



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

6 August 2023



Readings for
this week:

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
2 Peter 1:16-19
Matthew 17:1-9



Readings for
next Sunday:

1 Kings 19:9,11-13
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:22-33



Liturgical Jottings

Feasts of the Lord

In the General Liturgical Calendar there are several specific and inclusive feasts of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The Christmas season include the Nativity of Christ, Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, The Baptism of the Lord, Epiphany of the Lord, and the Holy Name of Jesus. Easter season includes the Resurrection of Our Lord, the Ascension and followed by Trinity, Holy Body and Blood of Our Lord and the Sacred Heart of Jesus – all moveable feasts.

During the year there are the feasts of the Presentation of the Lord, 2 February; the Transfiguration of the Lord, 6 August; the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 14 September; and the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, 9 November. These feasts take precedence over Sundays in Ordinary Time, hence the feast day this Sunday. The church celebrates the solemnities of Annunciation of the Lord, 25 March and Our Lord Jesus Christ the King, on the last Sunday of the liturgical year.

Looking at the Readings

“I gazed into the visions of the night” is a very popular saying of Daniel we find in the first reading which gives a prophecy of the glory of the Son of Man. This passage describes his vision of the one who is to come as the Messiah. An almost identical description is repeated in John’s vision of the risen and glorified Christ in Apocalypse 1:12-16.

Jesus instructed Peter, James and John to keep secret what they saw and heard. They were only allowed to tell others about it after he had risen from the dead. St Peter now reveals this encounter in today’s second reading, reminiscent of Jesus words: “what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the housetops, Matt 10:27. They have shared that experience with many others and so this wonderful event is contained in the Gospels according to Matthew, Mark and Luke.

The Transfiguration of the Lord gave the apostles a glimpse of Jesus’ power and glory and gives the reader insights into his nature: divine and human for after wonderful event Jesus touched the three and brought them quickly back to earth. We too must raise our eyes upward and our feet firmly on the ground.

Personnel Links

The five persons who were with Jesus on the mountain have important links in salvation history. Moses and Elijah had theophanies of the Lord God on other mountains. Moses on Mt Sinai where he received the Law and Elijah on Mt Horeb where he encountered the Lord in the gentle breeze / in the sheer silence. Peter, James and John saw his glory on the mountain and were the three apostles who witnessed his agony in the garden of Gethsemane before Jesus’ death on the cross.

Quote for the Day

Since each of us possesses God in his heart and is being transformed into his divine image, we also should cry out with joy: ‘It is good for us to be here’.
Sermon from Bishop Anastasius of Sinai

Prayer for the Week

O Ancient One and creator of all, you showed your power and your will in the glory of your Son, Jesus Christ. May he lead us through the darkness to the dawning of joy that we may always know and do what is loving and good.

On the Lighter Side

What do you call an amazing day up a mountain?

A ‘peak’ experience. Never forget how beautiful the mountains are. You don’t want to take them for granite.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Fr Steve Bowhan, Anne Dodd, Sam Peyton, Philip Bowman,
Shane McDonell, Kadyn Mitchell-Treacy, Trevor Peterson, John Zobec, Mary McNamara.

Recently Deceased: Cheryl Pearce (Baker)

Anniversaries: Domenic Cerrone, Mary Ciavarella

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



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Mass Times

[Kyabram](#)

Week Day Masses (Tuesday & Thursday): see Diary

Saturday (2nd and 4th Saturday of the month): 6pm

Sunday: 8.30am

[Tongala](#)

First Sunday of month 11.30am

[Merrigum](#)

Third Sunday of month 12 noon

Reconciliation – Second Saturday of month at

5.30pm (before 6pm Mass) in St Augustine's Church

Mass of Anointing are held on the first Thursday of
the month at 10am in St Augustine's Church.

FORTNIGHT MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sun 6th August - 8.30am

Sun 6th August - 11.30am – Tongala

Tue 8th August - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass – Feast of
Mary Mackillop

Thu 10th August - 9.15am – Year 1/2 & Year 8

Weekly Masses

Sat 12th August - 5.30pm Reconciliation

- 6pm Mass – cuppa after Mass

Sun 13th August - 8.30am

Tue 15th August - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass – Feast
of the Assumption of Our Lady

Thu 17th August - 9.15am – Foundation & Year 12

Weekly Masses

Sun 20th August - 8.30am – cuppa after Mass

Sun 20th August – 12.00pm - Merrigum

Tue 22th August - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Liturgy

ROSTERS

Saturday 12th August at 6pm

Commentator – W Mulcahy

Lector – M Radanov

Special Minister – C Stewart

Sunday 13th August at 8.30am

Commentator – T Hehir

Lector – V Fox

Special Minister – M O'Shea

Sunday 20th August at 8.30am

Commentator – N Watt

Lector – M Carver

Special Minister – A Ryan

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity and support for our Parish.
May God bless you always.

