



St Anne's. Bindoon



St Catherine's, Gingin

The family that prays together, stays together. A family at prayer is a family at peace!

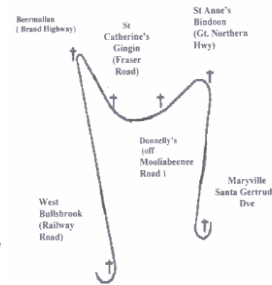


Welcome to: **OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION PARISH**
(Gingin, Bindoon, Bullsbrook & Maryville)



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Protection from cataclysms is promised to those who live within the vicinity of a 'Cross of Love' and Pray the Daily Prayer! The Crosses around the Parish form the figure 'M' to remind us that the parish is

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. I am the Lord your God: You shall not have strange Gods before me.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.
4. Honour your father and mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
9. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbour's goods.



Children's Catechism Classes
(during school term)
Tel: IHC 9571 8135



INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!
Please kneel for the Fatima prayer (see below)
Please stand for the opening hymn

COMING EVENTS & UPCOMING PILGRIMAGES

PERPETUAL ADORATION AT MARYVILLE
Come! Sign up for Holy Hour - Roster inside main doors!

Weekly - Mon to Fri: IMMACULATA PRAYER WARRIORS
6pm – 7pm---Adoration Chapel, Divine Mercy Shrine Maryville.

DECEMBER

- 11 Saint Damasus I, Pope
- 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe
- 13 Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr
- 14 Saint John of The Cross, Priest & Doctor of The Church
- 21 Saint Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor Of The Church
- 21 Men's Group DMC (on 3rd Thurs) 7.45pm cuppa and 8pm start!**
- 23 Saint John of Kanty - Priest
- 25 The Nativity of The Lord (Christmas) Day**
- Mass times for Christmas 2023 – see under Advertisements**
- 26 Saint Stephen, The First Martyr
- 27 Saint John, Apostle & Evangelist
- 28 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
- 29 Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr
- 31 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph YearB

JANUARY 2024

- 1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**
- 2 Saints Basil The Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Drs of Church
- 3 The Most Holy Name of Jesus
- 3 First Wednesday of month Mass**
- 5 First Friday of month Mass**
- 6 First Saturday of month Mass.**
- 7 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**
- 8 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**
- 13 Saint Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of The Church
- 17 Saint Anthony, Abbot
- 18 Men's Group DMC (on 3rd Thurs) 7.45pm cuppa and 8pm start!**
- 19 Prayer Crusade, H/Hour, Benediction DMS 7.30pm – 8.30pm**

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Prayers precede daily 3.30 Mass from 3pm

Divine Mercy Lower Chittering

- MON 3.30 pm
- TUES 8.00 am & 3.30pm
- WED 3.30 pm
- THURS 8.00 am & 3.30 pm
- FRI 8.45 am College Mass & 3.30 pm
- SAT 9.00 am

St Anne's Bindoon

- WED 4.30 pm Adoration. 5.00 pm Mass

Fatima Prayer Most Blessed Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly and I offer You the most Precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference with which He Himself is surrounded, through the infinite merits of His most Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of all poor sinners. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and in my family. Amen St. Gertrude the Great was told by Our Lord that each time she piously recited this prayer, it would release 1,000 souls (or a vast number) from their suffering in purgatory.

REAL PRESENCE IN THE EUCHARIST

In the Mass the elements of bread and wine are changed through the words of Consecration and Jesus becomes fully present. Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. It is the same Jesus as born of the Virgin, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father in heaven who is contained in the Sacrament. "...Whoever eats the Bread or drinks the cup...in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the Body and Blood of the Lord" (1 Cor 11:27). Anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the Body, eats and drinks judgement upon himself (1 Cor 11:29)

I GIVE YOU THE WEAPON AGAINST YOUR GOLIATH, HERE ARE YOUR FIVE STONES

- 1 Prayer with the heart: Rosary
- 2 Eucharist
- 3 Holy Bible
- 4 Fasting
- 5 Monthly Confession

