



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

St Augustine's – Kyabram, 69 Church Street, PO Box 341, Kyabram Vic, 3620
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Parish Priest – Fr Uday Marneni ALCP/OSS

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 5 May 2024



Readings for
this week:

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48
1 John 4:7-10 or 4:11-16
John 15:9-17 or 17:11-19



Readings for
next Sunday:

Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:17-23 or 4:1-13
Mark 16:15-20



Liturgical Jottings

Easter Hymns

Each parish have their favourite hymns and songs for the Sunday Liturgy. Some of the old favourites for Easter are: “My Lord, He died for a Kingdom” (Easter Song, Sr Miriam Winter); “This is the Day the Lord Has Made” (The Easter Song, Ray Repp); “Alleluia No. 1” (Donald Fishel). Some of the newer ones are: “Christ Be Our Light” (B Farrell); “Sing to the Mountains” (R Dufford); “This is the Day” (M Mangan); “Happy Day” (T Hughes & B Cantelon). With computer and projector parishes are not limited to one or two hymn books. Our limitation now seems to have good resources and regular contact with networks of musicians.

Ascension & Pentecost

Popular hymns are “Hail Redeemer King Divine” (P Brennan); “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” (W Dix); “Hearts of Fire” (M Mangan); “Come, Holy Spirit” (several versions); “We are Many Parts” (M Haugen)

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Focus on the Gospel

As a young person, there is nothing better than being in love! Sure, loving your family and being loved by them is pretty important, but to ‘fall in love’ with someone and have that love returned is something quite extraordinary. Love sets us on fire! To be loved by someone else makes all the tough times endurable; it makes us believe in ourselves because someone else sees something worthwhile within us. It’s exciting and it’s incredibly life-giving!

This is the message that Jesus conveys to his disciples in this week’s gospel. He shares with them some understanding of the incredible joy he experiences through his relationship with the Father. And just as he is loved by the Father, so Jesus loves his disciples and so are they invited to share in the love of the Father. Jesus’ actions towards the ‘lesser ones’ of the world was to demonstrate to them that they are not only worthy of love but were already loved. Jesus tells his disciples that all they have to do to constantly remain in his love is to keep his commandments and then he clarifies for them that his only commandment to them is to love one another as Jesus loved. To live in the love of Jesus and know the love of the Father, all we have to do is love one another. The challenge is that we are to love all people – even those who make our lives difficult and unpleasant. As we are told in the Gospels of Luke and Matthew, ‘If you love only those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them!’ (Lk 6:32; Mt 5:46). © Greg Sunter

Easter Poem

What matter language, race, what matter voice or face;
the just person living in love, the Lord will make His friend.
The Lord makes us His friends, He fills us with joy!
We cannot love God: He has loved us!
We cannot choose Christ: He has chosen us!
We cannot grasp the Spirit: He has seized us!
Le Livre d’Heures d’En-Calcat (Dourgne, 1980)

Quote of the Day

When we honestly ask ourselves which person in our lives means the most to us, we often find that it is those who, instead of giving much advice, solutions, or cures, have chosen rather to share our pain and touch our wounds with a gentle and tender hand.

Henri Nouwen

On the Lighter Side

What did St Peter say when he got out of the fishing boat and sat by the fire on the shore of the sea of Galilee after Jesus’ resurrection? “I’m a warm again Christian.”



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Daniel Lingard, Frances Corso, Paul Genio, Tony Barca, John Moran, Jodie Potts, Philip Bowman, Kady Mitchell-Treacy.

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Rosina Sanzo, Tom Canning, Angelantonio Sanzo, Maria Saveria Spirito, Cristino Arcari, Assunta Cusano.



PARISH DETAILS

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Uday Kumar Marneni ALCP/OSS

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PARISH OFFICE

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PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Vicki Arnel – 0417 147 695

PARISH PASTORAL ASSISTANT

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Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am-4pm

PRINCIPALS

St Augustine's College - Jay Sutton – Phone 5851 3000

St Patrick's Primary - Jackie Stockdale – Phone 5859 0371

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Fr Uday Marneni, Alana Brennan (Chairperson)

Maurie Finn, Veronica Fox, Mary D'Augello,

Carl Cabaraban. Brendon Lane, Jackie Stockdale,

Finola Price, Natalie Watt, Jay Sutton, John Forde

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Fr Uday Marneni,

Wayne Mulcahy (Chairperson),

James Harris (Deputy Chair)

John Zobec, Chris Moor, Mary Zobec.

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

ANointing MASS - held on the first Thursday of the month at 10am in St Augustine's Church.

