PARISH VOLUNTEERS: To comply with the Catholic Safeguarding Standards, we are encouraging our parish volunteers to **please check the expiry date** of your Working With Children Check and update them as soon as possible **if required**.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL WINTER APPEAL

— Will be held next weekend
-30th / 31st July
Your support will be
much appreciated.

If you have any concerns for a child or vulnerable adult please contact the office of safeguarding: **Ph 4979-1390** or Email: childprotection@mn.catholic.org.au or visit their website for more information <https://officeofsafeguarding.org.au/>.