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Feast of the Sacred Heart 2026



“Announce it, and let it be announced to the whole world, that I set neither limit nor measure to My gifts of grace for those who seek them in My Heart”.

(Our Lord to St Margaret Mary)

Dear Friends,

We remember you all in a very special way as we approach the most beautiful feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. “The Sacred Heart is the focus of our devotional life as a Congregation for we are born of the Heart of Jesus and totally consecrated to the mystery of His love” (from our Rule of Life). Blessed Columba Marmion tells us that Jesus Christ “has a Heart like ours, a Heart of flesh, a Heart that beats for us with the tenderest, the truest, the noblest, the most faithful love that ever was”. And a Carthusian of the 15th century wrote thus: “Behold and see, says our Lord Jesus Christ, what a painful position I am in upon the Cross. My Arms are extended in order to be always able to receive and embrace you each time you come to Me. My Feet are nailed, that you may know that I cannot, will not, be parted from you. My Hands,

since they are pierced through and through, show you that it would be impossible for them, even when closed, to withhold the favours you desire from Me. But understand that it is not the nails that fasten Me to the Cross and keep Me there, but My love. I have loved you from all eternity, and will love you eternally if on your side you never cease to love Me. I will never forget you. Deeply, carefully and lovingly have I written you in the Wounds of My Feet and Hands ...

And as though I were not satisfied with this, I have had My Side pierced by a soldier’s spear in order to open wide for you the entrance to My Heart, and to show you how great was the love which led Me to die for you” (Henry Arnoldi of Basle).

Community News:

The joyous highlight of this year has been the First Profession of our dear Sr. M. Juliana. Very Reverend Father Peter Williams, Vicar General of the Diocese, kindly presided at the Ceremony with Rev. Father Andrew Rooney acting as MC. Our chaplain, Rev. Father John Rizzo concelebrated with five other priests. St. Joseph took care of the weather as rain was forecast, but thankfully all was well and we were able to have the entrance procession and also offer our guests a meal afterwards. Sr. M. Juliana's family were wonderful with the help they provided. It was a truly happy and beautiful day, and Sister looked radiant in her black veil, the sign of her consecration to Jesus Christ, the true Bridegroom.



We would be grateful for your prayers for our Sisters in formation - for their perseverance and for more vocations that we may offer to the Heart of Jesus living in the Eucharist, "the solace He continually yearns for in His love for us," for "these souls will never be as numerous as His Heart desires." For this reason, our Mother Foundress, the Servant of God, Marie Adele Garnier wrote: "All my desires go out in petition, asking for Adorers in spirit and in truth whom the Father seeks and whom His Son, Jesus, draws to Himself by means of the Holy Eucharist." (Letter of 7.8.1887)

You might be interested in our new venture of learning to hatch and nurture baby quails! They are so sweet and it is wonderful to see the handiwork of God as they emerge from their shell and learn to walk. Then as soon as they can stand properly, they run about madly. When their little wings get strong, they try to fly. They do not mind at all if you hold them. We also now have chickens, and a silkie rooster. His name is Sammy, short for Samson, because all his wives were eaten by a fox and he alone triumphed to become ruler of the chickens!



Sammy, our funny silkie rooster, who survived the fox attack. He now delights us with his frequent "cocka-doodle-doo!"

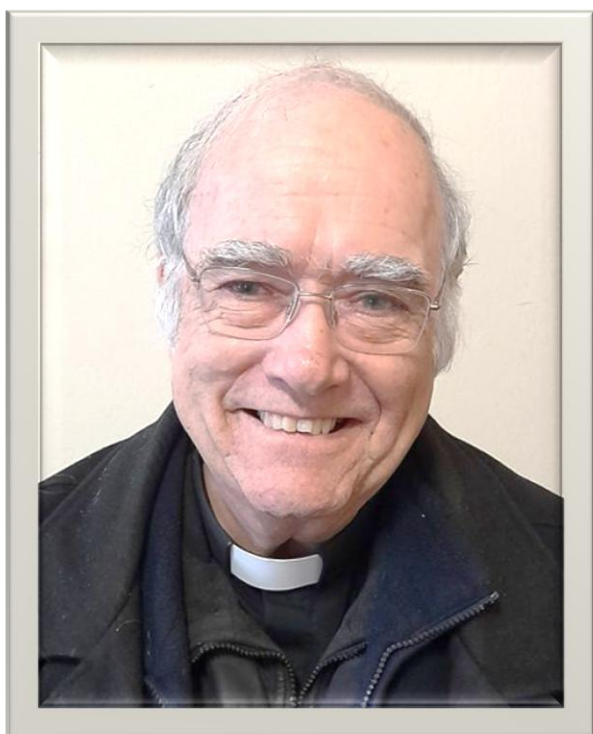
Sister M. Bernadette feeding the quails and the chickens



