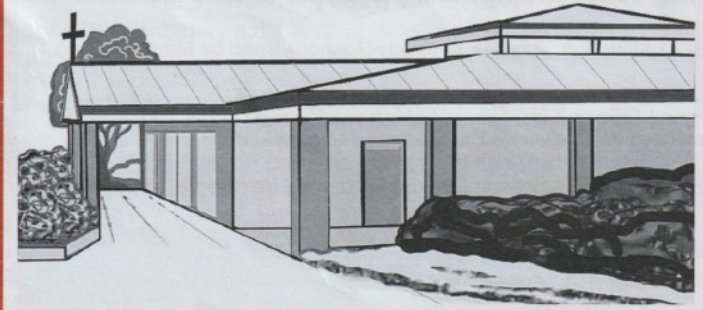


Catholic Church Maleny



SACRED HEART MALENY
**CENTENARY
CELEBRATIONS
4 FEB 2024**



Centenary celebrations for 'Heart on the Hill'

Sacred Heart Catholic church marks 100 years

By Sonia Isaacs

ON Sunday, February 4, the whole community will be welcomed to attend centenary celebrations for the Maleny Sacred Heart Church. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will celebrate the 9am Mass, and unveil a commemorative plaque and dedication to mark the momentous milestone.

To add to the significance of the occasion, Maleny stalwart, Vince Carberry, will welcome the current Archbishop, having also been in attendance to previously welcome the former Archbishop Rush, 50 years previously! The morning's official

activities will be followed by morning tea provided by Maleny QCWA in the Pat Daley function centre and a historical AV presentation featuring a collection of old photos. To preserve the memory of the activities, the recently appointed parish priest, Fr Josh Whitehead, will house key documents in a specially commissioned red cedar time capsule. Organising committee member and chair of the celebrations history committee, Anne Minter, said more than 20 parish members had been working around the clock for the last four months to pull the community celebrations

together. She said as part of creating a treasured memory of the occasion, a strictly limited edition of a book commemorating the anniversary had been commissioned and would be on sale at the centenary.

She said the commemorative book provided an insightful collection of photos and stories from both present and past parishioners and priests. Written by Elizabeth Caffery with editorial input from well known local author Jack Wilcox, the book involved many months of painstaking research.

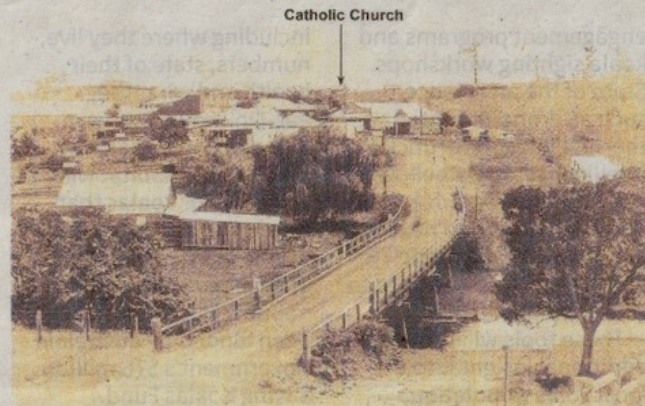
"Jack Wilcox was an integral part of ensuring the quality of this specially commissioned work which traces the story from the gifting of the land by Patrick Daley in 1924. Liz and Jack have worked extremely diligently and we are thrilled with both the book and plans for the day's festivities," said Anne. Anne said she hoped that many former members who



have moved away from the mountain would return for the celebration, and past parishioners, priests, and other dignitaries as well as all current community members are invited to attend. A 12.30pm lunch will be followed by cake, and placement of the time capsule at 1pm. The time capsule crafted by Vince Carberry's nephew will contain an archival disc of early records and photos amongst other items. While the original wooden church was replaced by the brick building 50 years ago, some items from 1924 remain today including the alter boys seat and holy water font. Attendees can join in at any time

throughout the day for the celebrations. For more details contact 0419 545 711.

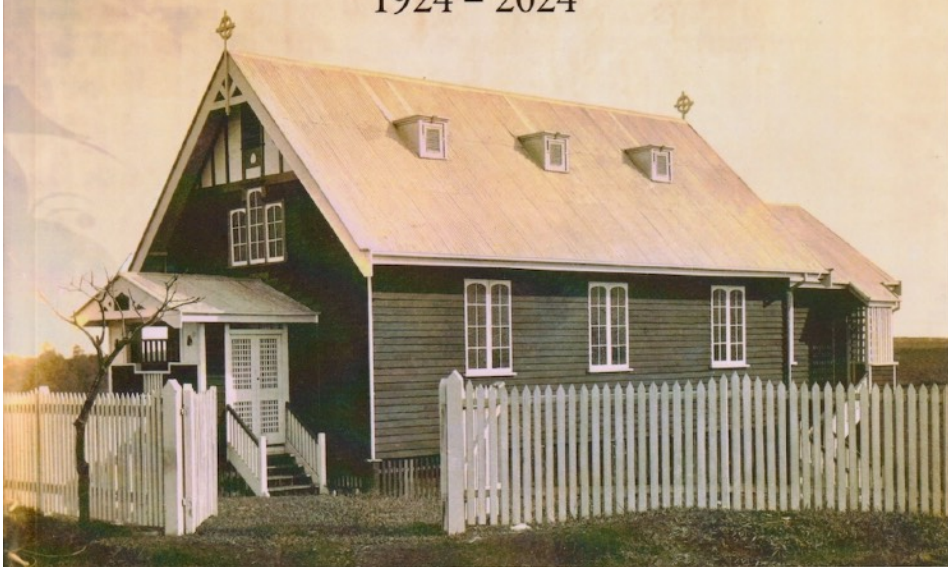
CELEBRATING WITH HEART: (Clockwise from above) Construction in 1974, Vince and Val Carberry's wedding day, Former Premier Mike Ahern's baptism record and the view of Maleny and the church from the Maleny Hotel in 1942. Pictures supplied



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The Heart on the Hill

THE SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH MALENY
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Elizabeth Caffery

The Heart on the Hill celebrates the story of the Catholic men and women who built a church in the tiny township of Maleny in 1924. Cloistered in the hills, they also built and empowered a uniquely self-reliant and vibrant church community. For one hundred years, they shared their faith in a spirit of cooperation and generosity. They nourished each other, enriched their church life and strengthened their bonds with the people of Maleny.

The book is replete with personal stories and images reflecting the life-giving ethos of this small country church. The story will continue . . .



From the Archives -



Demolition of the 50-year-old Maleny Catholic Church is now under way. A new \$54,000 brick church will be built on the site and on part of the adjoining block. Services are now being held in the Methodist chapel.

READY FOR OPENING

CATHOLIC CHURCH OPENS ON FRIDAY

The newly-built Roman Catholic Church in Maleny will be officially opened this Friday by Archbishop Rush from Brisbane.

CHRONICLE, Thursday, July 17, 1975.

All priests who have served in the parish will be invited to return for a concelebrated mass.

The church will be known as the Sacred Heart War Memorial Church, Maleny.

A spokesman for the building committee said the idea of building a new church had first been raised about eight years ago.

"The old one was too small and the upkeep was too high."

Les Shuttlewood of Caloundra finally began building the church in early January this year.

The building is constructed mainly out of brick and is modern in concept.

It consists of a flat and meeting rooms as well as the church itself.

Seating has been provided for 140, with the pews grouped around the sanctuary.

Souvenir brochures will be provided at the opening to remember the occasion.