

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

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

16th August 2020



Readings for this week:

Isaiah 56:1,6-7
Romans 11:13-15,29-32
Matthew 15:21-28



Readings for next Sunday:

Isaiah 22:19-23
Romans 11:33-36
Matthew 16:13-20



Liturgical Jottings

Rite of Infant Baptism

A new English translation of the Rite of Infant Baptism has been published in Australia. As well as new translation of texts the “Order of Baptism of Children” contains more options for the blessing of water - with people’s acclamations, blessings of parents and other times for acclamations by the people. The order contains a new chapter for baptism during the Mass. The “Ephphatha” Prayer now reads:

May the Lord Jesus, who made the deaf to hear and the mute to speak, grant that you may soon receive his word with your ears and profess the faith with your lips, to the glory and praise of God the Father. All: Amen.

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Looking at the Readings

From the time of Isaiah in the First Reading to the time of Christ in the Gospel and in the days of Paul’s epistles and preaching during his years of mission the question about foreigners, gentiles and pagans has occupied the minds of God’s prophets and Christ’s disciples. Isaiah cites God’s promise to foreigners that they will come to his house (56:8-9), Paul reminds his own people that he is an apostle to the Gentiles. Yet God’s people forget, don’t make the connection when it matters. Jesus tests his own apostles when the Canaanite woman asks for a miracle. Are they going to remember the prophets and Christ own inclusive ministry with Samaritans, Gadarenes and Romans? Jesus praises the faith of the Canaanite and heals her daughter.

“The number of times Jesus and the apostles minister to the Gentiles are too numerous to need quotations.” (J L Mackenzie, Dictionary of the Bible). Yet the first disciples, the early Christians, the Medieval Church and ourselves in present times must relearn this lesson given in Phoenicia (now modern day Lebanon) and apply it to the “foreigner, the outcast, the stranger, the marginalised and the discriminated”. “O God, let all the nations praise you.” (Ps 67:4-5)

Feast of the Week ~ St John Eudes 19th August

John Eudes (born in Normandy, France 14/11/1601 the son of a farmer and died 19/8/1680). Fr Eudes became increasingly aware of the moral distress and exploitation of many girls and women. In 1641, he established a refuge in Caen. It was the beginning of what would become the Order of Our Lady of Charity. Rose Pelletier entered the Order, given the name Mary of St. Euphrasia. And later she founded the Sisters of the Good Shepherd. Sr Mary Euphrasia longed that the whole world would benefit from the saving work John Eudes initiated. He was canonised 31/5/1925.

Quote of the Day

Our wish, our object, our chief preoccupation must be to form Jesus in ourselves, to make his spirit, his devotion, his affections, his desire, and his disposition live and reign there. St John Eudes

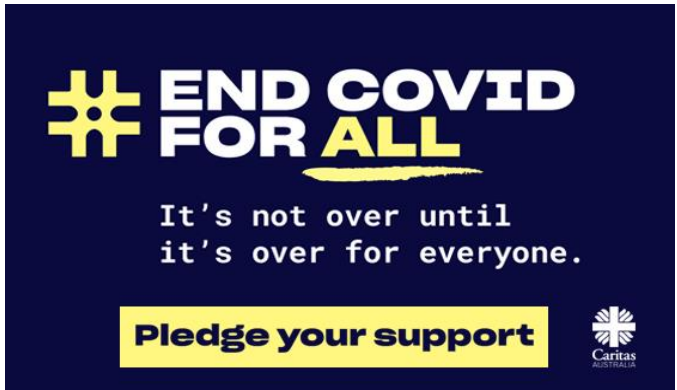
On the Lighter Side

All generalizations are false, including this one.

The best way to cheer yourself up is to try to cheer somebody else up.

Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see. Quotes from Mark Twain





As COVID-19 continues to impact parts of Australia, millions of people around the world are also dealing with the impacts of the virus. Many of these communities were already facing poor sanitation, overcrowding and limited access to healthcare. How can you combat COVID-19 without access to adequate sanitation and healthcare?

Caritas Australia has joined churches and aid agencies for #EndCOVIDForAll, a pledge of support that will be taken to government to show our support for vulnerable communities, because **it's not over until it's over for everyone**. For more information on #EndCOVIDForAll or to sign the pledge go to www.caritas.org.au/end-covid-for-all.

