



## 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

**PENTECOST SUNDAY - YEAR C**

**5TH JUNE 2022**

## PARISHES OF TAREE AND WINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL RESPONSE TO OUR PARISH SURVEY FEEDBACK FORM

Our Parish Council members were pleased to receive just over 60 replies to the recent Survey Form.

The first question clearly communicated the deep appreciation felt for the gift of our Catholic Faith and of our being able to gather and celebrate our weekend Masses.

Understandably our second question drew a variety of replies. Parish Council members agreed that the clear majority of replies recommended two directions for our parishes to focus upon over the next year.

Firstly, there is the strongly expressed desire for our parishes to do what we can to encourage and support the return of parishioners who have become disengaged from parish life and weekend Mass. There was a sense of missing their presence amongst us and a desire to experience re-connections.

Secondly there is an equally strong desire that we do whatever we are able to engage with youth and younger families and welcome their involvement in parish and participation in Sunday Masses. Words like 'outreach' 'welcoming' 'engagement' and 'evangelisation' were used.

### OTHER LESS FREQUENTLY MENTIONED SURVEY RECOMMENDATIONS

A need to ensure good ongoing pastoral care for the housebound and the aged particularly in the nursing homes; opportunities for more interaction with parishioners- enhancing sense of community and of welcome; better communication within the parish communities; desire for different Mass settings (singing); a re-location of the tabernacle to centre of Taree Church; opportunities for faith education.

PARISH COUNCIL DISCUSSION ABOUT POSSIBLE RESPONSES TO THE PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE SURVEY  
Parish Council members shared an extended general discussion on the following:

Over the next 12 month period, for our parishes to consider organising some ongoing community building events.

For example. Could our parishes hold a series of Parish Lunches, Dinners and or Breakfasts gatherings? These could be organised in a number of settings. These could be occasions where parishioners attend and that they extend a personal invitation for others to accompany them? One such event could include involvement of St Clare's hospitality course students. Another similar luncheon/dinner could be an informative occasion with a Guest-Speaker attending. Other such occasions could focus upon education in Faith. Another occasion could for example invite the attendance of our Primary School teachers who in turn could invite a family from their school? There may be other, easier to organise actions which also serve to achieve the Survey desire for opportunities for community interaction; of welcome and of outreach.

Our Parish Council discussion also raised the need for opportunities for invited guests to visit the parishes and offer opportunities for eg a Retreat, or other opportunities for prayer.

It was noted that some matters like the following were hardly mentioned or not mentioned at all in the Survey Feedback:

### THE NEEDY AND THE HOMELESS IN OUR COMMUNITIES

For example, what may be a specific parish response to the high degree of social need and of homelessness in our communities?

*(Continued on next page...)*

*(We are in the country of the Worimi, Gamilleroi, Wanarua, Gweagul, Darkinjung, Biripi and Awabakal peoples. We respectfully acknowledge their Elders, celebrate their continuing culture and the living memory of their ancestors.)*

Mention here was made of parishioners who already assist the broader community in this. The question was raised if our parishes consider the merit of acquiring eg a special BBQ trailer for provision of food in the community in times of need, or when emergencies occur?

## PROTECTING GOD'S CREATION AND REVERSING ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE

It was also noted that the growing national awareness of the need for all to take responsibility to repair and reverse the destructive results of human activity on the planet was not referred to. At the Parish Council meeting, it was noted that Pope Francis has written a major teaching on this subject. It is called Laudato Si. Last year pope Francis commenced a 5 year Action Plan to help promote environmental care actions. Pope Francis explains that this is part of our Faith in Christ- to care for God's creation. In terms of Faith Education and formation, could our parishes consider providing opportunities to learn about Laudato Si over the next 12 months- and develop a parish response?

The Parish Council noted that we will likely need new Parish Council members (if not a distinct Parish Team) in order to help our parishes engage with some of the things which the Survey has raised. Please give these matters your thoughtful and prayerful consideration. This Pentecost, we pray God's Spirit will bless, help and guide us. More information soon. We recall Jesus' words "**you are my friends if you do what I command you**" (John 15:14). As one Council member said:

**"At the end of the day, people are only going to be attracted by friendship"**

*Father Kevin*

*and Members of Parish Council*

*(Anne King, Peter Neal, Di Foster, Quentin Schneider, Susie Ploder, Herbie Ploder, Brian Lincoln and School Principals -Melissa Hunt, Frank Jones, Peter Nicholls )*

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

### FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### SECOND READING: 1Cor 12:3-7,12-13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*"In the one Spirit we were all baptised,  
making one body."*

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30  
Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM



### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: Jn 20:19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

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*“As the Father sent me, so I send you:  
Receive the Holy Spirit.”*

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, ‘Peace be with you,’ and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. ‘As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.’ After saying this he breathed on them and said: ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

### PENTECOST SEQUENCE

Holy Spirit, Lord of light,  
From the clear celestial height  
Thy pure beaming radiance give.  
Come, thou Father of the poor,  
Come with treasures which endure;  
Come, thou light of all that live!  
Thou, of all consolers best,  
Thou, the soul’s delightful guest,  
Dost refreshing peace bestow;  
Thou in toil art comfort sweet;  
Pleasant coolness in the heat;  
Solace in the midst of woe.  
Light immortal, light divine,  
Visit thou these hearts of thine,  
And our inmost being fill:  
If thou take thy grace away,  
Nothing pure in man will stay;  
All his good is turned to ill.  
Heal our wounds, our strength renew;  
On our dryness pour thy dew;  
Wash the stains of guilt away:  
Bend the stubborn heart and will;  
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;  
Guide the steps that go astray.  
Thou, on us who evermore  
Thee confess and thee adore,  
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:  
Give us comfort when we die;  
Give us life with thee on high;  
Give us joys that never end.

### NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

**FIRST READING:** Prv 8:22-31  
Wisdom was born before the earth was made.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 8:4-9. R. v.2 (R.) O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

**SECOND READING:** Rom 5:1-5  
To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.

**GOSPEL:** Jn 16:12-15 Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

### Pentecost

#### “My Peace I give to you”

I come to you in the ranging wind  
In tongues of blazing fire  
I bring to you my awesome strength  
And my Almighty power

I come to you as freshness  
The coolness of a gentle breeze  
I quench your thirst your broken heart  
All its pain - I ease

I teach the Way of Him  
Who gave His life for you  
I comfort the weary traveller  
His strength I will renew

I come in guise of pure simplicity  
A bird of earth the Father’s choice  
Sent from Him above  
I come to you in lowliness  
As a humble little Dove

My name is Mercy, Peace and Joy  
I am the God of Love.

*Poem by Ellen Smith*

*RIP 03/09/2019*

*From Issue 79 Parish Paper*

**50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY BLESSING:** A simple prayer of blessing will be prayed during Old Bar Mass this Sunday for Mike and Linda Norris who celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at this time on this Feast of Pentecost. (Best man Ross Stuart with wife Ida will be present today. Welcome!) May the gift of God’s Spirit of love bless Mike and Linda and all whose wedding anniversaries occur around this time. *Fr Kevin*

### PRAYER LIST FOR TAREE AND WINGHAM PARISHES

**SICK:** Sandra Baker, Sue Berry, Cathy Callinan, Bev Crouch, Ken Fitton, Betty Howard, David Hutchison, John Minihan, Patricia Moffat, Neil Moroney, Linda Norris, Patricia Ryan, Rose Sammut, Liz Taylor, Paul White, Noel Wolfenden.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Brenda MacIntyre, Tom Holden

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Ailsa Turner

## PARISH NOTICES

*Our Lady of  
Perpetual  
Help  
Feast Day:  
27th June 2022*



### LADIE'S 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.

## PARISH CALENDAR 2022

### MONDAY 6TH JUNE

MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

5.30PM TAREE MASS - SYRO MALABAR  
INDIAN COMMUNITY

### TUESDAY 7TH JUNE

10.00am Old Bar Rosary  
4.30PM TAREE RECONCILIATION  
5.30PM TAREE MASS  
6.00PM WINGHAM ROSARY

### WEDNESDAY 8TH JUNE

9.30am Taree Mass

### THURSDAY 9TH JUNE

5.30pm Cundletown Mass  
6.00pm Cundletown Reconciliation

### FRIDAY 10TH JUNE

9.00AM TAREE MASS  
10.00AM WINGHAM ROSARY

### SATURDAY 11TH JUNE

ST BARNABAS, APOSTLE

4.10pm Wingham Rosary  
4.45pm Wingham Mass  
5.00pm Harrington SCAE  
6.15pm Taree Mass

### SUNDAY 12TH JUNE

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7.00am Old Bar Rosary  
7.30am Old Bar SCAE  
7.30am Lansdowne Mass  
9.30am Taree Mass

### **SWIFT / DUREAU FAMILY GROUP**

*Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 12.00noon*

We are gathering at Chatham Chinese Restaurant for a meal together and hope you can come! Need a ride? – please ask. Numbers need to be booked ahead so please ring Bill & Marg Taylor 6552.5438 by Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you.

*Margaret S. and May.*

**INDIAN COMMUNITY** A Holy Mass in Syro - Malabar Rite will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree on Monday 6th June at 5.30pm.

### **THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI**

A Holy Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree on Sunday, 19th June at 9.30am. followed by A Blessed Sacrament Procession with Prayers for World Peace (Father to carry Monstrance with parishioners processing around the block to Pulteney Street along Wynter Street and back into Albert Street).

### **WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES**

The Holy Mass for the celebration of World Meeting of Families will be held at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree on Sunday 26th June at 9.30am.



**Office of  
Safeguarding**  
DIOCESE OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE

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/>**

### **ST MARY'S PIETY STORE**

is open in the front foyer of Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree after Mass on weekends. New stock of Prayer Cards are now available . Prayers Given to Us by Our Lady and the 9 First Fridays- available now at \$2 each.



### **Parish Gathering 2022**

9.00am-12.00am

Saturday 2nd July at St Mary's Hall

*with our guests*

**Teresa Brierley**

(Director Pastoral Ministries)

*and*

**Fr Matthew Muller**

(Chancellor and Canonical Advisor)

**from the Diocese of  
Maitland-Newcastle**

*Purpose of the Visit to the Parish:*

*Gather the Parish*

*Overview of models of Parish Leadership*

*Begin or review Pastoral Planning  
for the Parish*

*Imagine where the parish will be in 6 and  
12 years time*

*Respond to any questions as to*

*"Why are we here today?"*

*Morning Tea and light lunch will be  
served on the day.*

*Please RSVP to the Parish Office for  
catering purposes.*

### **MORNING TEA AND FAREWELL TO SR ELLEN**

Pentecost Sunday, 5th June

At St Mary's Hall

Our Pentecost Day morning tea after 9.30am Mass at Taree will also be a suitable moment for us to express best wishes to Sr Ellen Shanahan who will soon move to new accommodation with other Josephite Sisters at Lochinvar. All welcome to come and honour and thank Sr Ellen.

### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**TUESDAY 14TH JUNE**

**9.00AM-1.00PM**

Back to usual office hours

9.00am-3.30pm on

Wednesday 15th June