

Kyabram Catholic Parish

St Augustine's-Kyabram ~ St Patrick's-Tongala ~ St Sebastian's-Merrigum

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We come to worship we remember the Yorta Yorta & Bangerang People the original custodians of this land

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th September 2020



Readings for this week: Sirach 27:30-28-7
Romans 14:7-9
Matthew 18:21-35



Readings for next Sunday: Isaiah 55:6-9
Philippians 1:20-24,27
Matthew 20:1-16



Liturgical Jottings

Reconciliation Names

Catechism of the Catholic Church (French 1992, Latin & English 1994) in introducing each of the seven sacrament starts with: "What is this Sacrament called?" The fourth sacrament is given five names:

It is called the sacrament of conversion ...

It is called the sacrament of Penance ...

It is called the sacrament of confession ...

It is called the sacrament of forgiveness ...

It is called the sacrament of Reconciliation ... (CCC 1423-1424)

The original French also includes: Il est appelé sacrement du pardon. (Cd'EC 1424) because God grants the penitent «le pardon et la paix» that is "pardon and peace" (From the Rite of Reconciliation 46). But this is lost in translation.

Looking at the Readings

The Sage of Book of Sirach or Ecclesiasticus gives advice against harbouring anger and resentment or failing to forgive the neighbour's sins. The consequences all rebound on the one who is unforgiving. This person, rather than the original wrongdoer will suffer. He/she will be judged and condemned, and resentment or vengeance will gnaw at their heart, they will be enmeshed in the cycle of evil themselves and lose the gifts of mercy and peace. Why persecute yourself thus!

Do not get too per-occupied with the numbers in today's Gospel they will give anyone a headache! Peter thought seven was generous but Jesus regarded 77 as barely sufficient, 10,000 talents would be an unimaginable debt, exceeding many nations' GDP and 100 denarii only a couple of month's work. Jesus certainly captured the attention of Peter and the others. We are urged to recognise our need for forgiveness and to be forgiving as our Father is forgiving. Our confession of sins becomes our profession of faith. Our reception for mercy becomes our gift of mercy to others. We celebrate all these mysteries in the mystery of the Eucharist.

Letter to the Romans

We heard the "final instalment" of St Paul's Letter to the Romans. It has been the second reading from the 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time (21 June) til 24th Sunday (13 Sept). It is the longest sequence in the lectionary from any one book other than the Gospels. It contains a rich teaching on faith and salvation. Paul is encouraging and comforting, his message is universal and emphatic about God's salvation given to us, not earned by us.

Prayer for the Week

"The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion." *Response to the Psalm Ps 102:8*

Season of Creation 2

GREETING: Today the Readings remind us that where two or three gather, God is there guiding us. We ask forgiveness for the times we have ignored the advice of others and hardened our hearts.

REFLECTION: Recognition of our errors, sins, faults and failures, leads to heartfelt repentance and desire to change. We need to experience a conversion or change of heart. *Pope Francis Laudato Si' 218.*

On the Lighter Side

What did the tree say to spring? What a re-leaf.

Why are trees very forgiving? Because in Autumn they "Let it go." And in the Spring they "turn over a new leaf."



CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY

13th September 2020

Today we mark Child Protection Sunday. In our Diocese policies and practices are in place in all of our parish communities to protect children and vulnerable adults. Child protection posters are prominently displayed in all our church buildings.

Protecting children and vulnerable adults is the responsibility of all people in our parish communities and not just our Clergy. Protection requires constant vigilance, particularly against complacency.

Our precious children represent our future. Let us keep all our children happy and safe!

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNCIL PRAYER GROUP

Our Lady of Good Council Prayer Group continues to meet online every second Tuesday.

For further information of how to join in, please call Mary Zobec on 0427 190 282.

PRIESTS RETIREMENT FOUNDATION – APPEAL 2020

Even in this COVID-19 world, September comes around quickly. We may not have the football finals, but it is still time to appeal to you, the faithful people of Sandhurst for some support for the Priests Retirement Foundation of the Diocese of Sandhurst.

Currently we have fourteen priests in the Diocese who are retired. Sadly, Fr John Naughton passed away last week. Fr Des Welladsen, who is to retire after Christmas, will add to the list.

Next Sunday (20th September 2020) the Annual Appeal of the Priests Retirement Foundation will be held. **Details will be provided in next weekend's bulletin on how you can donate to this appeal.**

SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAMED

Mass still continues to be celebrated at St Kilian's Church, on Sundays at 10.00am, livestreamed to the diocese's website: <https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/>.

St Kilian's Parish through their Facebook page also has live online Holy Mass at 12.10pm Monday through to Saturday each week, as well as Rosary at 9.00pm every night. Simply search for St Kilian's Parish on Facebook.

KYABRAM CATHOLIC LADIES VIRTUAL MORNING TEA

Dear Ladies, in this very challenging time it is hard to keep in touch.

An online morning tea has been organised for this **Tuesday 15th September** at 10.30am. Please bring along your favourite cup and saucer. Your Hostess will be Alana Brennan and Mary Zobec.

For more information please call Alana on 0427658563 or Mary on 0427190282.

You can join with the following information:

Topic: Kyabram Catholic Parish Virtual Ladies Morning Tea

Time: 15th September, 2020 at 10.30am

Join Zoom meeting by clicking on the following link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/7652761030?pwd=AUERURsQVJ4OFBrUDZPUhUVnZMUT09>

OR via Zoom app with the following information:

Meeting ID: 765 276 1030

Passcode: 4YRfmr



ACCESS TO OUR PARISH BULLETIN

To help parishioners who may not have access to our online bulletin, hard copies will now be made available.

Printed copies of the weekly bulletin can be collected from the front porch of the presbytery.

QUOTE

Some people pay more attention to how much God doesn't do for them than what He does for them. – *Unknown*

www.dailyinspirationalquotes.in

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Una Donegan, Joan Childs, Jacqui Rosendale, Fr Ted Harte

Recently Deceased: Fr John Naughton

Anniversaries: Fiorina Meneghetti

(Please email the Parish Office to add names to our prayer list.)



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Alma Limbrick

Administration

Leanne, Colleen and Ruth

Parish Office – closed until further notice, however the Parish Office can still be contacted through its email address at: kyabram@cdos.org.au

Principals

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Brayden Stone – Phone 5851 3000

St Patrick's Primary

Katrina Johnson – Phone 5859 0371

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr Jinjo, Alma Limbrick (Pastoral Associate), Joe Chant (Chairperson), Alana Brennan, Maurie Finn, John Forde, Katrina Johnson, Brendon Lane, Finola Price, Brayden Stone, Mary Zobec

OUR BULLETIN

We continue to provide our weekly bulletin as we adjust to the impact of COVID-19 on our lives.

With none of the usual activities of Parish life at the moment, much that is contained in our bulletin is online links to other sites. We hope that these links will provide you with ways to celebrate your faith, find prayers and reflections, as well as activities to sustain you.

Fr Jinjo will continue to pray for our sick, our recently deceased and for anniversaries. If you would like a name included on the bulletin, please email to Kyabram@cdos.org.au.

Our peace and blessings to you all.

CARE FOR CREATION STATEMENT ONLINE GATHERING INVITATION

People of the Sandhurst Diocese are invited to join an online gathering that will offer a reflection on the new Sandhurst 'Care for Creation' Statement and slide show, followed by time for discussion to share insights and possibilities.

There will be two 'zoom' meeting opportunities:

- Friday 18th September 2020 10.30 – 11.30 am
- Tuesday 22nd September 2020 7.00 – 8.00 pm

To receive zoom link please email:

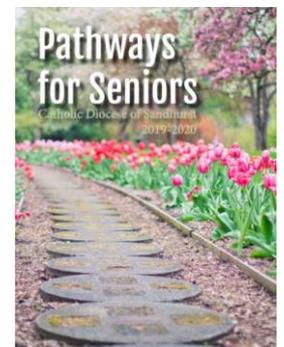
adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

or

caritasjustice@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

PATHWAYS FOR SENIORS 2019-2020

The Sandhurst Diocese 'Pathways for Seniors' online resource contains a wide variety of live links to information, networks and resources to enrich, interest and support 'Over 55s' in their continuing journeys in Faith, Prayer, Spirituality, connections to families and wider community, and much more.



For a copy of 'Pathways for Seniors' go to the link below, or contact the Chancery (phone 5441 2544 Wednesday to Friday).

<https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/item/1587-pathways-for-seniors-2019>

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

“For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.”
(Romans 14:8)

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God daily and ask Him how He is calling you to live the life that He intended for you.