



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

Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday 1st May 2022



Readings for this week:

Acts 5:27-32,40-41
Apocalypse 5:11-14
John 21:1-19



Readings for next Sunday

Acts 13:14,43-52
Apocalypse 7:9,14-17
John 10:27-30



Liturgical Jottings

Altar Frontals

The sides of altars facing the people are often decorated by "pieces" of artwork or symbols. Common ones are simple Chi-Rho or IHS (Greek initials for Christ) or images of the Last Supper or the sacrificial-victorious Lamb of God. One of the most famous Altar Pieces is the Ghent Altarpiece, also called the Adoration of the Mystic Lamb. It is a large and complex 15th-century polyptych altarpiece in St Bavo's Cathedral, Ghent, Belgium. Completed in 1432 and attributed to Flemish painters Hubert and Jan van Eyck, it depicts the vision of John which is given in today's second reading (Rev 5) and next week (Rev 7).

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Looking at the Readings

The readings for this Sunday are full of action and symbolism. The Apostles face the courts and warned not to preach or use Jesus' name. It was their opportunity to teach about the resurrection to their accused. The warning, of course, did not stop them proclaiming "Jesus is Lord, He is risen." May we have the boldness of the earliest Christians to acclaim our faith in face of opposition.

John has a wonderful vision in the second reading, may his description of the scene inspire and teach us about the glory of heaven and grasp the concept of the vast number saved by Christ.

The apostles did not catch any fish on their first foray after Easter: were they really trying, were they filling in time, were they hoping for something else? Jesus did appear, they caught loads of fish, Peter jumped out of the boat, they all had breakfast Jesus prepared and had that dialogue with him. The miraculous catch: "sign of the Church", the breakfast: "sign of the sacred meal to which we are all called", and the deep, life changing dialogue with Peter: "sign of reconciliation and transformation from fisherman to shepherd." This is not a demotion but an elevation to be the shepherd of the Church: but both a suffering and glorious Church!

Easter Prayer for the Week

All power and all authority in heaven and on earth have been given to you, Lord Jesus; you rule with decrees that are firm and trustworthy. Be with us always so that we may make disciples whose holiness will be worthy of your house.

The Saints on Easter

The Church recognises two kinds of life as having been commended to her by God. One is a life of faith, the other a life of vision; one is a life passed on pilgrimage in time, the other in a dwelling place in eternity; one is a life of toil, the other of repose; one is spent on the road, the other in our homeland; one is active, involving labour, the other contemplative, the reward of labour. The first kind of life is symbolised by the apostle Peter, the second by John. All of the first life is lived in this world, and it will come to an end with this world. The second life will be imperfect till the end of this world, but it will have no end in the next world. *St Augustine Tract. 124,5,7*

On the Lighter Side

A picture is worth a thousand words, but it uses up ten thousand times the disk memory.



WELCOME AND THANK YOU

A very warm welcome and a big thank you to St Brendan's Parish Shepparton for helping out with Masses while Fr John is away.

We look forward to celebrating Mass with Fr Joe Taylor (Parish Priest), Fr Paul Sireh, Fr Jophin Joy and Fr Jackson Saunders during this time.

In case of an emergency, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Alma Limbrick, on mobile 0417 184 527.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

A reminder that our 2022 Sacramental Program (Reconciliation) starts this **Monday, 2nd May** at 7.00pm in St Augustine's Church.

ANNIVERSARY MASS

Dr Backhaus offered the first Mass in Bendigo on 2nd May 1852, at Golden Square. This year marks the 170th anniversary of that significant celebration.

Bishop Shane will offer Mass at St Monica's, Kangaroo Flat, on **Monday 2nd May** at 5.30pm to mark the anniversary.

A warm welcome to all who would like to attend.

SANDPIPER E-NEWS

Sandpiper e-News is the official newsletter for the Sandhurst Diocese.

You can subscribe to Sandpiper e-News from the homepage of the Diocesan website www.Sandhurst.catholic.org.au and keep up to date with all of the Good News.

It's a way for people in our parish communities across our Diocese to connect with each other and share their stories which, whether you know it or not, can inspire, motivate, and uplift others to live their lives more fully.

Sandhurst e-news is published every fortnight. If you would like a print-out of the e-News, please contact the parish office.

If you have any questions or a story for the Sandpiper e-News, please contact the editor, Katrina, on 0419 015 696.

