CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH

Sacred Heart & Mary Immaculate



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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Lately I've been listening to a science-based podcast on healthy daily living. The host frequently discusses the wide range of health benefits of sleep. So, each night I'm trying to get more, and better, slumber, and it's helping me feel energized. So, why in the world should we follow Christ's advice this week? "Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house will come ... lest he find you asleep." Isn't sleep, especially at midnight and cockcrow, a good thing?

Of course, it is. But the wakefulness the Lord calls us to is a deep, personal orientation to Him. A nightly vigil is therefore a metaphor for this, but it's not just that. We should give up real sleep in order to pray, too. This difficult practice is a time-tested way to foster wakefulness of heart. When we give up sleep to pray, it focuses us. We learn that life is not an endless series of days. You and I belong to the Lord — awake or asleep, in life and in death. Sooner or later, even our need for our physical sleep will pass away. And our attentiveness to God — that is, whether we are awaiting Him to meet us — will be all that matters.

May I challenge us this week and this Advent to intentionally give up at least one hour of sleep each week for prayer? Stay up later, wake up in the middle of the night, or an hour earlier, and pray. Will we be a bit more tired the next day? Yes. But we'll be amazed at the spiritual wakefulness that results, too.— Father John Muir ©LPi

The worshipping communities of Sacred Heart, Yeppoon & Mary Immaculate, Emu Park acknowledge the Darumbal People the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, and pay respect to their elders: past, present, and emerging.

For we too are one in land, one in spirit, one in faith, united in God's love.



LITURGIES



Date	Time	Mass
Tues 5 Dec	9:00am	Anointing Mass,
		Mary Immaculate
Wed 6 Dec	9:00am	Mass, Adoration & Rosary,
		Sacred Heart
Fri 8 Dec	9:00am	Anointing Mass,
		Sacred Heart
	2:00pm	Rosary
Sat 9 Dec	5:15pm	Mary Immaculate
Sun 10 Dec	8:00 -8:30am	Sacred Heart,
		Reconciliation
(2nd Sun of	9:00am	Sacred Heart
Advent)	5:00pm	Sacred Heart

Advent Penitential Service Sacred Heart Church 6pm, Thursday 14th December 2023

There will be 3 priests available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation for those who wish to celebrate the Sacrament

WEEKEND ROSTER This weekend - 1st Sunday of Advent 2nd & 3rd December 5.15pm Sat 9am Sunday 5pm Sunday Mary Immac. Sacred Heart Sacred Heart Commentator John Sean Fallis Margaret McAuliffe-McKenna Harris First Reader Maurice Parishioner Peter Maloney Conway Second Reader Nini Sielaf Kathv Parishioner Malonev 2nd Sunday of Advent 9th & 10th December Next weekend -Commentator Warren Margaret Goodman Middleton McAuliffe-Harris Parishioner First Reader Christine Catherine **Davids** Weaver Second Reader Michele Parishioner Frin Hutchinson Connors

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CHRISTMAS MASSTIMES

4th Sunday Advent

Saturday 23 December 2023 5:15pm Mass Mary Immaculate

Sunday 24 December 2023 9:00am Mass Sacred Heart

Nativity of the Lord

Sunday 24 December 2023

4:30pm Carols Mary Immaculate 5:00pm Mass Mary Immaculate

6:30pm Carols Sacred Heart 7:00pm Mass Sacred Heart

Monday 25 December 2023

9:00am Mass Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart Church 7 Tabor Drive Yeppoon

Mary Immaculate Church 38 Archer Street Emu Park

pray for



The sick:

Ollie Miles, Michael Jones, Carolyn Perkins, Doreen Quinn, Anthony Withoos, Joan Conaughton, Bill Schofield, Ravi Ramswarup, Denis Malone, Fr. Peter Tonti.

The recently deceased:

Louise Page, Gavin Massie, Tom Harris, Richard Reed, Rosalie Steyn, Tony Schofield, William Edwin Senn, Catherine Marshall, Dave Madigan.

Those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Warren Williams, Shane Hocking, Anthony Bowman, Leo Hansby, Carmel Schick, Carmel Gormley, Shane Hansby, Doug Read, Mary Nash.

Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful,
enkindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit
and they shall be created.
And you shall renew the face of the earth.



Let us pray.
O God, who instruct the hearts of the faithful
by the light of the Holy Spirit,
grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise,
and ever to rejoice in your consolation.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen

LAST CHANCE!!

WORD AMONG US SUBSCRIPTION

This is your last opportunity to receive a yearly subscription to this wonderful little prayer tool. It is a monthly edition containing daily meditations based on the Mass readings, Inspiring stories of saints and practical prayer starters to draw you closer to God. The cost is \$48 for the year. If you would like to subscribe, please advise Helen on helenmcintyre50@gmail.com or text on 0409051495 before the end of the week.

Date Claimers:

22 Feb 2024: Ordination to Priesthood of Deacon Peter Doherty

3rd & 4th February Enrollment Lent & Easter 2024: ALPHA Program

Meet in the Middle

Will be held Monday 11th December. We will gather at the Waterline Café at 10am for our final meet for the year. Please wear your Christmas clothes and bling!! Also feel free to share any interesting Christmas stories you may have. See you there!

THIS WEEK'S SHARED MEAL

Mary Immaculate: after 5:15pm Mass

Sacred Heart: after 9am Mass

Join us for a chat and a catch up. Bring a plate to share if able.

CHRISTMAS APPEAL - ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Parishioners are invited to donate non-perishable goods to the 2023 St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal for Christmas Hampers for families in need.

Baskets are available in the foyers of both Sacred Heart Church, Yeppoon, and Mary Immaculate Church, Emu
Park.

Envelopes are available for any monetary donations. Thank you!

INVITATION: CHILDREN & PARENTS ADVENT PREPARATION

Children (3-12 years old) are invited to Advent preparation sessions at Sacred Heart Church Community Hall.

10-11am Saturday 2nd December 10-11am Saturday 9th December 10-11am Saturday 16th December 10-11am Saturday 23rd December

The sessions will focus on the Infancy narratives, the Advent wreath, and the Jesse Tree. Each session will include Scripture reflections using hands on materials, a craft item, a prayer and song.

Ph: Angela Acharya 0407 383 007 or Parish Office 4933 6171

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding training will be held after Mass for our Parish next week.

9th and 10th December

If you are unable to attend to this, there is an option available to complete an online training session. Please see the office for more information.

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton abides by the principles of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (2022) and is committed to safeguarding, with a specific focus on protecting children and adults at risk.

Vocations: To find out more, get in touch with Mick Otto at: vocations@rok.catholic.net.au or 0433 897 973.



Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
Our life our sweetness and our hope.
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in the valley of tears.
Turn then most gracious advocate,



Thine eyes of mercy towards us and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1st Reading:

Isiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8

Oh that you would tear the heavens apart and come down.

Psalm 79:

Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

2nd Reading:

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

A revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel:

Mark 13:33-37

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1st Reading: Isiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Psalm: 84

2nd Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14 Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

Thank You Parish Ministries

Our Parish Community has so many people that help around our Churches and Parish, and outreach to the community. A heart felt thank you for your generosity and your gift that you share.

All are most welcome to join us for a shared meal after Mass. Please stay as we acknowledge you and celebrate your gift of ministry.



Thank you to the school communities of Sacred Heart, St Benedict's, St Ursula's, & St Brendan's. The generosity of our Parish Schools and their contributions to St Vincent de Paul for Christmas hampers has been amazing. Schools contribute in many and varied ways to SVDP throughout the year and especially at Christmas time.

Thank you! May this Christmas time be a time of joy for all.

Congratulations to our primary school students on completing the school year. And to all our teachers who finish school this week. Merry Christmas!





The Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish would like to thank all those who supported our Melbourne Cup raffle. Our parish raised a total of \$1000, which is being donated to the Woorabinda Ministry.

Congratulations to our raffle winners:



Rhonda Maud Sue Coad
Peter & Kath Maloney Pam Milton
Hazel Massie Angela Wilczek
Ross McIntyre Helen Horton
Janet Slade Gail Goodman

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