# ST JOSEPH'S PARISH FAMILY

# **Weekly News**

Let Your Light Shine (Matthew 5:16)



TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C **5 OCTOBER 2025** 

TODAY'S READINGS Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10 NEXT WEEK (28th Sunday of Year C) 2 Kings 5:14-17; Psalm 97; 2 Timothy 2:8-13; Luke 17:11-19

### DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL

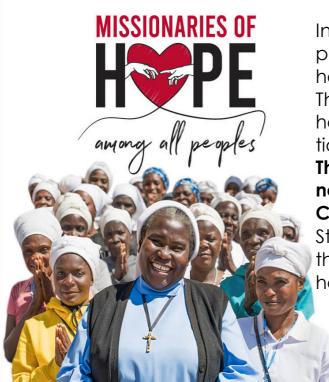
Nominations closing soon! Help shape the Diocese of Lismore

The Diocesan Pastoral Council returns in 2026. Nominations close on Friday 10 **October.** This is your chance to contribute to the life of our diocese. To listen, share, and help shape pastoral priorities alongside Bishop Greg, clergy, and fellow lay people. You can nominate yourself, someone else, or put forward a name as a parish community.

Nominate today: bit.ly/LismoreDPC Or contact the parish office for assistance.

## HIRING

Contract Cook/Cleaner 3 days a week | up to 4 hours each day For more information contact Mary-Ann via email mthackray@lismore.catholic.org.au Applications close 17 October 2025



#### **WORLD MISSION MONTH**

In Zambia, many families struggle daily with limited access to essential poverty and healthcare.

The Catholic Church stands as a Beacon of hope, supporting communities through education, sustainable livelihoods, and healthcare.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to journey with our missionaries, who are bringing Christ's love to those most in need.

Stav tuned to learn how you can be part of this mission and help create a future filled with hope.

Our Appeal will be held on 25/26 October



Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/mission

# E BIKES AND FR MICHAEL



# A Message from Fr Michael Alcock

You may have noticed with my arrival; there also arrived a range of Electric Bikes being sold on the Church grounds under the name of "Zippy E Bikes". This is a fund-raising initiative I began years ago with the hope of raising funds for Fr Telesphor Zenda and his work in the Diocese of Songea, Tanzania.

This initiative has met with limited success due to bikes being stolen and various other complications with importing goods into Australia. Nevertheless, as you can see from his comments below and accompanying photos, the

funds that Fr Telesphor has received from this project have been greatly appreciated.

This fund raising project will come to an end on Feb 1<sup>st</sup> 2026 and I thank you for your continued support in what may seem an unusual activity associated with our parish.



## A Message from Fr Telesphor

"How are you!

Just letting you know what I do with the financial support I re-

ceive. I have struggled with the church but it's done.

The inside needs repainting but the exterior was terrible. The same was with our presbytery.

What you offered last time boosted me to bring it to this level now and everybody is excited about it. My bishop has appreciated it very much.

We do it for God and his people.

Anyhow, keep well my friend and thank you!"



# **PARISH NEWS**

**PARISH PANTRY**: It's been a busy week and at the time of writing this it is only Tuesday! Thank you as always for your outstanding support of this ministry, it would not be what it is without the parish community spirit that keeps it going.

Items we are very low on at the moment are milk poppers, juice poppers, cereal (summer type like muesli/flakes etc) tins of baked beans and spaghetti, meals that you can pop the top and eat without cooking.

A happy story this afternoon ... last time I saw this fellow he was pushing a trolley with his possessions and in a bad way, he said he was going bush for a bit. Today he came in looking so much better and now has a little campervan, feeling much safer, more settled and starting to take better care of himself. Honestly makes my day when I hear and see something so positive.

SIXTH APPARITION of OUR LADY of FATIMA

October 13, 1918 was our Blessed Mother's final appearance to three shepherd children of Fatima and the occurrence of the MIRACLE of the SUN.

Please join us on MONDAY 13 OCTOBER after 9:10am Mass to pray the HOLY ROSARY for WORLD PEACE



MARION VALLEY: Please join us at Marian Valley Church for Our Lady of Fatima's Feast on Monday 13 October. The bus will be picking up sharp at 8.15 am (QLD TIME) at the Sacred Heart Church 50 Fairway Dr Clear Island Waters.

The Cost bus per person \$25 return.

To book contact Xavier 0404 843 260 or Madeleine 5529 1573.



# MEN'S GROUP

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MENS GROUP REMINDER
Lunch Tweed Heads
Bowls Club Tuesday
7 October 12.30pm NSW
11.30AM QLD

We will meet at our usual location upstairs around the corner in the main dining room.

We will have a brief meeting before lunch to discuss our ongoing activities and our Christmas lunch.

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: The recently deceased:** Shirley Batt, Julieta Vargas, Melissa Wong, Lexey Quinn, Fr Frank Mulcahy, Greg Dawes, Graham Keillah, Janice Toohey, Jonathon White, Lindsay Harvey. Shirley Down, John Ruddy,

**Anniversaries:** Dorothy Ison, Peter Bolster, **AND For those who are sick:** Leon Darmody, Pat Strotton, Fr Anthony Lemon, Elaine Thill, Donna Anderson, John Rushbrook, Denis Pommer, Rae Bliss, Jonathon Muro, Mario Formosa, Maree Kennedy, Jan Wood, Derek Chapman

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Fr Michael Alcock
ASSISTANT PRIESTS: Fr Nicolas Maurice & Fr MX Rego SM
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Kathy Twohill - ktwohill@stjosephs.org.au
PARISH ADMINISTRATION

Parish Business Manager: Mary-Ann Thackray - pbm@stjosephs.org.au Parish Secretary: Donna Neal - tweedadmin@stjosephs.org.au Phone: 07 5536 7522 PO Box 25, Tweed Heads 2485

### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

All parish Mass times are NSW time.

SATURDAY VIGIL @6.00PM SUNDAY @7AM @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 500 - 5.30PM 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

ROSTERS 11 & 12 OCTOBER 2025
TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YRC

## **6PM FR MICHAEL ALCOCK**

Sacristan: **Volunteer Needed**Adult Servers: Kathy Cripps

Liturgy Coordinator: Carmen Carra

Commentator: Nic McTaggart

Readers: Jenny Williams & Mandy Barone Communion: **Volunteer** & Carmen Carra

## **7AM FR NICOLAS MAURICE**

Sacristan: Vern Burton Adult Servers: Mary Mason

Liturgy Coordinator: Maree Laarhoven

Commentator: Gavin Holmes

Readers: Gavin Holmes & Jennifer Welk Communion: Iris Nathan & Gavin Holmes

### **9AM FR MX REGO SM**

Sacristan: Len Searle

Adult Server: Mary Mason

Liturgy Coordinators: Joy & George Cranney

Commentator: Pam Sullivan

Readers: Janita Thomson & Scott Thomson

Communion: Helen Muldoon & George Cranney



Our Parish supports and commits to embedding the;

NSW Child Safe Standards



Office of the Children's Guardian

& the

National Catholic Safeguarding Standards

