



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Parish Priest – Fr Uday Marneni ALCP/OSS

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Cycle B

21 January 2024



Readings for
this week:

Jonah 3:1-5,10
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20



Readings for
next Sunday:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Mark 1:21-28



Liturgical Jottings

Liturgy and Christian Life 2

Biblical and historical background

From Moses through the prophets the Hebrew religion maintained a close connection between response to God and response to neighbour and between love of God and love of neighbour. The prophets insisted that worship of God was futile and offensive from a people who neglected or exploited the poor and the stranger. Justice in life was essential to authenticity in liturgy. The love by God was manifested above all in Jesus' death and resurrection, recalled and shared in the liturgies of Eucharist and Baptism (1 Cor 12; Rom 6). The Early Church Fathers in their preaching and letters maintained the crucial connection between true worship and good living. Liturgy as summons to, judgment on, and empowerment of Christian life remained a church constant through the centuries.

Looking at the Readings

Today we reflect on the first and most important responsibility of discipleship, namely, evangelisation, the goal of which is the proclamation of the reign of God. God seems to choose the most unlikely people to preach to others. It does not matter who brings the good news, but who receives it. Jonah the prophet was sent to outsiders, even enemies. The disciples were fishermen who spoke to the people of their own country. God's salvation is intended for all, and it seems to make little difference who brings this good news.

Today's readings call for repentance. The grace of God requires a new way of living, a life of faith and commitment. The gospel invites us into the age of fulfilment, a salvific reign of truth, compassion and kindness. It is a way of life that leads to justice.

There is an urgency in these readings. This world in its present form is passing away, and God's call demands a total response. Like the disciples, we must leave the familiarity of our former ways and follow the call that we have heard in the depths of our hearts. We are called first to enter the reign of God and then to spread it. As ambassadors of God, we bring the good news of salvation wherever we are and in whatever we do. Called by God, we now begin to live in a totally different way, guided by the values of the reign of God rather than those of the world that is passing away. © Dianne Bergant CSA

Pope Francis: Three Attitudes on Discipleship 1

The first attitude is going to what is essential. In the Gospels, Jesus teaches us that discipleship requires a relationship with God — not merely following rules or exhibiting outward actions without really changing your heart. Discipleship must begin with a living experience of God and his love, a continuous movement towards Christ his kindly and active presence and listening to his word." (Medellin 9/7/2016)

On the Lighter Side

During a lesson on whales a young girl asked "Do whales swallow people?" The teacher replied "No, they have throat pleats that filter their food of krill and plankton. She said: "But the Bible says Jonah was swallowed by a whale." The teacher stressed: "Whales cannot swallow people." The girl said: "Well, when I get to heaven I'll just ask Jonah if he was really swallowed by a whale." The teacher asked: "What if Jonah went to hell?" The girl then replied: "Well, then you can ask him."

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Paul Genio, Tony Barca, John Moran, Jodie Potts, Philip Bowman, Anne Dodd, Kady Mitchell-Treacy, Trevor Peterson, Amy Nicholson.

Recently Deceased: David Shaw, Domenic Muto, Shane McDonell,

Anniversaries: Elisa Caviccholo, Arthur and Iris Nicholson

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



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Principals

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

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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

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

FORTNIGHT MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sun 21st January - 8.30am

Sun 21st January - 12.00pm - Merrigum

Tue 23rd January - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 25th January - 9.15am

Weekly Masses

Sat 27th January - 6pm Mass - cuppa after Mass

Sun 28th January - 8.30am

Tue 30th January - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm **Liturgy**

Thu 1st February – 11.30am – St Augustines School opening Mass

Weekly Masses

Sun 4th February - 8.30am

Sun 4th February - 11.30am - Tongala

Tue 6th February - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 8th February - 10am - Anointing Mass

Thu 8th February – St Patrick's opening school Mass
12 noon

ROSTERS

Saturday 27th January at 6pm

Commentator – W Mulcahy

Lector – M Radanov

Special Minister – A O'Meara

Sunday 28th January at 8.30am

Commentator – N Watt

Lector – M Carver

Special Minister – A Ryan

Sunday 4th February at 8.30am

Commentator – V Fox

Lector – A Snell

Special Minister – M DiPetta

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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

Last week's Collection is \$ 1608.60

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.

