

St Francis Xavier

Catholic Parish of Ballina

Respecting a traditional people of this land, the Bundjalung people



**St Francis Xavier Church,
Cnr Cherry & Crane Streets,
Ballina**

welcome

**Holy Family Church,
94 Ballina Street,
Lennox Head.**

The Most Holy Trinity (A)

7th June, 2020

NEW MASS TIMES

LENNOX HEAD & BALLINA SATURDAY VIGIL

**5.00 pm *Holy Family Church
(seat approx. 20 people)**

**5.00 pm St Francis Xavier
(Max 45 people)
SUNDAY**

**7.30 am *Holy Family Church
(seat approx. 20 people)**

**9.00 am St Francis Xavier
11.00 am St Francis Xavier
(Max 45 people)**

**YOU MUST REGISTER AT
PARISH OFFICE TO ATTEND A
Weekend or Weekday MASS by
phoning 6681 1048
(during office hours only
9.00 am—4.00 pm)**

WEEKDAY MASS:

TUES – FRI:

12 noon (45 people)

At St Francis Xavier Church

**FROM FATHER PETER
AND**

FATHER ANSELM

**We look forward to seeing
you at our Masses in both our
Churches on weekends.**

**Please adhere to the Covid
Safe regulations upon
entering our Churches.**

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Feasts

**St Barnabas, apostle
Thursday**

**St Anthony of Padua
Saturday**



**BISHOP OF LISMORE
GREGORY HOMEMING OCD**

THE OPENING OF CHURCHES FROM 1ST JUNE 2020

- churches will open but no more than 50 people may attend at once (this must be supervised by the parish priest or delegated person);
- churches are open for prayer, Confessions, Mass, Baptisms, Funerals and Weddings;
- only 20 attendees are permitted at Weddings;
- contact details of all those entering the church (name and phone number or email address) must be recorded;
- spatial distancing (at least 1½ m from each other, the 4 square-metre rule) and hygiene directions (including regularly disinfecting the church) must be observed; attendees may sit only in marked places, to queue at a distance from others, to take care when coughing or sneezing and to avail themselves of hand sanitizer provided;
- congregational singing is suspended until further notice;
- Holy Communion shall be received on the hand only, the Chalice will not be distributed;
- those who are unwell or at high risk due to compromised immune or respiratory system should not attend; those over 70 should exercise particular caution.

Further relaxations are expected over coming months, but this will depend upon infection rates not spiking and churches being able to demonstrate responsible behaviour.

Further special directives have been issued to clergy and parishes. Even with fifty in attendance and some multiplication of Sunday Masses, many of the faithful will be unable to attend. The faithful are therefore dispensed from attending Sunday Mass. You can keep Sunday holy by setting aside some time for prayer at home, reading the Scriptures of the day, watching Mass on television or online, and asking God for the graces you would normally receive in Holy Communion.

Low Gluten Hosts are available from the Priest at all weekend Masses.

PRESBYTERY: Phone: 6686 204

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

PARISH ADMINISTRATION CENTRE:

PARISH LIBRARY:

SCHOOLS:

AGED CARE:

Administrator of Ballina Parish: Father Peter Padsungay

Assistant Priest: Father Anselm Okeke

Pastoral Associate: Sr Kathryn Sweeney rsj, Email: kathryn@sfxballina.org.au

Email: parishcouncil@sfxballina.org.au

Phone: 6681 1048; **Fax:** 6686 8774; **Email:** admin@sfxballina.org.au

Mon to Fri 8:30 am - 4:00 pm - 53-57 Cherry Street - Postal Address: PO Box 46 Ballina 2478

www.sfxballina.org.au

Library available to parishioners Mon to Fri 9 am - 4 pm;

