



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

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13TH MARCH 2022

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

13TH MARCH 2022

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: Gen 15:5-12. 17-18
God made a covenant with Abraham,
his faithful servant.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 26:1. 7-9. 13-14. R. v.1 (R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

SECOND READING: Phil 3:17 – 4:1
Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:

this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: Lk 9:28-36 As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed, and his clothing became brilliant as lightning.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

20TH MARCH 2022

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: Ex 3:1-8. 13-15 This is what you must say to the children of Israel: I Am has sent me to you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 102:1-4. 6-8. 11. R. v.8 (R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

SECOND READING: 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 All this that happened to the people of Moses in the desert was written for our benefit.

GOSPEL: Lk 13:1-9 Unless you repent you will all perish as they did.

THE 'GROUP OF CATECHISTS' AND CATCHISTS GENERALLY; A "...LEAVEN IN THE DOUGH..." (Matt 13:33)

Re-capping on last week!

Firstly, we looked at the 'group of catechists' referred to in the 2020 Directory for Catechesis (D.C). Quite significantly, the Directory indicates that the Parish Priest (Pastor in Directory terms) ministry includes recognising the group of catechists as a 'locus of communion' (D.C #116) in the parish community. This means that the presence and service of the '*group of catechists*' helps to deepen the unity of the overall Faith life of the of the parish community.

Secondly. It almost goes without saying that we already see in fellow parishioners those whose works of loving service are already a witness to their Faith or '*life in Christ*' (Cols 5). In other words they are already 'being' catechists!

Thirdly. A few weeks ago we noted that for many years the parishes in our Diocese have used what's referred to as the Five Foundations as a framework around which to construct parish life and activities. The Five Foundations are;

Worship and Prayer

Identity and Community

Formation and Education

Mission and Outreach

Leadership and Structure

Looking at the above, we can fairly easily identify how various parish groups, committees or Councils fit in one or other of the above.

Fourthly. Today, you are invited to personally call to mind one or two parishioners who in fact serve us all with that love of Christ in their hearts- and how that service of theirs can be seen to fit within one or more of the above Foundations. These fellow parishioners could at some future time be approached and invited to consider helping to form such a '*group of catechists*' in our parishes of Taree and Wingham? They would a form of parish team to together help serve the everyday, 'hands on' aspects of our parishes' life and mission. Growing in understanding of the 'catechists vocation' would be an initial and ongoing work as well (Parish Councils are the overall, and longer term planning group, and who could help assess the merits of a possible emergence of a '*group of catechists*').

Lastly the Directory indicates that simply the presence of a 'group of catechists' helps to gradually animate the whole parish community. I liken this influence as being an expression of the parable of the Kingdom being likened to the "*...leaven in the dough...*" (Matt 13:33). These are challenging and difficult times, and it is important we prayerfully consider and seek God's blessing and guidance on any possible initiative like this. So keep this in your prayers please. Your comments and feedback about this are welcome.

Fr Kevin

PARISH CALENDAR 2022

TUESDAY 15TH MARCH

10.00AM OLD BAR ROSARY
4.30PM TAREE RECONCILIATION
5.30PM TAREE MASS
6.00PM LITURGY MEETING
6.15PM ROSARY AT WINGHAM

WEDNESDAY 16TH MARCH

9.30AM TAREE MASS
5.30PM PARISH PASTORAL MEETING

THURSDAY 17TH MARCH

5.30PM CUNDLETOWN MASS
6.00PM CUNDLETOWN RECONCILIATION
6.30PM ST PATRICK'S DINNER

FRIDAY 18TH MARCH

9.00AM TAREE MASS
10AM ROSARY AT WINGHAM

SATURDAY 19TH MARCH

SAINT JOSEPH FEAST DAY

9.30AM TAREE MASS
6.00pm Taree Mass
6.00pm Harrington SCAE

SUNDAY 20TH MARCH

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

7.00am Old Bar Rosary
7.30am Old Bar SCAE
6.50am Wingham Rosary
7.30am Wingham Mass
9.30am Taree Mass

INTENDED CHANGES TO

MASS TIMES

Weekday Masses

Each Thursday the Taree Parish Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Catholic Church Cundletown at 5.30pm. After Mass, the Sacrament of Penance will be available from 6.00pm to 6.30pm.

VOLUNTEER SRE TEACHER needed for Old Bar Public School to teach Year 1 and Year 2 group from 11:40am -12.10pm on Wednesdays. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

10.00am Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
Wingham
(Rosary + Stations of the Cross)
9.00am Star of the Sea Church Harrington
3.00pm Our Lady of the Rosary
Church Taree
6.30pm Our Lady of Fatima Church
Old Bar

EVERY THURSDAY DURING LENT

4.30pm St Patrick's, Cundletown

TAREE YOUTH MASS

We will be celebrating a Youth Mass at Taree on the 1st Sunday of each month. Any youth of the Parish interested in reading or serving during the Mass please contact Bernadette or Laura Boere at bernadette.boere@mn.catholic.edu.au or laura.boere@mn.catholic.edu.au

ST MARY'S PIETY STORE : A fine selection of books and cards relating to The

Stations of the Cross are now available.

New stocks of medals and Rosary Beads are now in!

ST PATRICK'S DAY

DINNER



St Mary's Hall
Thursday 17th March
6.30pm for 7.00pm start
Cost \$15.00 per person
Dress theme: Wear Green
R.S.V.P and payment to Parish office
by 15th March.

THE PROPOSED BACK OF TAREE PRESBYTERY GARDEN SPACE

The intention of "starting small" is a wise decision. Two above ground garden beds are in mind. Wood enclosed garden beds can be expensive, and chemically treated timber a concern. An Aussie timber, cypress pine is natural anti termite however difficult to obtain . Solution?

Bessa—bricks or their equivalent. Would any parishioners have a store of these to donate? (The garden is a future small grove of fruit trees aims to be little Pope



PRAYER LIST FOR TAREE AND WINGHAM PARISHES

SICK: Sandra Baker, Sue Berry, Cathy Callinan, James Corben, Bev Crouch, Consie de Dassel, Ken Fitton, Remedios Gayoma, Betty Howard, David Hutchison, Halle Kehiene, Patricia Moffat, Neil Moroney, Josephine Murphy, Martin Murphy, Linda Norris, Rose Sammut, Colleen Smith, Bob Smith, Liz Taylor, Robert Vaccaro, Paul White, Noel Wolfenden,

ANNIVERSARIES: Robert Armitage, Michael Armitage, Emily Cowan, Gustav Debono, Anthony Ison, Benjamin Ison, Emily Cowan, John Michael Canty, Mary Agnes Canty, Mary Ellen Myers, Frederick Andrew Reidy, May Frances Reidy

RECENTLY DECEASED: PETER QUINN, GEORGE DEBONO

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