PARISH PASTORAL COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Committee will be held on Tuesday, 13th February, 5.45pm (following Mass) in the Parish meeting room.

LITURGY MEETING

The next meeting of the Liturgy group will be held on Tuesday, 23th January, 5.45pm in the meeting room.



COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

We have one 2024 Columban Mission art calendars still available for sale for \$10, available from gathering place.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

If you would like an anniversary Mass for your loved ones, feel free to contact the Parish office (telephone 5852 1026) to arrange a suitable day.

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 concerns, please contact Finola Price 03 5852 1310 or Mary Zobec 0427 190 282.

A 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.



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IS EASY, AND THE
EFFECT IT HAS
IS ETERNAL

These can be filled in and left with your will. Please contact Vicki or email the office for a copy.

MEN'S CHOIR

The men's choir is on the 1st Sunday of the month. Please come at 8am, Sunday 4 February to practice.



PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Parish Finance Committee will be held on Tuesday, 5th March 2024 commencing at 6.00pm in the Parish meeting room.

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

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

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

3 months (12 weeks) \$16.67 per week \$200

6 months (25 weeks) \$12.00 per week \$300

12 months (50 weeks) \$10.00 per week \$500

If you know someone who may be interest or if you would like further details, please talk to Fr Uday, a member of the Finance Committee or Vicki in the office.

SCHOOL OPENING MASS

The St Augustines opening school Mass will be held on Thursday 1st February at 11.30am.

ST PATRICKS SCHOOL OPENING MASS

The St Patricks opening school Mass will be held Thursday 8th February at 12noon.

ANOINTING MASS

The next anointing mass will be held on Thursday 8th February at 10am, followed by a cuppa. Time change to due to opening school Mass.



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.



DO YOU KNOW WHAT SACRAMENTALS ARE?

Sacramentals are powerful & blessed objects that can be a means to express your faith in God and are instruments of grace that God uses to draw us closer to Him and to work through our lives to protect and sanctify us. Sacramentals come in different forms like rosaries, medals, pictures, statues of saints, scapulars, crucifixes, incense, salt, water, oil etc. When a Sacramental is blessed, they have the power to bring down God's graces upon the user, they protect us and have power to bring a soul to conversion and lead them to the sacraments. Sacramentals can bring spiritual healing to a soul, give you grace to fight temptations and deliver you from many dangers. (www.scapulars-au.com)

PARISH SUPPORT

Thank you to our generous givers for your ongoing support of our Parish! Our Planned Giving and collections are for – parish operating expenses, churches maintenance, clergy support and presbytery support. If you are a new parishioner or now in a position to give there are many ways to give to our church needs. Giving is by way of church envelopes, direct debit or periodic credit card payments and is flexible to suit your preference of weekly, fortnightly, monthly, quarterly, and half yearly or yearly. You can also give without a set pledge amount or timeframe to give by. We encourage anyone who is not on the Giving Program to contact the parish office. Thank you for considering this option to support our Parish.



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St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

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PIETY STORE

Have you checked out the piety store in the gathering space of the church? Do you have a family baptism, sacramental member? Why not grab a lovely gift?

Would you like to volunteer to help with the store? There is a clipboard to put your name down to be included on the roster.

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FUNDRAISER FOR ST AUGUSTINE

We still have a couple of wood scroll Calendars 2024 available in the Piety Store in the gathering space at the church, after the weekend Masses. Calendars are \$20 each and we only have 3 different calendars left, **Divine mercy(x1), St Anthony (x2), and Sacred Heart Jesus(x1)**. All money raised to St Augustine Parish.



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