St Francis Xavier Primary: 6686 3370 - Swift St, Ballina

Holy Family Primary: 6687 5311 - 40 Isabella Drive, Skennars Head

Xavier Catholic College: 6687 6484 - 2 Redford Drive, Skennars Head

St Anne's Long Day Care Centre: 6687 5961 - 42 Isabella Drive, Skennars Head

Crowley Care Services: 1300 139 099 - 154 Cherry St, Ballina

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED: Marie Daley, Sandra Mankowsky, Lesley Smith., Ted Murphy,

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME: Vic Norris, Shirley Parr, Bill Woodward, Len Allison,

AND ALSO FOR: Armando Bordin, James & Mary Rogers, Cath Waddell, C & S Hosie, Mick & Gwynne Waugh, Rina, Charlie & James Volpatti, Thama Walker, Kathleen Kelly, Bill & Jean Shay, Cecilia & Bill Condon Snr, Stan & Mary McKeough, Members of the SVdP Conference & Auxiliary & for all faithful departed.

AND FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Maria Potter, Corazon Accon, Nola Johnson, Kath Young, Barbara Perry, Michael Patch, Gloria Greguric, Pauline McLachlan, Bill Colenso, Michael Daley, Chanice Wills, Julie Benton, Arthur Potter, Shokat Forghani & family, Margaret Murphy, Robert Sullivan, Terry Moore, Margaret Pyne, Kathleen Campbell, Kaia Randall, Darcy Martin, Charlie Clements, Charlie Scotcher, (Aunt) Julia Paden, Rev Ray Fishwick, Glenn Campbell, Jan Kelly, Kay Harth, Maria Gorton, Peter & Reba Smidt, Asha Ousby (2 yrs), Jeanie Marie Curry, Fay Kerslake, Darryl Simpkins, Betty Albertini, Hilda Carter, Rosemary Russell, John Moreland, Dymphna Sheehy, Greg Shore, John McNamara, Yvonne & Peter Thurtell, Mal Gillies, Cecelia Waldron, Louise Wilson, Michael O'Connor, Moore, Smith, McCowan-Dann, Webber Families, Layton family, Fitch family, Maria Hosking, Kaley Nobbs, Mick O'Brien, Graham Robertson, Gregory Thomas, Gloria Greguric, Joy Hepworth, Leo Lane, Mary Topham, Bob Grant, Leisa Wotton, Michael Everson, Pat Evans, Virginia, Sarah and Peter Kolhbach, Samantha Anderson, Tony Lannan, Kim del-Signore, Crowley Village, St Andrew's Nursing Home, RSL Life Care, Bupa Aged Care. (Due to privacy laws, names are only placed on this list when requested, for six weeks)

To All Ballina Parishioners—St Francis Xavier Church

Procedure during COVID-19 Pandemic:

1. Only **45 (forty-five)** people allowed to attend Mass at one time
2. Parishioners will need to ring the Parish Office to **REGISTER** name, address and phone number (DURING OFFICE HOURS ONLY) **For Weekend Masses names must be registered by 3.00 pm on the Friday proceeding the weekend. NO ONE CAN JUST TURN UP!**
3. Parishioners who attend need to **SANITISE** and try to refrain from touching surfaces when finding a place-marked **X** to sit
4. Parishioners need to sit on and only where the **X** is marked
5. Consideration, please; to be given to **ALL** parishioners so that everyone has a chance to attend a Mass
6. At risk parishioners should be exhorted not to attend: authorities have directed that any unwell priest, staff member, volunteer or *parishioners should stay away; they recommend that people with co-morbidities (e.g. compromised immune or respiratory systems) and those over 70 years of age exercise particular caution; (from Government and Bishop guidelines)*
7. **Social distancing** is still required according to Government Regulations.
8. **Only one** entrance **side north door only** – Exit for front section of church only from the **south side door and back south door of church**

Thank you for your co-operation and consideration.

