



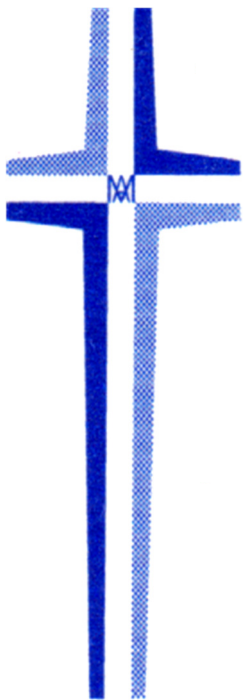
# ST JOSEPH'S PARISH FAMILY

## Weekly News

*Let Your Light Shine* (Matthew 5:16)

Consecrated to Mary Help of Christians  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C**  
**8 DECEMBER 2024**

**TODAY'S READINGS** Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6  
**NEXT WEEK** (3rd Sunday of Advent, Year C) Zephaniah 3:14-18; Isaiah 12; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18



### MORNING TEA THIS SUNDAY

A special morning tea will be held following the 9am Sunday Mass. Please join us to celebrate with **Fr MX Rego SM** on the occasion of his **(RUBY JUBILEE)** **40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION AS A MARIST FATHER**

*Deo Gratias*  
**Society of Mary**

♥ **Ruby Jubilee** ♥

of Priestly Ordination

**Fr. M.X. Rego S.M.**  
**8/12/1984 - 8/12/2024**

Feast of The Immaculate Conception



*Lord, bless my family, relatives, confreres and the People of God who have prayed for me to be faithful to you, to have a reverent concern for others, and be generous in love and service in the spirit of Mary.*

*Mary, you are a symbol  
the example of our Faith.*



**40 Years A Marist Father**



### Parish Christmas get together and thank you!

We would love you to join us in the Parish Centre

**Thursday 12 December 2024**

**From 3.30 to 5.30pm**

To celebrate Christmas as a parish community and to thank everyone for their efforts during the year.

Drinks, snacks and pizza will be provided.

**Please by phoning the parish office.**



# 2024 RENEWAL UPDATE

This year marked significant progress across five key projects in the Diocese of Lismore's Renewal Journey. It's been an honour to visit many parishes, meeting clergy, parishioners, and staff, and witness our shared vision for a vibrant future. Special thanks go to the co-ordination team and Chancery staff for their steadfast support.

## **Youth Ministry Renewal**

The Youth Ministry team, led by Fr Joy D'Souza, Gemma Ballantine, Travis Lyon, and Sister Di Moralde CM, presented a robust proposal to Bishop Greg. The plan, targeting youth engagement across age segments, aims to establish a hybrid model with regional and parish-specific youth activities.

## **Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC) Development**

Led by Fr Paul McDonald and Margaret Gill, the DPC team proposed three models for a new council, inspired by Pope Francis' call to synodality and discipleship. After consulting clergy and lay leaders, the team prepared a handbook to guide potential council members and will present their work to the Council of Priests in early 2025.

## **Inter-Parish Collaboration**

The Interparish Collaboration team, led by Fr Roland, Trevor Cooper, Jerome Fernandez facilitated workshops in Tweed Heads, Murwillumbah, and Kingscliff, focusing on financial sustainability, organisational capacity, and parish vitality. Following this success, the team plans to expand to parishes in Coffs Harbour region.

## **Lay-Led Liturgy Implementation**

After researching protocols and parish needs, the Lay-Led Liturgy team, led by Fr Michael Roohan and Kurt Challinor developed a comprehensive guide for lay-led services. They presented to Bishop Greg in November, with work in 2025 to support the formation of leaders and resources for parishes.

## **Clergy Induction and Transfer Processes**

The "Clergy Welcoming" team, led by Cathy Donnelley crafted protocols for international priest inductions and parish transfers. In November, Fr Philip Borla's induction into St Carthage's Parish, Lismore, was a pilot that highlighted valuable refinements; strengthening these processes are an essential part of the Renewal Journey.

For more information about these projects see the full annual update on the Diocese Renewal website <https://www.lismorediocese.org/renewal>

**Pastoral Projects Leader Dr Madeline Beveridge.**



**TAI CHI CLASSES**

**Thursday 3.30pm in the Parish Centre. Donation appreciated.**



# PARISH NEWS

'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" **Lk 3:4**



## HOUR OF GRACE

will be held in St Joseph's at NOON on **Sunday 8 December** led by the Legion of Mary for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary All are welcome to attend.



