



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

Thirty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday 14th November 2021



Readings for
this Sunday

Daniel 12:1-3
Hebrews 10:11-14, 18
Mark 13:24-32



Readings for
next week:

Daniel 7:13-14
Apocalypse 1:5-8
John 18:33-37



Liturgical Jottings

End-Time in Liturgy

The Eucharistic Liturgy contains elements of the past, present and future and beyond time. Each Mass points to the end of time where our redemption is accomplished (Prayer Over the Gifts 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time and Holy Thursday) and that Christ will come again (Acclamation of Faith II). The Prayer After Communion always points to the future: "By what you give us in this present age [we may be] prepared for the gifts that are eternal. (29th Sunday in Ordinary Time) is a good example. "When the liturgical year celebrates facts, successions of historical gestures and deeds, it does not attend to these as such, but to the eternal contents they explain and hold." (Odo Casel 1946)

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Focus on the Readings

This Sunday we have the last reading of Mark's Gospel for the year. It is also the last chapter before the Passion and Resurrection narrative. Thus it is Jesus final missionary dialogue with his disciples. He gives the prophecy of the last days of the world. But in the midst of the cosmic catastrophes that both Daniel in the first reading and he in the gospel foretell, the people will be spared and shine forever (Daniel) and we will experience his power and glory (Mark).

The predictions of the end of time are recorded in the three synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke) at the end of Jesus' Mission. They contain images and symbols that have been widely and at times erroneously interpreted. While the beginning of time started with creation, the end of time begins with not a destruction of creation but a new creation; Christ is the new light, the people are newly created. The physical details are hidden just as the details of the first creation were mysterious and only poetically or in faith described. We are created in the image of God, we are re-created in the image of Christ our Saviour.

Today we also conclude the reading from the book of Hebrews in which the author compares the sacrifice of old with the new and eternal sacrifice of Christ. Again we are included in the new and eternal: "Christ has achieved the eternal perfections of all whom he is sanctifying (10:14).

As disciples of Jesus we live in hope, not in fear; we stay awake and not fall into complacency. We are God's chosen people, Christ's redeemed.

Quote of the Day

Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn. *Benjamin Franklin.*

Pope Francis on Mark 13 (Homily 15 Nov 2015)

Presence of Jesus calls us to the anticipation and vigilance that exclude both impatience and lethargy, both the escaping to the future and the becoming prisoners of the current moment and of worldliness. In our days, too, there is no lack of natural and moral disasters, or of adversities and difficulties of every kind. Everything passes, the Lord reminds us; he alone, his Word remains as the light that guides and encourages our steps. He always forgives us because he is at our side. We need only look at him and he changes our hearts.

On the Lighter Side

From the beginning of eternity to the end of time and space to the beginning of every end; and the end of every place, what am I? The letter "e".



MASSES IN OUR PARISH

Under current Covid restrictions, Mass attendance requirements in our Parish are as follows:

- Weekend Masses at St Augustine's Church in Kyabram are capped at 100, and all those attending aged 16 years and above must show proof of full Covid vaccination (booking to attend Mass is no longer required).
- Monthly Masses at both Merrigum and Tongala will remain capped at 30 without the need to book in or provide vaccination status.
- Weekday Masses in St Augustine's Church will remain limited to 30 with no check of vaccination status.

For those who are unvaccinated, they are encouraged to attend our weekday Masses or the monthly Merrigum or Tongala Masses.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

Thank you to our generous givers, your financial support is much appreciated! Letters and new envelopes have been posted. If you have not received your letter please contact the Parish Office.

The Income and Expenditure letter was also included in the mail out. Further copies are available at the back of the church for parishioners who are not on the Planned Giving Program.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

There will be three Sacramental Masses being held on the weekend of 27th and 28th November, which will only be open to the Sacramental children and a set number of their family.

We ask that you keep these children and their families in your prayers.



FLYER – MASS TIMES

Available at our sign-in tables are A5 printed cards of our ongoing Mass Times, which you may like to take to keep in a prominent spot at home.

Please feel free to take extras to pass on to others that may be interested.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

This weekend we welcome
Benjamin Mark Posteraro
into our faith community.



Please keep Benjamin and his parents, Lorenzo and Kristina, and godparents in your prayers.

ITALIAN MASS

Fr John will celebrate an Italian Mass on **Thursday, 18th November** in St Augustine's Church at 11.00am. All welcome.

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES DURING NOVEMBER

For those wishing to have deceased family and friends prayed for during November, a basket will be available in front of the Font to place the names and remembrance envelopes for our deceased loved ones. November offering envelopes are available at the back of the church.

Alternatively, for those unable to attend Mass, November envelopes with names can also be dropped off into the mailbox at the presbytery front door.