Father Peter Padsungay, Parish Administrator



NEW MASS TIMES DURING COVID-19 **UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

WEEKEND MASSES: ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH
REGISTRATION REQUIRED Phone 6681 1048 before 3.00 pm Fridays
SATURDAY VIGIL: 5.00 PM
SUNDAY: 9.00 AM
SUNDAY: 11.00 AM

WEEKDAY ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH: TUESDAY to FRIDAY
MASS TIME: 12 noon (45 people)
REGISTRATION REQUIRED Phone 6681 1048

BOTH PARISH CHURCHES OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER DURING OFFICE HOURS ONLY

Catholics from the Diocese of Lismore are still dispensed from their Sunday Mass

DIF PAYS 1.10% PER ANNUM

BALLINA AGENTS: Michael Shay, **L J Hooker** 87-89 River St Ballina 6686 2711 - Crowley Admin Office Cherry St Ballina 1300 139 099

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH BALLINA - PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM: If you are a new parishioner to Ballina or an existing one and you would like to participate in the Planned Giving Program, cards are available for completion at the Parish Administration Office. Your details will be processed and a tracking number provided. Contact SFX Parish Admin office on 6681 1048 Monday to Friday 8.30 am to 4.00 pm. For your convenience we have the option of Direct Debit and/or Envelope contribution.

Parish Notices

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR THE 2020/21 FINANCIAL YEAR are now available for collection at the back of the Church in **alphabetical order**. Please notify the Parish Office if there are changes to any of your details or if you would like to contribute to the Planned Giving Program by Direct Debit.

If you are new to the parish please consider asking for envelopes. Talk to a priest after Mass or the staff at the Parish Administration Office.

MASSES AVAILABLE ONLINE

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AVAILABLE FREE TO AIR ON TV

Channel 10 ~ every Sunday ~ Mass 6.00 am



BISHOP GREG'S SUNDAY MASS ON YOUTUBE LIVE

You are invited to view the Sunday Mass live and on demand from your devices. You can access the livestream by following the link from lismorediocese.org, or by going straight to the 'Lismore Diocese' channel on YouTube, or by pointing the camera on your smart device to



this digital code: **Time of Live Streaming:**

Sunday ~ 8.00 am

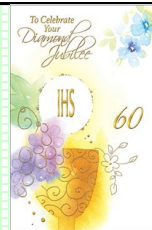
'CONGRATULATIONS'

TO FATHER JOHN KELLY

who celebrates his Diamond Jubilee (60 years) of ordination to the Priesthood this

Friday, 12th June.

Love and best wishes from all the parish.



Welcome my brothers and sisters



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St Sergius (1314-1392) was a Russian Orthodox monk. His teachings and social programs made him one of Russia's most respected spiritual leaders. His monastery of the Trinity became the Russian centre and symbol of religious renewal and national identity.

During his lifetime, Russia experienced the ravages of the Mongol invasions. Yet, St Sergius lived by the belief – *through contemplation of the most Holy Trinity we can overcome the hateful divisions of this world*. So, with trust in his conviction about the power and example of the Trinity, St Sergius worked tirelessly to bring about unity among the warring parties; who then worked *together* for Russia's economic and cultural recovery.

In celebrating the Most Holy Trinity, we remember that the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are one. We too are meant to be one as they are one. Yet sadly, this is not always so. Our world is often fractured by division, prejudice, injustice, discrimination, intolerance, fear, retribution and violence. Issues and situations often become bogged down in a mentality of "us" and "them", with little hope for respectful dialogue, understanding and compromise.

The Trinity shows us the true path to unity. In the Trinity, each Person 'identifies' with the other, gives themselves to the other and sustains the existence of the other. The example of the Trinity is something which we can follow. Can we identify with each other, recognising our common humanity, suffering with each other and walking in each others' shoes? Can we give ourselves to each other in service, carrying each other's burdens? Can we sustain the existence of each other, strengthening social structures, policies and laws to ensure that people's needs are met? Can we forgive those who have wronged us and walk together on the path to peace and reconciliation? Can we share from our abundance with those who have nothing? Can we live together respectfully, recognising that every human life is an act of love from within the creative heart of the Trinity?