FORTNIGHT MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sun 5th May - 8.30am

Sun 5th May - 11.30am – Tongala

Tue 7th May - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 9th May - 9.15am - F-4 Mother's Day Mass

Sat 11th May - 5.30pm Reconciliation
- 6pm Mass - cuppa after Mass

Weekly Masses

Sun 12th May - 8.30am – Ascension Sunday

Tue 14th May - 4.45pm Rosary, **6pm** Mass Fr Uday anniversary celebration

Thu 16th May – 9.15am – 9-12 Community Mass

Weekly Masses

Sun 19th May - 8.30am – Pentecost Sunday

Sun 19th May - 12.00pm – Merrigum

Tue 21st May- 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Liturgy

ROSTERS

Saturday 11th May at 6pm

Commentator – L Ratcliffe

Lector – C Anderson

Special Minister – L Sorbello

Sunday 12th May at 8.30am

Commentator – M Carver

Lector – N Watt

Special Minister – J Stockdale

Sunday 19th May at 8.30am

Commentator – A Snell

Lector – V Fox

Special Minister – F Turner

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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

Last week's Collection is \$ 825.95



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.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy birthday wishes to Fay Shaw who celebrated her 90th birthday.

Please wish Faye a very happy birthday.



MONTHLY WORKING BEE

Monthly working bees are now being held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 9.30am to do some general cleaning in the church eg dusting, cleaning glass doors, cobwebs, sweeping steps, etc. This is instead of a roster. If you are able to spend some time helping with cleaning duties please put your name on the clip board provided in the gathering space. The next working bee will be on 1st June.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

An information evening is being held on Thursday 16 May at 6.30pm in St Augustines' church for the parents and children preparing to do their Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist. Please ring the Office on 5821026 or email: kyabram@sandhurst.catholic.org.au if you have not registered through the school.

TAP AND GO

We have installed our new Tap and go donation tap point. The machine is easy to use, tap on the amount you wish to donate and then tap your card. This is a donation machine only and **can't** be used for planned giving. Please contact the office if you would like any more information or assistance in using the machine.



PROJECT COMPASSION

If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back asap or visit caritas.org.au/project-compassion and donate online. Caritas Australia would like to thank you for supporting Project Compassion 2024.

DEFIBRILLATOR

Did you know St Augustine's has a defibrillator. It is located on the corner of the south western end of the Church side door entry facing the asphalt to the church and can be accessed in the event of an emergency when CPR is potentially required. We thank the school for their support of the parish and community. **The code for use is C3620.**



ST BERNARD'S CHURCH, BACCHUS MARSH 150TH ANNIVERSARY

St Bernard's Church, Bacchus Marsh will mark the 150th Anniversary of the Blessing and Opening of the church with a special Mass on June 23rd 2024 at 11.00 am after which a 300 page history of the parish and its people will be launched. Prepaid orders for this book must be placed by May 10th. Details are available from the St Bernard's Church website.

<https://stbernardsbacchusmarsh.com.au/>

FR UDAY ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

A mass to celebrate Fr Uday's ordination anniversary will be held on Tuesday 14th May at **6.00pm** followed by a supper in the gathering space. Please bring a plate to share.

LADIES CUPPA AND CHAT

Ladies you are invited to Cuppa and Chat at Fauna Park Café on Wednesday 8th May at 2pm. If you need a ride, please contact Mary Elliott on 0427 822 754.

CATHOLIC CARE

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E bendigo.reception@catholiccarevic.org.au

BEQUEST TO THE CHURCH

Have you thought about leaving a bequest to the church? The forms are available in the office if you would like to leave a bequest. These can be filled in and left with your will. Please contact Vicki or email the office for a copy.



PHOTOS

On special occasions and some Masses parish volunteers may take photo for use on our social media and website. If you don't wish for you photo to be taken please contact a member of the parish or notify the photographer.

SANDPIPER ENEWS

The latest issue of Sandpiper e-News is now available online. Issue 38 can be accessed through the Homepage of the Diocesan website or the following link. We encourage parishioners to subscribe to the Sandpiper e-News (which can be done at the bottom of the link page).

<https://mailchi.mp/sandhurst/sandpiper-e-news-from-the-diocese-of-sandhurst-13749579>

SAFEGUARDING

In line with our Safeguarding policy for children and adults at risk, information can be found on the notice board in the gathering space. Please make yourselves familiar with the information provided. If you have any question or concerns, please contact Finola Price 03 5852 1310 or Marv Zobeck 0427 190 282.

“If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one.” *St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

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6 months (25 weeks)	\$12.00 per week	\$300
12 months (50 weeks)	\$10.00 per week	\$500

If you would like further details, please talk to Fr Uday, a member of the Finance Committee or Vicki in the office.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SEMINARS:

These Seminars are being offered at St. Killian's Parish in Bendigo on Tuesday 21 May 2024, 5:30pm start and at St. Liborius Parish in Eaglehawk on Saturday, 25 May 2024 10:30am start.

Each seminar begins with a Keynote Presentation. Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *Desiderio Desideravi* (2022) on Liturgical Formation of the People of God invites renewed reflection on the preparation and celebration of the Church's liturgy. In this keynote address, Prof. Clare Johnson, Director of the ACU Centre for Liturgy will provide an overview of Pope Francis' letter and suggest some implications for liturgical ministries.

This will be followed by a choice of three workshop options:

1. Ministry of the Word - Dr Chris Cotter;
2. Extraordinary Ministry of Holy Communion - Ms Lyn Breen; and
3. Ministry of Liturgical Music - Dr Paul Taylor; that will explore areas of affirmation, challenge and invitation in these ministries.

For Bookings or more info refer to QR code below or on the included poster as well as the following link: <https://www.trybooking.com/CNRVB>