



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHOLIC PARISH TAREE

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC PARISH WINGHAM

Mass centres of Cundletown, Harrington, Lansdowne & Old Bar

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21ST FEBRUARY 2021

THIS WEEK'S READINGS
21ST FEBRUARY 2021

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: Gen 9:8-15 I will recall the covenant between myself and you... the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 24:4-9. R. see v.10 (R.) Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

SECOND READING: 1 Pt 3:18-22 The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Mt 4:4
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from
the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: Mk 1:9-15 He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.

REFLECTION

Today's readings show us that Lent is a time for us to receive God's grace. We are not the ones who, through our penance, are meant to accomplish great things. Rather, it is God who acts; it is God who makes the sacrifice; it is God who accomplishes great things for us.

Each reading describes a different kind of conflict within which we might find ourselves: a world-wrenching upheaval, such as happens during social discord, war or natural disaster; the struggle between right and wrong, between fidelity and disobedience; the struggle with temptation. In the midst of the conflicts of life, God initiates a covenant with us. God saves the world from the chaos into which it was thrown, makes a covenant with all living things and with the earth, and sets a bow in the heavens as a perpetual reminder of the covenant. Christ dies for sinners, and offers them baptism that will save them from the chaos of their lives. The Spirit drives Jesus into the desert, there to be tested, but to emerge triumphant. His victory is not for him alone, but for all who will heed his words and follow his example.

The bow in the sky is a sign of the good news of the covenant; baptism is both the good news of salvation for us and our pledge of fidelity to God; Jesus' proclamation is that the reign of God is at hand. With the psalmist we praise God for inviting us into this covenant relationship.

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

28TH FEBRUARY 2021

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: Gen 22:1-2. 9-13. 15-18 The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 115:10. 15-19. R. 114:9 (R.) I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

SECOND READING: Rom 8:31-34 God did not spare his own Son.

GOSPEL: Mk 9:2-9 This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him.

PRAYER LIST FOR TAREE & WINGHAM PARISHES

SICK: Bill Abdo, Sandra Baker, Maureen Barrett, Sue Berry, Cathy Callinan, Josh Corbett, Bev Crouch, Terry Donnelly, Amy Douglas, Maree Dunne, Joan Edstein, John Flint, Brendan Foster, Teddy Herrera, Michael Holstein, Alexandra Hallunt Howard, Lesley Eady, Ken Fitton, Betty Howard, Camo Hyde, Halle Kiehne, Barbara Madigan, Liza Mirabello, Brenda McIntyre, Robert McGregor, John Minihan, Josephine Mockford, Neil Moroney, Josephine Murphy, Martin Murphy, Linda Norris, Nicholas Parker, John O'Keefe, Fr Paul O'Neill, Elizabeth Ray, Noreen Russell, Janora Senders, Josie Sierro, Marie Stanford, Jim Smith, Tom Salmon, Joan Saxby, Paul Schneider, Rose Sammut, Liz Taylor, Fr Hugh Thomas, Rory Turnbull, Muriel Wiseman, Paul White, Tilby Marie Williams.

ANNIVERSARIES: Caecilia Maria Ploder, Robert Armitage, Michael Armitage, Colleen Armand

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PARISH CALENDAR 2021

MONDAY 22ND FEBRUARY
THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE

TUESDAY 23RD FEBRUARY
ST POLYCARP

5.30pm Taree Mass

WEDNESDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

11.00am Lansdowne Mass

5.30pm PPC Meeting

THURSDAY 25TH FEBRUARY

9.30am Taree Mass

7.00pm RCIC Children Orientation

FRIDAY 26TH FEBRUARY

9.00am Taree Mass

3.00pm Adoration at Old Bar

5.15pm Taree Finance Council Meeting

SATURDAY 27TH FEBRUARY

6.00 pm Taree Mass

6.00 pm Harrington SCAE

SUNDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

7.30 am Old Bar SCAE

7.30 am Wingham MASS

9.30am Taree Mass

COVID 19 MASS ATTENDANCE REGULATIONS:

1. Please kindly scan the QR code before entering and show the confirmation details to our volunteers at the door. People who are unable to sign in using the QR codes may do it manually. Our volunteers are willing to assist.

2. The volunteers at the church door will tick your name if attending the following weeks service.

3. If you are unable to attend you will need to **rebook via** the office. **Please leave a message on the phone if the Parish Office is unattended.**

4. Please do not attend the SCAE or Mass service if you are not feeling well.

RITE OF ELECTION

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
OF ADULTS
21ST FEBRUARY 2021

Time: 2.30pm

Where: Sacred Heart Cathedral
841 Hunter St, Newcastle West

Afternoon Tea with Catechumens, their Sponsors and families follows the Rite

RSVP for catering purposes to
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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC SAFEGUARDING STANDARDS

We are requesting volunteers who have not yet submitted their Volunteer Induction forms to **please** contact the Parish Office to get a copy of the Volunteer Induction Handbook version 1.5 as soon as possible. Please fill out the forms provided in the handbook and return to the Parish Office with your updated Working With Children check or Police Check if required. Please note that this process is very important to comply with the Catholic Safeguarding Standards.

RCIC CHILDREN ORIENTATION will be held at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree on Thursday 25th February at 7.00pm.

DONATIONS OF PALMS FOR PALM SUNDAY:

Donations of Palms required for Couples for Christ to make crosses for Palm Sunday- please bring to the Presbytery. We will also need large Palms to decorate the church to be brought to the Presbytery before 28th March.



THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER will be held at Star of the Sea, Harrington, Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Taree and Wingham Uniting Church on Friday, 5th March 2021 at 10.00am and 7.00pm at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Old Bar.

ST MARY'S PIETY STORE will be opened in the front foyer of Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree on Saturdays after 6.00pm mass and on Sundays after 9:30am mass. Your support is appreciated.

LANSDOWNE CHURCH: A Holy Mass will be celebrated at Lansdowne Church on Wednesday, 24th February at 11.00am. Please book via the Parish Office 6552-1084. Leave a message on the phone if the Parish Office is unattended.

YOUTH MASS: We would like to thank all the students, teachers and volunteers behind the success of the Youth Mass last Sunday, 14th February at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree. Thank you to all the parishioners who give their non-stop support to our youth.

MEN'S BIBLE GROUP meet at the Resource Centre every Wednesday from 12.00 noon to 2.00 pm.

COUPLES FOR CHRIST members meet at the Resource Centre the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 10.00am. Please contact Susie Ploder 0414309834 if you are interested in joining the group. All welcome.

ST MARY'S CATERING GROUP: We would like to thank Cheryl Kingsford and all the members of the catering group for the delicious pancakes and good service rendered to parishioners on Shrove Tuesday.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Closed

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

9.00am-3.30pm