## St Joseph's Parish Memorial Service Saturday 14 December 2024 2PM

A time to remember of our deceased loved ones leading up to the Christmas season. If you have lost a loved one recently or from another parish and you would like to attend, please contact the parish office with the name/s of your loved one, so we can add them to our list to make a Christmas bauble.

**Following the service, we look forward to you joining us for afternoon tea in our Parish Centre, opposite the church. For catering purposes, could you please RSVP to our parish office on 0755367522**

**PASTORAL CORNER:** Next Tuesday representatives from "Lunch with Friends" will be visiting Fred's Place when they will be handing out lunches as per usual and a small Christmas gift to the homeless. These gifts were supplied by the generosity of St Joseph's Primary School students for which we are very grateful. Below is a picture of some of the children preparing the gift bags. Well done!

*"Don't forget to do good and to share with those in need" Hebrews 13:16*  
Kathy Twohill—Pastoral Associate



## LEGION OF MARY ROSARY STATUE

The statue of Our Lady has been going to families for one week at a time in our parish for many years.

If you would like to go on the roster to have this statue in your home, please contact the parish office.

***Our Lady needs to be shared.***

## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

**The recently deceased:** Antionette Beirouty, Stephen Quinos, Bernard Hunter, Evelyn Sarvaas, Fr John Begg SM, **Anniversaries:** Eileen Smith and those occurring at this time **Also:** James Laarhoven and the Relatives and friends of the Laarhoven & Lovegrove Families, and for all those whom Masses and prayers have been requested. **For those who are sick:** Fr Anthony Lemon, Pat Trappell, Carmel Williams, Violeta O'Brien, Fran McDonald, Henry Vujica, Bruce Wall, Donovan Searle, Diane Paynter, Narelle Martin, Joanne Kirk, Rae Bliss, Leon Darmody, Fay McRae, Moira Nobbs, Charmaine Denaro, Pat Wild

**PARISH PRIEST: Fr Michael Brady - [pp@stjosephs.org.au](mailto:pp@stjosephs.org.au)**  
**ASSISTANT PRIEST: Fr Nicolas Maurice & Fr MX Rego SM**  
**PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Kathy Twohill - [ktwohill@stjosephs.org.au](mailto:ktwohill@stjosephs.org.au)**

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## WEEKEND MASS TIMES

**SATURDAY VIGIL**  
@6.00 pm

**SUNDAY**  
@7am @9am

**ST CAMILLUS BILAMBIL**  
9am

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**  
Monday to Friday  
9.10am  
Saturday 9am

### ROSARY

Before Mass Monday to Friday  
Commencing at 8.40am  
Saturday 8.30am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5.00 - 5.45pm  
and 1st Friday 9.40 – 10am

### BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office  
with any Baptism enquiries.

### SACRAMENTS AND VISITS TO THE SICK

Please contact the parish office

### NEWSLETTERS

If you would like to receive the  
weekly news or any upcoming  
events and information via email  
please contact the parish office  
on 0755367522

Or email  
[tweedadmin@stjosephs.org.au](mailto:tweedadmin@stjosephs.org.au)

**14/15 DECEMBER 2024**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C**

### **6PM FR MICHAEL BRADY**

Sacristan: Len Searle  
Adult Server: Len Searle  
Liturgy Coordinators: Mary Lynch  
Commentator: Mary Lynch  
Readers: Patricia Cummins & Irene Antu  
Communion: Mandy & Enrico Barone

### **7AM FR MICHAEL BRADY**

Sacristan: A&M Laarhoven  
Adult Server: Sally Engle  
Liturgy Coordinators: Maree Laarhoven  
Commentator: Tina Lewis  
Readers: Chris Burton & Brian Turner  
Communion: Margaret Harvey & Iris Nathan

### **9AM FR NICOLAS MAURICE**

Sacristan: John Storey  
Adult Server: Kathy Twohill  
Liturgy Coordinators: Jan Rolph  
Commentator: Marie Wilkinson  
Readers: Jan Rolph & Marie Wilkinson  
Communion: Colleen Blake & S Dransfield

**9AM ST CAMILLUS, BILAMBIL: FR MX REGO SM**

## 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](mailto:safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au)