Some news we have to share which is a great sorrow for us is that our dear Rev. Father John Rizzo, who has been our faithful chaplain for more than 9 years, had to leave us for New Zealand as he has been asked to carry out a special mission there. In obedience to the will of God, he left in early June, but we are hoping that he will be able to return to us after he has completed his mission. We are sincerely grateful to be able to have a chaplain, since this is essential for our cloistered Eucharistic life. Our Father Rizzo has ministered to us so devotedly, always making himself available for any Sister who has needed the Sacraments as well as giving us several wonderful and helpful retreats

for our consecrated life. We remember especially the day our dear Mother Christina went to hospital - we were not aware of how dangerously ill she was as she was so cheerful and making jokes. Father came straightaway and anointed her and the Holy Spirit inspired him to give her the Apostolic Pardon as well. What a blessing that turned out to be as that evening, God came for Mother very peacefully. Our 93-year-old Mother Mary Vianney has also often been delighted by Father's little gifts of flowers for her.

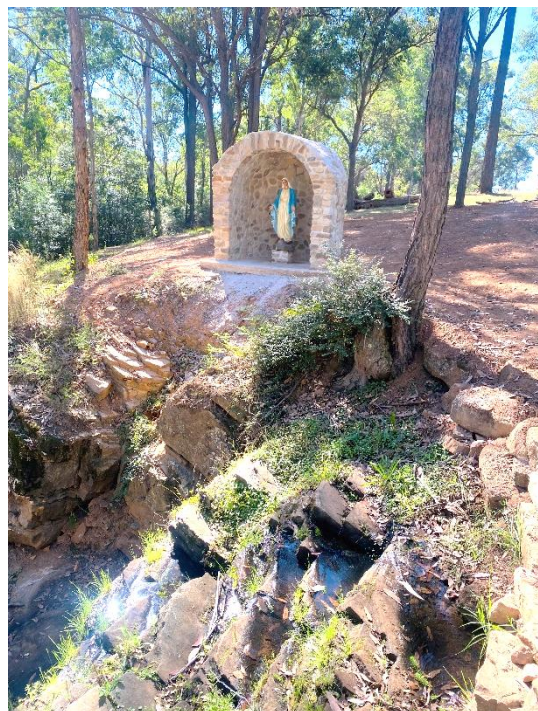
We miss his presence and his "Father Rizzo humour," and we are sure that he will also be missed greatly by the many priests, individuals and families whom he has helped with selfless kindness and good advice. Our thoughts and prayers are very much with him for the grace he needs for this mission and we are sure that you will remember him also. May the priestly Heart of Jesus surround him with His protecting love and bring him safely back to us if it is His holy will.



Rev. Fr. Ted Tyler

The other item of news for you is the completion of a grotto for Our Lady inside our enclosure. This is a prelude to the large grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes with St Bernadette kneeling which we hope to build for the outer enclosure in the next couple of years, God willing. The statues have already been generously donated to us and they are beautiful. Our good friend, Steve Pavlovic, and his team spent many hours putting together the stone work for the grotto – it is a wonderful work of art done with love and we are indebted to him and to his friends and well as to Nicholas who has transformed the landscape to make it look tidy and beautiful for Our Lady. May God bless and reward each one abundantly for their labour so generously given.

Our Bishop Vincent has kindly appointed Rev. Father Ted Tyler to replace Rev. Father Rizzo as our Chaplain until Father's return, and we are truly grateful to Father Ted for willingly taking on this role. We were delighted when he said that he was happy to be with us too. When Father came to meet us and speak with us, he told us that in his twenties he spent five years in Peru, in the Diocese of Piura. This is amazing as that is the very Diocese in which our monastery in Sechura is situated! Father told us that he fell off his horse twice during his missionary journeys and once, when his horse tumbled down the hill into a creek, many Indians suddenly appeared out of the bushes to rescue him. God bless those good people – and now Father is here to tell the tale and be with us here in the peaceful valley of Kurmond!





Rev Fr Rizzo and the community. Blessing of the grotto in the inner enclosure.

We are relieved that at last we will soon lodge the D.A. for our Chapel after so much time and work. We would be so grateful if you could pray that it will be successful for the glory of God and the good of the Church as well as all our friends and neighbours, since “we are dedicated not only to the honour and praise of God, to thanksgiving and reparation, but also to drawing down God’s abundant mercy and blessing on the whole world” (from our Rule of Life).

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all our dear friends and benefactors on the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, the 12th of June, and we pray very specially for all your needs and intentions that this Heart of Everlasting Love may enfold you in His tender care all the days of your lives.

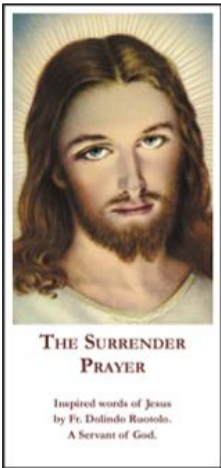
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and I will give you rest...”*

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