


**Parish Administrator:**
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**Church**
2 Fourth Avenue, Sawtell

**Parish Office - 02/6658 3544**
1/44 Boronia Street, Sawtell NSW 2452. Office Hours are Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm.

**Regular Church Mass Times**
*Tuesday 9:30am*
*Thursday 9:30am*
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 7:30am & 9am
*Reconciliation every Saturday 5:30pm, no appointment necessary*

**Regular Chapel Mass Times**
Our Lady of the Way at SCC
Marian Grove, Toormina
Wednesday 9:30am
Friday 9:30am

**PARISH GIVING**
First & Second Collection & Donations

# Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
# Year A

## Sunday, 8th November 2026



**"Calling all Children! You're invited to join our Children's Choir!"**

Our Children's Choir will be singing at the vigil Mass at 5pm on Christmas Eve. It's going to be a very special Mass with carol singing and a nativity play. All children are invited to come to Mass dressed as a character from the nativity story.

Rehearsals on Thursdays at 5:30pm in the church with a pizza dinner before heading home at 6:30pm. Even if you can't come to all of the rehearsals you're welcome to be part of the fun.

Please email Margaret Ryan at pastoral@mhocsawtell.org.au or call the Parish Office if you would like your child to be involved.

**November Masses:** Envelopes are available at the main door of the church for those who wish to request a November Mass for a departed family member. Completed envelopes may be placed in the collection bags or dropped in to the Parish Office.

**First Reading ~ Wisdom 6:12-16**
Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;
you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;
be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.
She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her
and graciously shows herself to them as they go,
in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

**Responsorial Psalm**
**(R.)** My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

**Second Reading ~ 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14**
We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.

## Advent Prayer Resource

If you would like to join an Advent Prayer group to be held after Mass on Wednesdays at OLOW Chapel, please add your name to the list at the main door of the church or at OLOW Chapel.

You may also choose to order a book for personal prayer on this same form.

The cost of the resource is $5.

**Gospel Acclamation**
Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

**Gospel ~ Matthew 25:1-13**
Jesus told this parable to his disciples:
'The kingdom of heaven will be like this:
Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep.
But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him."
At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves."
They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'



# Come and Sing

Choir will be singing on Sunday 22nd November at 9am celebrating the Feast of Christ the King. All are welcome to join our Music Ministry.

Practise will be in the Church from 7-8pm Tuesdays 10th and 17th November.



## New Roster Coming Soon!

Please contact the Parish Office with dates that you are unavailable in December and January.

# Family Groups





Members of the Bryant Family Group were pleased to see the weather fine up in time to enjoy lots of chatter and a lovely lunch at the Butter Factory, Bellingen on Sunday 25th for our October outing.



**The Samut Family Group**
A huge thanks to our hosts Geraldine and Joe for an amazing 'Fish and Chips' lunch and delicious cake on a beautiful day at Boronia Park Sawtell.

A great time had by all catching up with our wonderful Family Group.





If you are interested in joining one of our Family Groups, give the Parish Office a call.

| Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 15th November 2026 YEAR A (green) | | | | | | | | |
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| **MASSES** | **Coordinator** | **Welcomer** | **Ex. Minister** | **Sacristan** | **Offertory** | **Reader** | **Powerpoint Op** | **Senior Altar Server** |
| Saturday 6pm | Jeanette Walsh | Cate & Graeme Clark | Margaret Ryan | Les Michalik | Cheryl Hughes | Jenny Triglone | Ann Brennan | Les Michalik |
| Sunday 7:30am | | John & Marie Hendriks | Sue G & Kathy M | Lyn Hollyman | M & K Sharman | Norma Campbell | Paul Daly | Lyn Hollyman |
| Sunday 9am | Louise Thompson | Dolores Dal Pozzo | Sarah de Byl | Carolyn Tumminello | Biddle Family | Dawn Sillato | Kathryn & Megan | Joe Baiada |

## Women ~ Food ~ God: Fellowship Evening

This is your last chance to register for our Women ~ Food ~ God, an evening of friendship, faith and fun! Registrations close this Monday 9th November, so fill in the form via this QR code or call the Parish Office.

**When:** 5-8pm 15th November, 2026
**Where:** The Link - Lakeside
**Cost:** $20 includes cheese platters, main course and dessert.

RSVP and pay by **Monday 9th November** with one of the following methods:

1. Register via this QR Code and pay by direct debit:
 BSB: 032 576 Account: 549 043
 Label the payment **WFG** and include your surname.

2. Call the Register Sawtell Parish Office to register and pay with cash.

*We want everyone to be able to join us. If the cost is a concern, we are happy to assist. Please call Sawtell Parish Office on 6658 3544.*

## Please pray for:

Recently Deceased
Sr Patricia O'Brien

The Sick
Pat Verity

## Christmas Markets - Sunday, 29th November 2026

at The Link, 631 Hogbin Dr, Toormina
**7:30am to 12:30pm**




## Cenacle Rosary

Every Tuesday at 3pm in the Church. All welcome.



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(eff 1/11/2026)
For further information and our current interest rate, please visit our website www.dif.org.au or contact us on 1800 802 516

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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***