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.

A JOKE TO CELEBRATE LEFT-HANDERS DAY

How did you celebrate LEFT-HANDERS' DAY on the 13th? Is it a disability? It definitely feels like it when we look so awkward and clumsy because we are forced to use right-handed tools and equipment, e.g. can-openers and ring-binders which are completely back-to-front for us. After finding this anonymous quote, I am not sure that we should consider it a disability: "God made everyone right-handed; the truly gifted overcome it!".

Sandhurst Disability Contact Coordinator

ALONG THE TRACK

"What do I hear as I go about life? It is a good question to ask ourselves. What have I heard today that has stayed in my mind? Did I focus on the positive or the negative? Was I so focussed on myself that I missed what others were talking about, some important messages perhaps? Did I listen only to those I agree with? Did I really listen or was I waiting to jump in with my response, my own story? What has that got to do with listening to the Scriptures? ..."

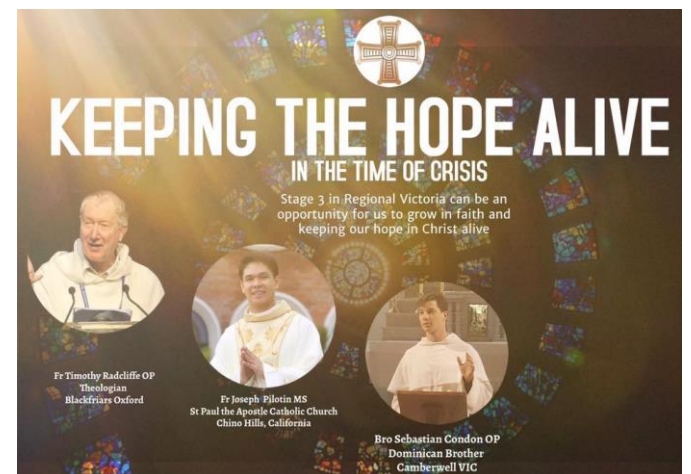
This is an extract from Jim Quillinan's Along the Track article ("The Prism").

If you would like to read the **rest of this article**, it can be found on our Parish website at www.kyabramcatholicparish.org.au under 'Other Information' on the Home page.

KEEPING THE HOPE ALIVE

St Kilian's Parish six-week small reflections program through their Facebook page continues each **Thursday at 10.30am**, providing an opportunity for us to grow in faith and keep our hope in Christ alive.

Last Thursday Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP, an amazing person, a master theologian, a prolific writer, and a great speaker gave a clarity of message of HOPE. If you missed joining in, the video is still able to be watched on St Kilian's Facebook page.



QUOTE

When you look for the good in others, you discover the best in yourself. – Martin Walsh

www.dailyinspirationalquotes.in

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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

Recently Deceased: -

Anniversaries: -



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

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STORMING HEAVEN (repeated for those they may have missed this in last weekend's bulletin)

Fr Tony Hill from Euroa and Nagambie Parish had a great idea about 'storming heaven' that maybe we here in our Kyabram Parish can do.

With the return to Stage 3 restrictions, Fr Tony remembered an old Irish custom when people were ill or in danger, of "storming heaven". That meant getting people to pray hard.

Without doubt we're all doing that now anyway, but Fr Tony has suggested that everybody stops what they're doing at 5.30pm every day and prays one decade of the Rosary.

That's all. One decade.

But if enough of us set aside the 5 minutes or so, we can together "storm heaven". If we know we're doing that with other parishioners it will help.

As the Memorare reminds us "Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided."

Euroa and Nagambie Parish started during the week, but anyone can join in on any day at 5.30pm.

Fr Tony said they would love anyone to join them. In his words: "I'm reluctant to say 'it'd be good if the idea went viral', but maybe by going viral we'll help things along!"

OUR BULLETIN

We continue to provide our weekly on-line 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.

OUR WEBSITE

<https://kyabramcatholicparish.org.au/>

Please see our Parish website for information about other options available for online Masses, as well as resources for Sunday readings and family prayer.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable."

(Romans 11:29)

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone.