

# Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



James 2:18

Show me your faith apart from your works and I by my works will show you my faith

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## MASS TIMES

**Saturday (Vigil) - 5pm**  
**Sunday 9:30am**  
**Monday 8am**  
**Tuesday 10am**  
**Wednesday 8:00am**  
**Thursday 5:30pm Mass,**  
Holy Hour 4:30pm  
**Friday 8am**  
**Saturday 8am**

**Anointing of the sick Mass**  
2nd Tues of month, March June Sept Dec.

**Reconciliation**  
Thurs during Holy Hour 4:45 - 5:15pm  
Sat 4:30 to 4:55pm before Vigil  
Sun 9 to 9.25am  
Or anytime, just ask Fr

**Baptism and Marriage** By appointment

**Working Bee - Sat 9am to 11am**



## PARISH NOTICES

### Weekday Mass Times this week:

With Fr Anthony's return, weekday mass times have returned to their normal times.

### Alpha - Sacred Heart Parish North Albury:

Series of interactive sessions exploring the Christian faith. Begins Tue 24 May 6.30pm, Sacred Heart Hall. Call Michael for details 0419 982 574.

### Mobile Phones:

Please mute your mobile phone or turn it off during Mass.

**Caritas Donation Boxes:** Please return ASAP

**Readers:** Sat: 5:00pm Peter Tobin Sun: 9:30am Stefany George

**Next week:** Sat: 5:00pm Barb McDermott Sun: 9:30am Simon Horsfall

**Cleaning Roster:** Sat 21st May Isabella



## COVID 19 DIOCESAN PROTOCOLS 25/02/2022

- Masks are encouraged for indoor settings.
- Those who prefer to receive Holy Communion on the tongue are asked to approach communion after those who have received on the hand.



## 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

15/05/2022

### First reading

Acts 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith.

‘We all have to experience many hardships’ they said ‘before we enter the kingdom of God.’ In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 144(145):8-13a

*I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.*

### Second reading

Apocalypse 21:1-5

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, ‘You see this city? Here God lives among men.

He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.’

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: ‘Now I am making the whole of creation new.’

### Gospel Acclamation

John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:  
love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

### Gospel

John 13:31-33,34-35

When Judas had gone Jesus said: ‘Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

‘My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.’

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### **Prayers of the Faithfull:**

**For our sick,** Noel Ryan, Fr John Speakman, Sam Courtella, Steve Drage, John Dunne, Jackson Davis, Mathew Dix, Seamus Clancy and Laurie Evans.

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

**For our recently departed,** Joan McCauley, John McCormack, Sue Barsby and those who's anniversaries occur at this time including Brian McPherson and Shirley Evens

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### **Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Jn 15: 1, 5**

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

## **ST. JOHN I, POPE AND MARTYR**

This Wednesday (18th May) is the feast day of Pope Saint John I.

A native of Tuscany in Italy, John was elected Pope while he was still an archdeacon upon the death of Pope Hormisdas in 523. At that time, the ruler of Italy was Theodoric the Goth who subscribed to the Arian brand of

Christianity, but had tolerated and even favoured his Catholic subjects during the early part of his reign. However, about the time of St. John's accession to the Papacy, Theodoric's policy underwent a drastic change as a result of two events: the treasonable (in the sovereign's view) correspondence between ranking members of the Senate and Constantinople and the severe edict against heretics enacted by the emperor Justin I, who was the first Catholic on the Byzantine throne in fifty years. Spurred on

by the appeals of Eastern Arians, Theodoric threatened to wage war against Justin but ultimately decided to negotiate with him through a delegation of five Bishops and four senators. At its head he named Pope John - much against the latter's wishes. Little is known for certain about the nature of the message which the Pope bore and the manner in which he carried out his mission.

What is known is that he succeeded in persuading the Emperor to mitigate his treatment of the Arians and thus avoid reprisals against the Catholics in Italy. The Pope's visit also brought about the reconciliation of the Western and Eastern Churches which had been plagued by a schism since 482 when Zeno's Henoticon had been published. However, Theodoric had been becoming more suspicious with each passing day.

While waiting for the delegation to return, he ordered the execution of the philosopher Boethius and his father-in-law Symmachus on a charge of



treason; and as he got word of the friendly relations between the Pope and the emperor, he concluded that they were plotting against him. Hence, on the delegation's return to the capitol city of Ravenna, Pope John was imprisoned by order of Theodoric and died a short time later as a result of the treatment he experienced there.

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## **NEW FOR ALL AGES: SCOTT HAHN**

By God's goodness and compassion, the doors of His kingdom have been opened to all who have faith, Jew or Gentile.

That's the good news Paul and Barnabas proclaim in today's First Reading. With the coming of the Church—the new Jerusalem John sees in today's Second Reading—God is “making all things new.”

In His Church, the “old order” of death is passing away and God for all time is making His dwelling with the human race, so that all peoples “will be His people and God Himself will always be with them.” In this the promises made through His prophets are accomplished.

The Church is “the kingdom for all ages” that we sing of in today's Psalm. That's why we see the Apostles, under the guidance of the Spirit, ordaining “presbyters” or priests. Anointed priests and bishops will be the Apostles' successors, ensuring that the Church's “dominion endures through all generations”. Until the end of time, the Church will declare to the world God's mighty deeds, blessing His holy name and giving Him thanks, singing of the glories of His kingdom.

In His Church, we know ourselves as His “faithful ones,” as those Jesus calls “My little children” in today's Gospel. We live by the new law, the “new commandment” that He gave in His final hours.

The love He commands of us is no human love but a supernatural love. We love each other as Jesus loved us in suffering and dying for us. We love in imitation of His love.

This kind of love is only made possible by the Spirit poured into our hearts at Baptism, renewed in the sacrifice His priests offer in every Mass.

By our love we glorify the Father. And by our love all peoples will know that we are His people, that He is our God.

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