A famous early 15th century Icon of the Trinity by Andrei Rublev, 'written' for St Sergius' monastery, depicts three angels (representing the Trinity) at a table with four place settings. The fourth place is vacant and invites the viewer to take the seat and enter the Trinity's relationship of unity and love.

This image can be a helpful way for us to bridge differences, find common ground and heal divisions. But it means stretching ourselves to make a space for people who are different from us. It means inviting them to 'take a seat' in our lives and embracing them with gentleness and courtesy and welcoming them as brothers and sisters in the Trinity. Today's celebration calls us to re-commit ourselves to end division and to build unity in our diversity.

David J Hore, CSsR

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Prayer for Our Community

O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our world. Knowing you are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy names of God. Amen.

Meditations@cac.org

Christian Meditation Group: is held every Saturday at 9.30 am in Anawim Room.

Ballina CCR Intercession Mondays from 10.45 to 11.45 am in the Anawim Room.

Prayer Meeting: Mondays 2.15 to 4.00 pm in the Anawim Room.

Cenacle, Marian Movement of Priests ~ Ballina Cenacle meets every Monday at 11.00 am until 12.15 pm in the Mother Teresa Room, Parish Admin Centre, Ballina.

Books are available to assist with the prayers. For further information phone 6681 1048.

All welcome to pray for our priests of the Lismore Diocese.



First Reading: Exodus 34:4-6,8-9;

A reading from the book of Exodus

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said, 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Glory and praise forever.

1. You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. **(R.)**
Blest your glorious holy name. **(R.)**
2. You are blest in the temple of your glory. **(R.)**
You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. **(R.)**
3. You are blest who gaze into the depths. **(R.)**
You are blest in the firmament of heaven. **(R.)**

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13;

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

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the

God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 3:16-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to Nicodemus,

'God loved the world so much

that he gave his only Son,

so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.

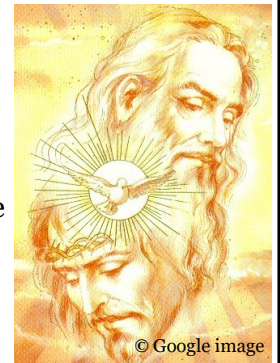
For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned;

but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already,

because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

The Gospel of the Lord.



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An Act of Spiritual Communion : My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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**SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH ~ 1st & 2nd COLLECTIONS**

Due to not being able to attend weekend Masses, parishioners with envelopes wishing to continue their contribution to the parish collection can use alternative methods.

- **By completing a form available from the Parish Office to have a credit card deduction each month for your Planned Giving Donation ONLY**
- **By making an EFTPOS donation—**
1st Collection to Ballina Presbyterium
BSB: 082 522 A/c 50960 2127 ref: your name
2nd Collection to St Francis Xavier Parish
BSB 082 522 A/c 50960 3218 Please ensure you use your Planed Giving number as reference
- **By completing a form that allows your bank to deduct your gift from your account into the account of the Parish, available from the Parish Office or, continue with your envelopes and drop them to the office, perhaps once a month. Thank you**



Position Vacant: The Catholic Diocese of Lismore is seeking applications from suitably qualified persons for the exciting new role of **Catholic Chaplain, Mid North Coast Correctional Centre** (Kempsey NSW). A Chaplain is required for a position of 70 hours a fortnight to provide high quality transformational pastoral care and spiritual support to inmates, their families/carers, and staff. The Chaplain works inclusively with people of diverse backgrounds, issues and needs, of faith or not, to sustain and empower the individual to enable holistic wellbeing and care. The successful

applicant will be an essential support to the Diocese's Vision and Mission in a dynamic community.

For further information please contact the Diocesan HR Manager on 02 6621 9444 or jobs@lismore.catholic.org.au

Applications close 5.00 pm, Wednesday 10th June, 2020.



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