

MORWELL & LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC PARISHES

Morwell Catholic Parish Vision Statement

"A welcoming, caring and inclusive community, witnessing to Christ, supporting each other, sharing our faith with all, and affirming the dignity of human life".

Sacred Heart - Morwell
St Vincent de Paul - Morwell East



Lumen Christi Parish Vision Statement

"To reflect the light of Christ to all peoples".

Lumen Christi - Churchill
St Francis de Sales - Boolarra
Our Lady of Good Counsel - Yinnar

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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C - 19TH JANUARY, 2025



Cana may enter someone's life, so that His glory may be seen. © Fr Michael Tate

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Today's gospel ends: 'He let his glory be seen.' Where? In a non-descript Galilean village at a wedding feast about to become a disaster for the couple. The wine is running out. A fiasco is impending. A hero was needed to step in and save the situation. Jesus and Mary are good candidates for hero status. But, it is the servants who are the unsung heroes. They take a huge risk. They are going to look utterly stupid if they give the steward water to ladle out. Nevertheless, they follow the stranger's directions exactly and end up serving the best of wines, saving the couple from terrible embarrassment. The Divine Glory is not going to enter people's lives with great pyrotechnics. Rather, when we do as Jesus requires, even if it looks ridiculous to the crowd, His healing and enhancing Presence can enter and save a situation of apparent disaster. We could pause for a moment to pray for a certain naïve trust in the Lord as we follow his directions, so that

Cultivating faith in young hearts



CHILDREN'S LITURGY MEETING - Children's Liturgy is a program for Primary school aged kids that adapts the Liturgy of the Word to make it relevant to the lives of children. During the Mass, the children are taken out during the Liturgy of the Word, where they will listen to God's Word, explore the meaning of the story and participate in activities/songs/prayers to help them understand God's message. Each session is lead by two people - volunteers need a Working with children check (WWCC) and need to sign the Parish Code of conduct. The program is run at Sacred Heart, 10.30am Mass, once a month but we are looking at twice a month in 2025. If you are interested in helping out or finding out more, **please meet with Louise Varsaci after 10.30 Mass on Sunday 2nd February in the Tennis Clubroom (behind the Church)**. We welcome any parents, Parishioners, young people - no experience necessary, resources and support will be provided and a roster set up. **Please consider being part of this special ministry for children, we need you! Any queries please phone Louise on 0414540296.**

MASS TIMINGS

WEEKDAYS MASSES THIS WEEK

Tue - 9.15am - Sacred Heart
Wed - 9.15am - St Vincent's
Thu - 5pm - Lumen Christi
Fri - 9.15am - Sacred Heart

NEXT WEEKEND MASSES

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sat - 5pm - St Vincent's
4th Sun - 9am SFDS Boolarra
Sun - 10.30am - Sacred Heart

FOR ANY EMERGENCIES or BOOKINGS PLEASE CALL : 51342849 OR mwellcathpar@netspace.net.au

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 65:4

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you,
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

First Reading: Is 62:1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch. The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken', nor your land 'Abandoned', but you shall be called 'My Delight' and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding. Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 95:1-3.7-10

**Proclaim his marvellous deeds
to all the nations.**

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. t. **(R.)**

Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. **(R.)**

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. **(R.)**

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. **(R.)**

Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:4-11

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

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Thes 2:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Jn 2:1-11

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to John**

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews; each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew – the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink, but you have kept the best wine till now. This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.



† **RECENTLY DECEASED:** Marie Lambrecht,
Mariantonia Filippo

† **MASS INTENTIONS:** Maria Talerico, Nicolina
Merante, Anton Tosin Jnr, DiFresco Family,
Rosario Kabristante

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK :

We pray for Pat Van der Zalm, Roman Braczkowski, Bonnie Harris, Julia Peterson, Dominic Manzo, Reji Roy, Fr. Andrew Wise, Andrzej Armata, Leanne Embleton, and Christopher Garnham.