



ST MARY'S PARISH, BELLINGEN

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

Parish Church:
Mary Immaculate, Mother of God
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Sacrament of Penance
Bellingen: Fridays (except 1st Friday of the month)
Urunga: Every 1st Sat 9:30-10:30am
Other times by appointment.

Baptisms: Minimum 1 month notice.
Weddings: Minimum of 6 months' notice.
Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office.

Sunday Mass Times	
Saturday Urunga	5:30pm
Sunday Bellingen	8:00am
Sunday Dorriggo (S.H. Chapel)	10:30am
Communion to sick (Sun pm)	19 October Bellingen/Urunga area
Weekday Mass Times 21 – 24 October 2025	
Tuesday Urunga	CANCELLED
Wednesday Bellingen	7:00am Pope St John Paul II and Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday Dorriggo	10:30am Funeral Mass for Nola Tyson
Friday Bellingen	9:15am

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY. Let us pray for and support all missionaries and remember that we are all called to be missionaries wherever we find ourselves.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:



Please advise the Parish Office if you would like to be including next month's sick list.

Sick: Marie Casey, Kathleen Gilbert, Paul Garnett

Deceased: Nola Tyson, Malcolm Carr

Masses are being offered for: Ray Devoy, Bill Casey, Dominic Hassan

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Fr Paul brings Holy Communion to the sick, and those too frail and vulnerable to attend Sunday Mass, every 2nd Sunday afternoon.

If this is your situation, and you would like Fr Paul to bring Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office for details.



READINGS FOR 30th SUNDAY YEAR C

Sirach 35:12-14,16-19; Ps 33(34); 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18; Luke 18:9-14

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

ON WEDNESDAY

1pm and repeated at 7pm

Topic: The Bible and the Sacraments Part 3

Bring your Bible!

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

in the parish church Bellingen
**Every Wednesday morning
immediately after the 7am mass
concluding at around 8:30am
COME AND SPEND SOME SILENT
PRAYER WITH THE LORD**

SAFEGUARDING IN THE DIOCESE

The Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contacted if you have any Safeguarding concerns. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support, and discuss all options available. Contact the Safeguarding Office
- Phone: (02) 6621 9444 or
Email: safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au



INAUGURAL SERMON OF POPE ST JOHN PAUL II

Peter came to Rome! What else but obedience to the inspiration received from the Lord could have guided him and brought him to this city, the heart of the Empire? Perhaps the fisherman of Galilee did not want to come here. Perhaps he would have preferred to stay there, on the shores of Lake of Genesareth, with his boat and his nets. Yet guided by the Lord, obedient to his inspiration, he came here!

According to an ancient tradition, Peter tried to leave Rome during Nero's persecution. However, the Lord intervened and came to meet him. Peter spoke to him and asked, "Quo vadis, Domine?" — "Where are you going, Lord?" And the Lord answered him at once: "I am going to Rome to be crucified again." Peter went back to Rome and stayed here until his crucifixion.

Our time calls us, urges us, obliges us, to gaze on the Lord and to immerse ourselves in humble and devout meditation on the mystery of the supreme power of Christ himself.

He who was born of the Virgin Mary, the carpenter's Son (as he was thought to be), the Son of the living God (as confessed by Peter), came to make us all "a kingdom of priests".

The Second Vatican Council has reminded us of the mystery of this power and of the fact that Christ's mission as Priest, Prophet-Teacher and King continues in the Church. Everyone, the whole People of God, shares in this threefold mission. Perhaps in the past the tiara, that triple crown, was placed on the Pope's head in order to signify by that symbol the Lord's plan for his Church, namely that all the hierarchical order of Christ's Church, all "sacred power" exercised in the Church, is nothing other than service, service with a single purpose: to ensure that the whole People of God shares in this threefold mission of Christ and always remains under the power of the Lord; a power that has its source not in the powers of this world, but instead in the mystery of the Cross and the Resurrection.

The absolute, and yet sweet and gentle, power of the Lord responds to the whole depths of the human person, to his loftiest aspirations of intellect, will and heart. It does not speak the language of force, but expresses itself in charity and truth.

The new Successor of Peter in the See of Rome today makes a fervent, humble and trusting prayer: Christ, make me become and remain the servant of your unique power, the servant of your sweet power, the servant of your power that knows no dusk. Make me a servant: indeed, the servant of your servants.

Brothers and sisters, do not be afraid to welcome Christ and accept his power. Help the Pope and all those who wish to serve Christ and with Christ's power to serve the human person and the whole of mankind.

Do not be afraid. Open, I say open wide the doors for Christ. To his saving power open the boundaries of states, economic and political systems, the vast fields of culture, civilization and development. Do not be afraid. Christ knows "that which is in man". He alone knows it.

So often today, man does not know that which is in him, in the depths of his mind and heart. So often he is uncertain about the meaning of his life on this earth. He is assailed by doubt, a doubt which turns into despair. We ask you, therefore, we beg you with humility and with trust, let Christ speak to man. He alone has words of life, yes, of life eternal.

POPE ST JOHN PAUL II (1920 – 2005 AD)

Karol Józef Wojtyła was born in 1920 in Wadowice, Poland. After his ordination to the priesthood and theological studies in Rome, he returned to his homeland and resumed various pastoral and academic tasks. He became first auxiliary bishop and, in 1964, Archbishop of Kraków and took part in the Second Vatican Council. On 16 October 1978 he was elected pope and took the name John

Paul II. His exceptional apostolic zeal, particularly for families, young people and the sick, led him to numerous pastoral visits throughout the world. Among the many fruits which he has left as a heritage to the Church are above all his rich Magisterium and the promulgation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church as well as the Code of Canon Law for the Latin Church and for the Eastern Churches. In Rome on 2 April 2005, the eve of the Second Sunday of Easter (or of Divine Mercy), he departed peacefully in the Lord. He was canonized by Pope Francis on 27 April, the Second Sunday of Easter 2014.

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