SERVICE TO REMEMBER LOVED ONES

St Augustine's Parish Bereavement Support Group together with the Kyabram District Nursing Service, invite all those in our community who are grieving to attend the –

Memorial Service
St Augustine's Church Kyabram
Thursday, 25th November 2021 at 7.00pm

ALONG THE TRACK

The latest article "Something to Consider" from Jim Quillinan's Along the Track is now available on our Parish website at <https://kyabramcatholicparish.org.au/> under 'Other Information' on the Home page.

MASS TIME & ROSTERS – NEXT WEEKEND

Sunday 21st November at 8.30am:

Commentator – T Hehir; Lector – M Carver;
Special Minister – M Cocks

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Megan De Pasquale, Julie Shaw, Joan Childs

Recently Deceased: -

Anniversaries: Domenico Quattrocchi, Rosa Creno, Luigi Corso

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



DIARY DATES

Mon	15 Nov	-
Tues	16 Nov	Mass 5.00pm St Aug's College Graduation Mass 6.00pm (Graduation students and parents only)
Wed	17 Nov	-
Thurs	18 Nov	Mass 9.15am Italian Mass 11.00am
Fri	19 Nov	-
Sat	20 Nov	No Mass
Sun	21 Nov	Mass 8.30am
Mon	22 Nov	-
Tues	23 Nov	Mass 5.00pm (Intention – Vocations to Religious Life)
Wed	24 Nov	-
Thurs	25 Nov	Mass 9.15am Memorial Service 7.00pm
Fri	26 Nov	-
Sat	27 Nov	Sacramental only Masses 10am & 4pm Mass 6.00pm
Sun	28 Nov	Mass 8.30am Sacramental only Mass 11.30am No Merrigum Mass

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Mass Times

Kyabram

Week Day Masses (Tuesday and
Thursday): see Diary Dates

Saturday (2nd and 4th Saturday of
the month): 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am

Tongala

Second Sunday of month 11.30am

Merrigum

Fourth Sunday of month 11.30am

Reconciliation – Second Saturday
of the month at 5.30pm (before 6pm
Mass) in St Aug's Church Kyabram.

Mass of Anointing is held the first
Thursday of the month at 10.00am in
St Augustine's Church.

SANDHURST WORLD YOUTH DAY

Next weekend, Catholic young people around the world will be celebrating local World Youth Day.

Sandhurst Youth Ministry re inviting all young people aged 15-30 to join in the local celebration at St Kilian's Church from 1-8pm, **Saturday 20th November**. Guests include Gen Bryant and Josh Angrisano as well as several other workshop presenters. We will also be joined by Bishop Shane Mackinlay and Fr Rob Galea.

Register to attend in person: trybooking.com/BUXWA or head to YouTube on the day to join the Livestream from 4:30pm on the Sandhurst Youth Channel.

More information is available on the Sandhurst Youth Facebook and Instagram pages.

Alléluia, alleluia!
Be watchful, pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand before
the Son of Man.

Alléluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 13:24-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Mark.

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

"Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, nor one but the Father.

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

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Breaking Open the Word



THE SAVING WORD

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'MY WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY'

The language of Daniel's prophecy and Jesus' dire warnings concerning the day of judgement that will accompany the return of the Son of Man were intended to be deliberately unsettling. In the centuries immediately preceding Jesus' birth a style of literature developed which is now known as apocalyptic. The seeds for this style of preaching and literature had been sown earlier by the prophets who had spoken of the day of the Lord. At its heart was the belief that God would forcefully intervene in human history and set in order all that humanity had wounded through violence, sin, and unfaithfulness. It was theological reflection on a large scale since it gave expression to the deep-seated belief that God was the Lord not only of life and death but of human history as well.

Faced with a world that desperately needed to be set in order, the apocalyptic literature expressed the belief that the means that God would use would be cataclysmic, involving the resurrection of the dead prior to the distribution of rewards and punishments. The signs that would accompany this moment of judgement and grace were cosmic, involving the disruption of the natural order of the universe.

It is this mode of expression which Jesus himself uses in speaking of God's intervention in our world at the coming of the Son of Man. It is crucial to note that while the heavens and earth will be overturned there is a point of reference that does not change or pass away – Jesus' life-giving word.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Dan 12:1-13

A reading from the prophet Daniel

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

■ **The word of the Lord.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:5, 8-11

R. Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

1. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; / it is you yourself who are my prize. / I keep the Lord ever in my sight: / since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad: / even my body shall rest in safety. / For you will not leave my soul among the dead, / nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

3. You will show me the path of life, / the fullness of joy in your presence, / at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**



SECOND READING

Heb 10:11-14, 18

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

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