

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

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

19th April 2020



Readings for 1 Peter 1:3-9 this week: John 20:19-31



Readings for next Sunday:

Acts 2:14, 22-33 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35



Liturgical JottingsBaptismal Water

The Easter Vigil is the Great Night for Baptisms but due to the virus precautions baptisms and the RCIA have been postponed. The Blessing of Easter or Baptismal Water and the Font, if celebrated at all, were without the people participating.

The Old & New Testaments have many images of water. Water is a great physical symbol, carrying many spiritual meanings: washing away sin, dying and rising from the font, refreshment, life and power.

Together with the words and the intentions of the Church the one baptised is reborn with sins forgiven, initiated into faith and community. During these times each baptism will have fresh water blessed each and every time.

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Looking at the Readings

The themes for the second Sunday of Easter set the tone for the entire Easter season. They are all directed toward mystagogical instruction, primarily of the neophytes who were baptised during the Easter Vigil, but also of the whole Christian community. The readings for this season provide us an extended meditation on the resurrection and on our own incorporation into it through the mysteries of initiation.

Most of us are like Thomas who looked for some tangible evidence of the resurrection. We do not find it any easier to live by faith than he did. However, when we do live by faith, we actually discover tangible proof. This proof can be seen in the way the community reaches out in care and support to others. Jesus extends his wounded hands to us as he did to Thomas, and the community is invited to touch his wounds as we touch the wounds of our world. We find a similar situation in the reading from Acts where the fledgling Christian community grew in number as a result of the teaching of the apostles. So it has always been. Those who are not eye witnesses of the actual events are called, through the teaching of others, to witness to the power of the resurrection.

Although the blessings that we derive from the resurrection are clearly gifts from God, they are nonetheless costly gifts. They have been won through the blood of Christ, and we too may have to pay dearly for having received them. © Dianne Bergant CSA.

Good Idea for the Week

We expect cards at Christmas, but not at Easter. Letter drop your neighbourhood with a Resurrection card about Jesus' peace, love and forgiveness or an Anzac Card to others not of Christian faith, expressing hope, peace and mateship.

Pope Francis Easter Homily last year

Dear brothers and sisters: let us put the Living One at the centre of our lives. Let us ask for the grace not to be carried by the current, the sea of our problems; the grace not to run aground on the shoals of sin or crash on the reefs of discouragement and fear. Let us seek him in all things and above all things. With him, we will rise again.

On the Lighter Side

If I agreed with you, we would both be wrong.

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

When a teacher sends you out of the classroom you know you have won the argument.



OUR BULLETIN

Welcome again to 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.

We will also endeavour to provide information that is as up-to-date as possible, however please be mindful that in the rapidly changing world we find ourselves in, that sometimes information contained in the bulletin may be outdated by the time you read it.

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.

BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS

- Special birthday wishes and congratulations to Nella DeMaio who celebrated her 80th birthday this week.
- Also, our prayers and blessings are with Cristina Damaschino who celebrated her 100th birthday this week. Special birthday wishes & congratulations to you Cristina!



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM POSTPONED

Due to Covid 19, it has been decided to postpone the 2020 Sacramental Program (which was due to start this term) to 2021 where we will have two groups. The sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist will be held in August 2021.

Please pass on to any families not at St Augustine's or St Patrick's schools.

For any queries, please contact our Pastoral Associate Alma Limbrick on 0417 184 527.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

St Augustine's Parish Pastoral Council is saddened by the sudden death of Denis Wood, a member of the PPC, a tireless, faithful and compassionate worker in St Vinnies, our parish and local community.

We assure Doreen and family of our prayers and condolences at this sad time.

May Denis now rest peacefully in the arms of our God whom he served faithfully during his lifetime.

