

Entrance Antiphon: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

First Reading 2 Samuel 5:1-3

A reading from the second book of Samuel

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel.'" So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

and he holds all things in unity.
Now the Church is his body,
he is its head.
As he is the Beginning,
he was first to be born from the dead,
so that he should be first in every way;
because God wanted all perfection
to be found in him
and all things to be reconciled through him and for
him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace
by his death on the cross.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 121:1-5. R. see v.2

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **(R.)**
2. Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord. **(R.)**
3. For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David. **(R.)**

Second Reading Colossians 1:12-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians
We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God
and the first-born of all creation,
for in him were created
all things in heaven and on earth:
everything visible and everything invisible,
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –
all things were created through him and for him.
Before anything was created, he existed,

Gospel Acclamation Mark 11:9. 10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our
Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 23:35-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according Luke
The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'
One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'



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Year C

Christ the King 23rd November 2025

Sunday Mass

Sacred Heart, Moruya
36 Queen Street, Moruya
Sat. Vigil: 5.00pm
Sunday: 10.00am

'The Pines', Tuross Head
36 Craddock Rd, Tuross Head
Sunday: 8.00am

St. Edmund's, Bodalla
162 Princes Hwy, Bodalla
4th Sunday: 12 noon

Weekday Mass

Sacred Heart, Moruya
Tuesday: 5.00pm
Wed, Thurs, Friday: 9.15am

St Edmund's, Bodalla
2nd Friday: 9.00am

Syro-Malabar Rite Mass

Sacred Heart, Moruya
First Mondays: 6pm

Confessions

Sacred Heart, Moruya
Tuesday: After Mass.
Saturday: 4.30pm - 4:50pm

Adoration

Sacred Heart, Moruya
Fridays: 9:45am
(After 9.15 Mass)

Rosary

Daily: After Mass

THE TRUE KING WHO WALKS WITH US

Dear Parishioners,

As we come to the beautiful Feast of Christ the King of the Universe, I want to share with you a word of hope—because this celebration reminds us that Christ truly reigns over all creation. Though this feast was only established in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, at a time when the world was rapidly drifting away from faith, it carries an eternal message: Jesus Christ is King, but not in the way earthly kings rule.

When we think of royalty, we often imagine the splendour, drama, and symbolism portrayed in history and even in shows like *The Crown*. Palaces, jewelled crowns, golden thrones, rich garments, and the pageantry of choirs and ceremonies all shape our understanding of monarchy. But when we place these images beside Jesus, the contrast is striking and humbling. His crown is made of thorns, not diamonds. His throne is a wooden cross, not a gilded seat. His companions are condemned criminals rather than nobles. The crowds around Him do not sing in praise but shout in hostility. He is not robed in finery but stripped of everything.

And yet—**He alone is the true King.**

Jesus reigns not through power or prestige but through a love so complete that He enters into the very heart of human experience. He walks with us, celebrates with us, suffers with us, laughs with us, and weeps for us. He knows each of us personally and tenderly. His authority is one of mercy; His strength is compassion; His victory is the total gift of Himself for our salvation. This is why He is the Prince of Peace, and why His kingdom is one of justice, holiness, and truth. His kingdom does not advance by force but through ordinary acts of love—through forgiveness, generosity, courage, kindness, prayer, and the quiet choices we make each day to follow Him.

As we celebrate this feast, may you be renewed in hope. No matter how uncertain or turbulent our world becomes, Christ still reigns. His kingdom is growing—patiently, steadily—and He invites us to help build it with every act of faith, every act of love.

With every blessing,

Fr. Josh

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Moruya
Please call the Parish Office

Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon 24th—St. Andrew Dung Lac & Companions
 Tues 25th—St. Catherine of Alexandria
 Wed 26th—St. Josaphat
 Thurs 27th—St. Intercisus
 Fri 28th—St. Catherine Labouré
 Sat 29th—Sat. Mass of the B.V.M.

November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory



FR. JOSH AWAY

Fr. Josh will be away this week following the death of his beloved grandfather. He will return on Saturday. Please keep Fr. Josh and his family in your prayers during this time of grief, asking the Lord to comfort them with His gentleness and peace.

PARISH OFFICE PHONE

A reminder that the Parish Office's new phone number is **02 4474 0889**. Thank you for your patience over the last three months.

NOVEMBER MASSES: If you would like a Mass offered for a deceased loved one, envelopes are available on the pews and in the foyer. Simply write their names along with a donation and return the envelope to the parish office or place it on the collection plate.

MEMORIAL BOOK—MONTH OF NOVEMBER: During November, we remember and pray for all our deceased loved ones. Our Parish Memorial Book holds the names of those we wish to especially remember in prayer. To add the names of your loved ones, please email the parish office.

ALL SOUL'S DAY— PICTURES OF LOVED ONES: During November, you are invited to place a photo of a deceased loved one on the All Souls' Altar for our November Masses. These photos will remain during Mass as we pray for the eternal rest of all the faithful departed.

ST MARY'S GIVING LITURGY AND NATIVITY PLAY



You're warmly invited to our St Mary's Giving Liturgy and Kindergarten Nativity on Friday, 5 December at 9:00am. We will support St Vincent de Paul with donations of non-perishable food for local families. Students may wear festive mufti and enjoy the Mini Vinnies Christmas Cake Stall raising funds for our hamper appeal. After the liturgy, families are welcome to morning tea as we celebrate a wonderful first year of school and prepare for Christmas.

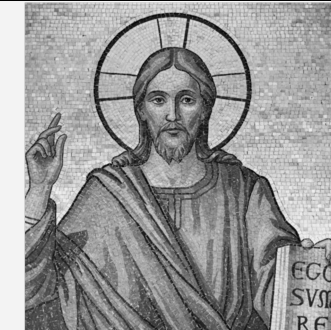
Recently Deceased: Murray Scott (Fr. Josh's Grandfather), Jean Calcutt, Caroline Nader, Robin Scobie, Diana Ebbelaar, Fr. Hugh Thomas CSsR.

Those who are sick and housebound: For those in Aged care facilities and in Moruya Hospital, for our sick and housebound parishioners, Gerry Ebbelaar, Bala Stankovich, Clare Broekhuysse, Jan Morris, Christopher Morris, Lee Maat, Kirk Dowling, Rosemary Patyus, Kay Morton, Sue and Rod McDonald, Hahn and Pauline de Grave, Hans Brosch, Father Giles Setter OFM, Mark Wales, Jenny Hopkins, Clair Holmes, Patricia Murphy, Paul and Margaret Ryan, Rita and Doug Marion, Viola Collaran, Sylvia Heffernan, Rae and Peter Fishlock, Michael Irwin, Fr Greg Beath, Deacon Paul and Jo Rummery, John Heffernan, Mark Chatto, Noeleen Norman and Graham Beer.

NOTICES

THIS SATURDAY NIGHT: FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING PROCESSION

This Saturday, at the conclusion of the Vigil Mass, we will celebrate this great feast with a candlelit Eucharistic procession around the block, concluding with Benediction. Children are warmly invited to come dressed as kings and queens to honour the Kingship of Christ and take part in the procession in a special way. Please join us for this momentous occasion!



PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join us for our Parish Christmas Party on Saturday, 29 November, following the 5pm Mass. All are warmly invited to celebrate the joy of the festive season together. Please bring along some food and drinks to share as we enjoy an evening of friendship, gratitude, and Christmas cheer!

TRIBUNAL OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH: Marriage breakdown is a traumatic experience for all those concerned. The Church reaches out in support of those who are divorced, while upholding the permanence of a true Christian marriage. The Canberra Office of the Tribunal extends an invitation to any divorced person who would like to talk about the annulment process. You can be assured that your privacy will be respected. Should you choose to apply for an annulment, you will be guided and supported through the process. For further information please phone the Canberra Office of the Tribunal Office on **6239 9813** or email tribunal@cg.org.au

GIVING AND RECEIVING

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1ST COLLECTION – Supports Arch. Clergy

Direct Debit (include "Sacred Heart Parish"):

BSB: 062-786 | **Account:** 000029248 | **Reference:**

Sacred Heart Parish, Moruya & Surname

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MORUYA ROSTERS

Mass	Readers		Ministers of Holy Communion		Counters	
	22nd/23rd November	29th/30th November	22nd/23rd November	29th/30th November	24 November	1 December
SAT 5pm	C. Cahill M. Joyce	C. Palise P. Pollock	T. Cahill	F. Levi	G. Campbell T. Chatto	R. Parnell L. O'Connor
SUN 10.am	I. Browne R. Patyus	B. Gillett J. Gillett	J. Morris	G. Campbell		

Parish Safeguarding Commitment: At Sacred Heart Parish, we're deeply committed to creating a safe, respectful, and caring environment for all children and vulnerable people. We believe everyone deserves to be heard, valued, and protected—and we work together with families to make sure their voices are always part of the conversation.

Communicating Concerns: Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns by contacting Father Josh or the Parish Office. For matters specifically related to safeguarding, please reach out to our Parish Safeguarding Officers—Pauline Parnell, Louise Strahlendorf, or Peter Hoban—via email at moruya.safeguarding@cg.org.au. Additionally, you may contact Maria Hicks, Manager of the Archdiocesan Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding (IPSS), at ipss@cg.org.au or by phone on 02 6239 9806.