Last week's Collection is \$ 861.00

CHILD SAFE PARISH

We are a Child Safe Parish, we have a zero tolerance for child abuse and aim to provide a safe, supportive and welcoming environment to all visiting children, young persons and vulnerable adults.

If you are concerned for any form of abuse that is immediate you should call 000; a significant risk or harm, whether or not you have formed this belief on reasonable grounds, you should immediately raise your concerns with the Parish Child safety officer Finola Price on 03 5852 1310.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As we come to worship, we remember the Yorta Yorta & Bangerang People the original custodians of this land. We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with deep respect. May the Elders, past and present, be blessed and honoured. May we join and build a future based on compassion, justice, faith and reconciliation.

HOME COMMUNION

The Parish offers home communion. If anyone has a family member or loved one at home requiring communion, please contact the Parish Office (5852 1026).

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL PRAYER GROUP

Our Lady of Good Counsel Prayer group next meeting is today Sunday 6th August at 5pm in the church. Please join in for adoration, prayer and reflection on the word. Inquiries Mary 0427190282.

MULTI MEDIA POLICY

Our diocese has a multimedia policy that requires permission for photos or videos to be taken at mass or church gatherings. From time-to-time photos or videos are taken at special occasions.

These may be used on the web page or Facebook page. If you are not comfortable for your picture to be online please let the office (5852 1026) or Safeguarding officer know.

SACRAMENTAL CHILDREN

This weekend at mass our sacramental children are presented with workbooks for Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they continue their sacramental journey.

FEAST OF MARY MACKILLOP

On Tuesday 8th August is the Feast of Mary Mackillop. Please join for mass at 5.00pm in the parish meeting room in honour of our First Australian Saint. Rosary at 4.45pm.

SAVE THE DATE

Friday 1st September. World Day of Prayer for Creation. Sandhurst Diocese Launch of the Season of Creation. **Venue:** Notley Picnic Ground, Whipstick Forest. Greater Bendigo National Park. **Time:** Mass celebrated by Bishop Shane at 11am followed by a picnic lunch. All are invited and encouraged to come along and celebrate in this beautiful venue. It's also the first day of spring and National Wattle Day!

MEN'S CHOIR

The men's choir will be restarting on the 1st Sunday of the month. Please come at 8.00am to practice with Brendon.

MINISTRY OF LECTOR AND COMMENTATOR

We are looking for new people to be readers and commentators. If you are interested, please write your contact details on the clipboard in the gathering space or contact parish office. Training will be made available.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who called, sent cards and flowers for my 90th birthday. I had a lovely day with family. God bless you all.

Barbara Mitchell.

CARRYING FORWARD THE PLENARY COUNCIL ONLINE WORKSHOPS

Dr Chris Cotter and Leslie Cooper will be facilitating two online workshops focusing on the findings from the Plenary Council and the ways we can implement actions to support the commitments agreed to at the Council. These online sessions will start and end in prayer and invite participants to read and reflect on the decrees and share and listen to thoughts and ideas -- a process consistent with that used at the Plenary Council.

Choose either an evening session on Tuesday 8 August 7.00 – 8.30 p.m., or a morning session on Wednesday 9 August 9.00 – 10.30 a.m. This event is free to all. You must register to receive Zoom login details. To register go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/CJKVC>

VOCATIONS WEEK 6 – 12 AUGUST

During Vocations Week we are called to pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. To start vocations week, on Sunday August 6th some of the Sunday Masses in the diocese will be offered for vocations, and Serra Club members will be handing out “31 Club” cards at the conclusion of some Masses in the Bendigo area. Please consider taking a card and committing to pray one day a month for vocations so that parishes can remain open and served by their local priest.

During vocations week, we invite all to join Serra members at St Therese's, Kennington at 9.15am each morning from 7 to 11 August for Mass and Adoration for vocations. Fr Andrew Fewings and Fr Stephen Bolling will conduct the ceremonies.

PARTNERSHIP LUNCHEON

On Thursday 24 August at 1pm the Parish will be hosting the partnership luncheon with student leadership of St Augustine's school. Parishioners are encouraged and welcome to come along, please RSVP to the office by Sunday 20 August.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Are you new to the Parish? We would love to get to know more about you. There are forms around the church for you to fill in your details so our Pastoral family can reach out to you. Please fill in a form or reach out to one of our parish volunteer to introduce yourself.

“Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again: for forgiveness has risen from the grave!” *St. John Chrysostom*

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Would you be interested in advertising your business in our Parish bulletin and on our website?

The costs are: **Advert (5x6cm)**

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