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

- Gingin (St Catherine's) Rosary 4.30pm **SAT Vigil** 5.00 pm
- Bindoon (St Anne's) 7.30 am
- Maryville (Divine Mercy Shrine) **SAT Vigil** 6.45 pm
- " Adoration prior to Mass & Rosary 9.30 am

ADVERTISEMENTS

DONATIONS: www.gingin-chitteringparish.org.au. Some items to be donated include:

1	Stained Glass to Side Chapels	ea	2	\$6,000
2	Windows Large	ea	45	\$3,000
3	Windows Small	ea	55	\$1,500
4	Advance purchase of Niche in the Divine Mercy Columbarium	ea	1,000	\$1,000 or \$1,800 (Dble)
5	Oil Painting of Saints in arches over Confessionals	ea	4	\$7,000 ea
6	Contribution to Verandas and Gazebo of \$1,000	ea		Total cost \$90,000

Natural Family Planning (NFP) Planning or postponing Pregnancy Simply, Naturally, Effectively tel 9399-4394 or 1800 819 841 "Billings Method". NFP (unlike contraception and sterilization) is in harmony with Church Teaching. NaProTechnology is the church approved answer to IVF. www.fertilitycare.com.au

Mass times for Christmas 2023

Christmas Vigil Masses 5pm Vigil Mass St Catherine's, Gingin 24/12
 7pm Vigil Mass, Divine Mercy Shrine

Christmas Day Masses 7.30am St Anne's Bindoon
 9.30am Divine Mercy Shrine

Marian Movement Cenacles

Cenacles are prayed in Our Lady's Chapel at Maryville 6-7pm Mon-Fri; after Saturday Morning Mass, Tuesday Men's Rosary and after some other Masses.
 All welcome! Ave Maria!

Parish Choirs at Divine Mercy Church

Choir Master: Emma Oorschot
 Venue: Parish Admin Meeting Room Divine Mercy Presbytery.
 Every **Wednesday** of school terms (**Fees apply**)
 4:00pm - 4:40pm - children's choir (5 - 10 years)
 4:45pm - 5:45pm - teen choir (11 - 15 years)
 7:30pm - 9:00pm - adult choir (16 years and up)
 Contact - Emma - eoorschot96@gmail.com
 for more info.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING (2nd Collection)

Banking details: Direct pay –
Acc Name: Gingin-Chittering Parish
BANK: BENDIGO BANK
BSB: 633 000
Acc No: 158396804

THE SAFEGUARDING PROGRAM was introduced to the Archdiocese of Perth in 2014 by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe to ensure the safety of children, young people & the vulnerable in our parishes. If you would like info. about this programme or a copy of the Safeguarding Handbook, please phone: 9221 7762

PIPE ORGAN FUND – tax deductible donations can now be made to OHTA for our Pipe Organ. **OHTA Trust Account*: ANZ - 013-035 Account - 2940 70724**
 *Please ensure that in the description/reference section of your payment that you **type your Name and "Chittering Appeal"** so we can clearly identify you. For other donations: <https://gofund.me/5ff4e85b>

COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH in relation to this Sunday's readings (Our Lord teaches us in and through His Church and gives us the word of the Father. Hence, our submission to the Church's teaching is not submission to mere human opinions, but to the very word of God (cf. Thes 2:3). An upright and true moral conscience is formed by education and by assimilating the Word of God and the Teaching of the Church. It is supported by the gifts of the Holy Spirit and helped by the advice of wise people. Prayer and an examination of conscience can also greatly assist one's moral formation.

522. How does one bear witness to the truth? 2471-2474 2505-2506

A Christian must bear witness to the truth of the Gospel in every field of his activity, both public and private, and also if necessary, with the sacrifice of his very life. Martyrdom is the supreme witness given to the truth of the faith.

