



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PARISH WAUCHOPE

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, BEECHWOOD & ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, LONG FLAT

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**First Sunday of Lent**

**Year B**

**17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

## **FIRST READING: *Genesis 9:8-15***

**A reading from the book of Genesis**

***I will recall the covenant between myself and you... the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.***

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.' God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

**This is the word of the Lord.**

**All: Thanks be to God**

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Ps 24:4-9. R. see v. 10***

**(R.) Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.**

1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour.....**(R.)**

2. Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord.....**(R.)**

3. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor.....**(R.)**

**SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:18-22**

**A reading from the first letter of St Peter**

***The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.***

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

**This is the word of the Lord.**

**All: Thanks be to God**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

No one lives on bread alone,

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

**GOSPEL: Mark 1:12-15**

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

***He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.***

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him. After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

**The gospel of the Lord.**

**All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Mass Intentions**

No	From	Intention
1	Anonymous	Souls in Purgatory
2		Sick members of Parish Community
3	Jenny O'Rourke	Michael O'Rourke – Recently Deceased
4	Kerrie Monkley	John Roberts – Anniversary of death

# Announcements

1. **World Day of Prayer** – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024 @ 10.30am at Seventh Day Adventist, cnr Sarah's Cres & King Cr Rd King Creek. Followed by morning tea. All welcome. If anyone needs transport please contact Gemma or Ann Pereira.
2. **Sacrament Dates for 2024** - First Eucharist 2<sup>nd</sup> June and Confirmation 20<sup>th</sup> September. For more information please contact the Parish Office.
3. **Project Compassion Sunday** - This year, Project Compassion brings you the stories of three resilient women: Ronita from the Philippines, Leaia from Samoa and Memory from Malawi. While from three different corners of the world and facing vastly different challenges, they are all united by one dream: to create a better world for all future generations. Please donate to Project Compassion. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.
4. **Bishop Greg's Lenten Talk Series** – Themes of St Therese of Lisieux. Available on The Diocese of Lismore YouTube channel from 28<sup>th</sup> February.
5. **Lenten Program 2024** – starting Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February for 6 weeks in the Dineen Room. Two sessions available, either 11.30am to 1pm or 5.30pm to 7pm. If interested please contact Mark Stewart on 0423271157.
6. **Fr Felix will be on holidays** - Please contact St Agnes Parish on 6583-1024 for emergencies.

Parish Events		
**February/March**		
Sat 24th Feb	Children's Mass	6:00pm
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	PFC Meeting	5:30pm
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Children's Mass	6:00pm
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	PPC Meeting	5:30pm
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Children's Mass	6:00pm
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Palm Sunday	
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Good Friday	
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Easter Sunday – 1 Mass(5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday)	9:00am

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Date	Feast Day	Readings	Colour
Mon 19th Feb		Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46	Violet
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb		Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15	Violet
Wed 21st Feb		Jonah 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32	Violet
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	The Chair of St Peter, apostle	1 Pet 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19	White
Fri 23rd Feb		Ezek 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26	Violet
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb		Deut 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48	Violet

## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Second Sunday of Lent  
Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10

**LITURGY ROSTER**  
**24<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**

**SATURDAY VIGIL 6.00PM**

Reader:	Children's Mass

**SUNDAY 7.30AM**

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**2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH 2024**

**SATURDAY VIGIL 6.00PM**

Reader:	Ken Ogilvie
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**SUNDAY 7.30AM**

Reader:	Brad Vergano
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**9<sup>TH</sup> & 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024**

**SATURDAY VIGIL 6.00PM**

Reader:	Children's Mass
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**SUNDAY 7.30AM**

Reader:	Lyn Murphy
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**CHURCH CLEANING**

Debbie Fear  
 10<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024

**CHURCH LINEN**

Nola Fabris (Feb)

**PARISH LITURGIES**  
**OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WAUCHOPE**

<b>Saturday</b>	
Reconciliation	5:30pm
Vigil Mass	6:00pm
<b>Sunday</b>	
Mass 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	7:30am
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	9:00am
Baptisms 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am
Sundays. (Please contact the Parish office for bookings.)	
<b>Tuesday</b>	
Mass	10:30am
Rosary(Weekly)	11:00am
<b>Wednesday</b>	
Mass	8:00am
<b>Thursday</b>	
Mass	8:00am
<b>Friday</b>	
Adoration	11:15am
Mass	12:00noon

**ST PATRICK'S, BEECHWOOD**

Mass	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	9:30am
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**ST PETER'S, LONG FLAT**

Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	9:30am
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**BUNDALEER MASS**

4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month at 11:00am

**DIOCESAN INVESTMENT FUND**

Pays 4.15%. Effective 1 Nov 2023.  
 The Port Macquarie office of the DIF is open Monday to Friday 9.00am - 1.00pm.  
 Phone Veronica or Mary for any enquiries on 6583 7439.

**The Catholic Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office**

the Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contactable if you have any Safeguarding concerns. We will listen to you respectfully; offer support and discuss options you have available to you. Contact the Safeguarding Office - Phone: **(02) 6621 9444** or Email: [safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au](mailto:safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au)