Denis Wood's funeral will be on Tuesday 21st April at 2.00pm and will be live-streamed from Clive Coventry Facebook page, which you can find here:

https://m.facebook.com/CliveCoventryFunerals/

QUOTE

I salute those people who smile despite all of their problems. – *Unknown*

www.dailyinspirationalquotes.in

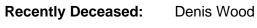
MASS FOR YOU AT HOME

Some options for you:

- MASS AT ST KILIAN'S ON SUNDAY Mass will be celebrated at St Kilian's Church, Bendigo, this Sunday at 10.00am, livestreamed to the diocese's website: https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/
- 'MASS ON DEMAND' every day from Our Lady of the Way Parish, Nth Sydney & Lavendar Bay Livestream or video archive: https://cathnews.com/ (Scroll down) and Facebook: 'Mass on Demand'.
- DAILY TV MASS Livestream or video archive from the National Catholic Broadcasting Council of Canada: https://dailytvmass.com/ and Facebook: 'Daily TV Mass'
- MASS FOR YOU AT HOME live streamed at 6.00 am every Sunday on Channel 10: https://10play.com.au/mass-for-you-at-home?

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Una Donegan, Joan Childs, Jacqui Rosendale



Anniversaries: Normah Reid

(Our practice is to leave the names on the sick list for a month. Please contact the parish office to renew for another month.)





This year, celebrate the 20th official worldwide ...

Divine Hercy
Sunday
19 April, 2020

Live-Streamed only from St. Mary's, Dandenong

Jesus asked Saint Faustina: "Gather all sinners from the entire world and immerse them in the abyss of My mercy . . . On the day of my feast, the Feast of Mercy, you will go through the whole world and bring fainting souls to the spring of My mercy. I shall heal and strengthen them." "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Diary 206, 699)

PLEASE NOTE - READ CAREFULLY

Due to recent and changing government regulations regarding the Corona Virus, please be aware that celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday at any church is restricted. Therefore, we will be live-streaming the Divine Mercy celebration on the internet using YouTube.

You can go to St. Mary's YouTube Channel at 2:30pm on Sunday 19 April, 2020 and you will see the Live Video. You are welcome to Subscribe to their Channel.

St. Mary's, Dandenong YouTube Channel link is: http://tiny.cc/stmarysyt

2:30pm Adoration and prayers.

2:45pm Personal witness with music - Gary Pinto

3:00pm The Divine Mercy Chaplet, The 3 O'Clock Prayer

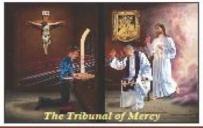
3:15pm Holy Mass celebrated by Fr. Brendan Lane

Cantors: Joan Drago and Gary Pinto

4:15pm Blessing with Saint Faustina's First Class Relic

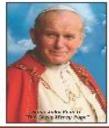


To observe Divine Mercy Sunday fittingly, we should precede the feast by a nine-day novena of reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet, beginning on Good Friday (privately said).



"When you approach the Confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul." (Diary 699)

"Whoever sincerely says 'Jesus, I trust in You', will find comfort in all fears." Pope John Paul II, 7/6/97



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Parish Pastoral Council

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

ALONG THE TRACK - 'The Challenge'

"Don't we love a challenge? We watch them on all sorts of programs on TV and other media platforms. The weekly footy is usually laced with the language of challenge, the survival of the fittest. Reality TV even makes a cooking show a challenge and pretending to survive in a jungle. Video games are designed to challenge the player at many levels. We humans like to think of ourselves as dominant in just about every aspect of life. But now we have a challenge in real life, a battle that we have never fought before. ..."

This is an extract from Jim Quillinan's Along the Track article. 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' from the Home page.

SUNDAY READINGS AND FAMILY PRAYER FOR SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Liturgy Brisbane has again provided resources which we invite you to share in preparation for the Second Sunday of Easter. The resources can be found on the Liturgy Brisbane website and will be updated each week -

https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/prepare/sunday-readings-and-family-prayer/



THANK YOU



Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2020.

If you have a **Project Compassion donation**, this can be banked in the Sandhurst Caritas Account (details are Name: RHayesKStone BSB: 083-760 Acc No: 66-451-1663) and email caritasjustice@sandhurst.catholic.org.au for a receipt.

Or if you prefer, cheques can be posted to PO Box 130, Numurkah 3636. **OR** you can **donate online at www.caritas.org.au**.

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Don't forget that Caritas has also put together some amazing resources to help you pray, teach and reconnect with your family over this difficult time.

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CLICK HERE for COVID -19 resources, prayers and at home activities