523. What is forbidden by the eighth commandment? 2475-2487 2507-2509

The eighth commandment forbids: false witness, perjury, and lying, the gravity of which is measured by the truth it deforms, the circumstances, the intentions of the one who lies, and the harm suffered by its victims; rash judgment, slander, defamation and calumny which diminish or destroy the good reputation and honor to which every person has a right; flattery, adulation, or complaisance, especially if directed to serious sins or toward the achievement of illicit advantages. A sin committed against truth demands reparation if it has caused harm to others.

139. What symbols are used to represent the Holy Spirit? 694-701

There are many symbols of the Holy Spirit: living water which springs from the wounded Heart of Christ and which quenches the thirst of the baptized; anointing with oil, which is the sacramental sign of Confirmation; fire which transforms what it touches; the cloud, dark or luminous, in which the divine glory is revealed; the imposition of hands by which the Holy Spirit is given; the dove which descended on Christ at his baptism and remained with him.

140. What does it mean that the Spirit "has spoken through the prophets"? 687-688 702-716 743

The term "prophets" means those who were inspired by the Holy Spirit to speak in the name of God. The Spirit brings the prophecies of the Old Testament to their complete fulfillment in Christ whose mystery he reveals in the New Testament.

141. What did the Holy Spirit accomplish in John the Baptist? 717-720

The Spirit filled John the Baptist, who was the last prophet of the Old Testament. Under his inspiration John was sent to "prepare for the Lord a people well disposed" (Luke 1:17). He was to proclaim the coming of Christ, the Son of God, upon whom he saw the Spirit descend and remain, the one who "baptizes with the Spirit" (John 1:33).

142. What is the work of the Spirit in Mary? 721-726 744

The Holy Spirit brought to fulfillment in Mary all the waiting and the preparation of the Old Testament for the coming of Christ. In a singular way he filled her with grace and made her virginity fruitful so that she could give birth to the Son of God made flesh. He made her the Mother of the "whole Christ", that is, of Jesus the Head and of the Church his body. Mary was present with the twelve on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit inaugurated the "last days" with the manifestation of the Church.

216. What is the hope of the new heavens and the new earth? 1042-1050 1060

After the final judgment the universe itself, freed from its bondage to decay, will share in the glory of Christ with the beginning of "the new heavens" and a "new earth" (2 Peter 3:13). Thus, the fullness of the Kingdom of God will come about, that is to say, the definitive realization of the salvific plan of God to "unite all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth" (Ephesians 1:10). God will then be "all in all" (1 Corinthians 15:28) in eternal life.

366. What place does human freedom have in the plan of salvation? 1739-1742 1748

Our freedom is weakened because of original sin. This weakness is intensified because of successive sins. Christ, however, set us free "so that we should remain free" (Galatians 5:1). With his grace, the Holy Spirit leads us to spiritual freedom to make us free co-workers with him in the Church and in the world.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:  Dorothy, Walter, Emma-Kate, Teena, Pat, Edie, Vera, Peter White, Maria, Logan, Julian, Maree, Doris, Jean, Pam Barnett, Albert, Brooke, Ken Keefe & Shirley Green, Tam, Maree Rooney.

THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION Vatican II "Catechism of the Catholic Church" teaches about the Sunday Obligation and Holy Communion. 2181 The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice, for this reason **the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist on days of obligation** (e.g., Sundays, Assumption, Christmas), unless excused for a serious reason (e.g., illness, the care of infants) or dispensed by their own pastor. Those who deliberately fail in this obligation commit a grave (mortal) sin. 1385 Anyone conscious of a grave(mortal) sin must receive the sacrament of Reconciliation before coming to Communion. 1387 To prepare for worthy reception of...Communion., the faithful should observe the fast required (one hour). Water and medicine are permitted. **Whoever eats the Bread or drinks the Cup in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the Body and Blood of the Lord (1 Cor 11:27).** **Canon Law 222** Christ's faithful have the obligation to provide for the needs of the Church, so that the Church has available to it those things which are necessary for divine worship, for works of the apostolate and of charity and for the worthy support of its ministers. **Sunday work** "Sunday is the property of the good God; it is His own day, the Lord's day. He made all the days of the week; He might have kept them all; He has given you six and has reserved only the seventh for Himself. What right have you to meddle with what does not belong to you? You know very well that stolen goods never yield any profit... I know two infallible ways to become poor, and they are: Sunday work and taking other people's property" St John Vianney

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Come and spend an hour with the lord Jesus!
He won't be outdone in generosity!!

St Catherine's Gingin

Saturday 4.30 to 4.55 pm (before Mass)

Divine Mercy Church 34 St Gertrudis Drive, Maryville

Sundays 9.00 am to 9.25 am (before Mass)

St Anne's Bindoon

Wednesday 4.30pm - 4.55pm

Divine Mercy Church 34 St Gertrudis Drive, Maryville

Adoration on Sundays before 9.30am Mass, during Rosary after weekday Masses. Adoration available 24/7
(please see Fr Paul about access to the Church).



Corporal Works of Mercy

- To feed the hungry;
- To give drink to the thirsty;
- To clothe the naked;
- To shelter the homeless;
- To visit the sick;
- To ransom the captive;
- To bury the dead.

Spiritual works of mercy

- To instruct the ignorant;
- To counsel the doubtful;
- To admonish sinners;
- To bear wrongs patiently;
- To forgive offences willingly;
- To comfort the afflicted;
- To pray for the living and the dead.

Capital Sins and opposing Virtues

Capital Sin	Virtues
Pride	Humility
Greed	Charity
Envy	Kindness
Anger	Forgiveness
Lust	Purity
Gluttony	Self-Restraint
Sloth	Diligence

for Sunday Mass.
"dress up" not "dress down" The Lord deserves our Sunday Best!

Parish Roster	Readers	
	10 DEC	17 DEC
Bindoon	Carolyn	Ida
Maryville (Vigil)	Volunteer	Volunteer
Maryville 9.30 am	Teena	Damien

Please remember to make a sign of reverence before receiving **Holy Communion or a Blessing**. If you don't receive **Holy Communion or a Blessing whilst kneeling**, you are required to either make a genuflection or profound bow from the waist.

Parish Community Contacts

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LOCAL NEWS

- **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE PARISH FUNDRAISER** – We have three wonderful prize bundles to be won, including a beautiful Christmas cake made by a parishioner, gift vouchers and various gifts & food items ready for Christmas! Tickets \$2 for one; \$5 for three and are available in Gift Shop after Mass every Sunday. Raffle drawn on Sunday, 17th Dec - end of the 9.30am Mass. Winners notified by phone.
- **LEGION OF MARY** – meet on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wed of each month from 2pm-3pm in Our Lady's Chapel. All welcome.
- **IMMACULATA PRAYER WARRIORS** Monday to Friday 6pm – 7pm---Adoration Chapel, Divine Mercy Shrine.
- Please sign up for a life-changing Holy Hour at Maryville Adoration Chapel, DMC! Roster is inside the main door!
- Media Links <https://taylormarshall.com> and Youtube.com: Dr Taylor Marshall



The Fifteen Promises of the Blessed Virgin Mary to those who recite the Holy Rosary daily

1. Whoever shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the Rosary, shall receive signal graces.
2. I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the Rosary.
3. The Rosary shall be a powerful armour against hell, it will destroy vice, decrease sin, and defeat heresies.
4. It will cause virtue and good works to flourish; it will obtain for souls the abundant mercy of God; it will withdraw the hearts of people from the love of the world and its vanities, and will lift them to the desire of eternal things. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means.
5. The soul which recommends itself to me by the recitation of the Rosary, shall not perish.
6. Whoever shall recite the Rosary devoutly, applying himself to the consideration of its Sacred Mysteries shall never be conquered by misfortune. God will not chastise him in His justice, he shall not perish by an unprovided death; if he be just, he shall remain in the grace of God, and become worthy of eternal life.
7. Whoever shall have a true devotion for the Rosary shall not die without the Sacraments of the Church.
8. Those who are faithful to recite the Rosary shall have during their life and at their death the light of God and the plenitude of His graces; at the moment of death they shall participate in the merits of the Saints in Paradise.
9. I shall deliver from purgatory those who have been devoted to the Rosary.
10. The faithful children of the Rosary shall merit a high degree of glory in Heaven.
11. You shall obtain all you ask of me by the recitation of the Rosary.
12. All those who propagate the Holy Rosary shall be aided by me in their necessities.
13. I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the Rosary shall have for intercessors the entire celestial court during their life and at the hour of death.
14. All who recite the Rosary are my children, and brothers and sisters of my only Son, Jesus Christ.
15. Devotion of my Rosary is a great sign of predestination.

First Reading [Is 40:1-5. 9-11](#)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Prepare the way for the Lord.

‘Console my people, console them’ says your God. ‘Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes.’ A voice cries, ‘Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.’ Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, ‘Here is your God.’ Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

*The Word of the Lord
(R.) Thanks be to God*

Responsorial Psalm [Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8](#)

(R.) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **(R.)**
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **(R.)**
3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **(R.)**

Second Reading: [2 Pt 3:8-14](#)

A reading from the second letter of St Peter

We wait for new heavens and a new earth.

There is one thing, my friends, that you must never forget: that with the Lord, ‘a day’ can mean a thousand years, and a thousand years is like a day. The Lord is not being slow to carry out his promises, as anybody else might be called slow; but he is being patient with you all, wanting nobody to be lost and

everybody to be brought to change his ways. The Day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then with a roar the sky will vanish, the elements will catch fire and fall apart, the earth and all that it contains will be burnt up. Since everything is coming to an end like this, you should be living holy and saintly lives while you wait and long for the Day of God to come, when the sky will dissolve in flames and the elements melt in the heat. What we are waiting for is what he promised: the new heavens and new earth, the place where righteousness will be at home. So then, my friends, while you are waiting, do your best to live lives without spot or stain so that he will find you at peace.

*The Word of the Lord
(R.) Thanks be to God*

Gospel Acclamation: [Lk 3:4. 6](#)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel: [Mk 1:1-8](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Make straight the paths of the Lord.

The beginning of the Good News about Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah: Look, I am going to send my messenger before you; he will prepare your way. A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight, and so it was that John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All Judaea and all the people of Jerusalem made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. John wore a garment of camel-skin, and he lived on locusts and wild honey. In the course of his preaching he said, ‘Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.’

*The Gospel of the Lord
(R.) Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ*

Communion Antiphon: [Bar 5:5; 4:36](#)

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

Prayer After Communion

Replenished by the food of spiritual nourishment, we humbly beseech you, O Lord, that, through our partaking in this mystery, you may teach us to judge wisely the things of earth and hold firm to the things of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

Readings Next Week - 17th December 2023
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR B**First Reading:** [Is 61:1-2. 10-11](#)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I exult for joy in the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: [Lk 1:46-50. 53-54.](#)
R. Is 61:10

(R.) My soul rejoices in my God.

Second Reading: [1 Thes 5:16-24](#)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

May you all be kept blameless, spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation [Is 61:1 \(Lk 4:18\)](#)

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!

Gospel: [Jn 1:6-8. 19-28](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

There stands among you, unknown to you, the one who is coming after me.



During the **Advent** season families should spend time together preparing for the approaching celebration of the birth of Christ. An Advent wreath can be a great focal point for family prayers and holiday celebrations.

An Advent wreath is a wreath of laurel, spruce or similar foliage with four candles that are lighted successively in the weeks of Advent to symbolise the light that the birth of Christ brought into the world. Traditionally three of the candles are purple, the colour of kings and of penance. A rose-coloured candle is used to mark the Third Sunday of Advent as a time to rejoice over the closeness of Christmas and the coming of Christ. Children love the beauty of the simple traditional ceremony. Lighting candles in an Advent Wreath is a simple way to start a tradition of family worship in the home.

Those who participate will cherish the experience all their lives.