CELEBRATING SYNODALITY IN SANDHURST

Video 3: "Communion"

Mason Crosier and Ryerson De Lai, Faith and Ministry Trainees at Notre Dame College in Shepparton, discuss the various meanings of communion, and how it manifests in our experiences as parishioners and in our personal relationships with God.

The Video can be viewed on the Diocese of Sandhurst YouTube Channel.

SANDHURST SCRIPTURE TALKS

"Growing faith communities for our mission today: Insights from the genius of St Paul"

In June 2022, the Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst will be hosting a series of Zoom talks on Sacred Scripture which inform and support the faith-life of the people of God in the Diocese of Sandhurst, particularly in the light of our present context: the diocesan Go Forth review, the Plenary Council of the Australian Church, the Synod on Synodality and our socio-cultural reality.

The series will start on 9th June with Dr Chris Cotter, Director of Mission and Pastoral Life, talking about the social context of the Church today. On 16th June, Rev Dr Brian Boyle EV, a scripture scholar, will focus on 'Paul the Man, the Preacher, the Strategist'. And on 23rd June and 30th June, Dr Rosemary Canavan will speak on the themes "1 Thessalonians, Paul's first letter: forming the Ekklesia as the family of God" and "Living and Walking in the Spirit" respectively.

More information and registration details will be made available via the Sandpiper e-News and on our website www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au.

MASS TIMES & ROSTERS – NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 7th May at 6.00pm:

Commentator – W Mulcahy; Lector – M Radanov; Special Minister – A O'Meara

Sunday 8th May at 8.30am:

Commentator – N Watt; Lector – M Carver; Special Minister – B Lyon

Sunday 8th May at Tongala at 11.30am.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Kadyne Mitchell-Treacy, Megan De Pasquale, Julie Shaw, Joan Childs, Anne Dodd

Recently Deceased: Olivette Kenny

Anniversaries: -

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



DIARY DATES

Mon	2 May	Start of Sacramental Program (Reconciliation) 7.00pm
Tues	3 May	Rosary 4.45pm Liturgy of the Word with Communion 5.00pm
Wed	4 May	-
Thurs	5 May	No Liturgy
Fri	6 May	-
Sat	7 May	Mass 6.00pm (and cuppa after Mass)
Sun	8 May	<i>Mother's Day</i> Mass 8.30am Mass 11.30am Tongala
Mon	9 May	-
Tues	10 May	Rosary 4.45pm Liturgy of the Word with Communion 5.00pm PPC meeting 5.45pm
Wed	11 May	-
Thurs	12 May	Liturgy of the Word (no Communion) 9.15am (St Aug's Years 1 and 2) Sacramental Program – Parents Formation Night with Children – The Shape of Reconciliation 7.00pm
Fri	13 May	-
Sat	14 May	No Mass
Sun	15 May	Mass 8.30am (and cuppa after Mass)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

“...Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, ‘Do you love me?’ and he said to him, ‘Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my sheep.’” (JOHN 21:17)

How often do you actually say the words “I love you” to Jesus, to family members, or to friends?

We are made to be in relationship with God and each other. Sincerely telling someone that you love them is the best gift you can give them because it comes from your heart. You are giving them the gift of yourself. We all crave love.

Tell someone you love them every day.

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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.

Breaking Open the Word

THE SAVING WORD

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER / C

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like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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THE CALL TO NEW LIFE

If the story of Israel and the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus teach us anything it is that God always seeks us out in our weakness. God's untiring love and mercy enable us to begin anew, to start again, to dare to believe that we too might come to share in the peace and joy of the resurrection.

In the first reading from Acts, the Jewish authorities are unsettled and disconcerted by the ministry of the apostles and their message. In their fear and rage, they seek to stop them. While they focus on the fact that they are being held responsible for the death of Jesus they fail to hear that they are being called to a new beginning through repentance by changing their minds about Jesus' identity and mission. Despite Jesus' brutal death, forgiveness of sins is possible, a door is open for them if they can take hold of the opportunity. Unfortunately, their fear blinds them and their response is a misguided attempt to discipline and control the apostles and their ministry.

In the Gospel, Peter, who knew the reality of failure and weakness in his life, does not make the same mistake. When he recognises the Lord, he seizes the opportunity. He may have denied Jesus before his death but he will not make the same mistake again. The three questions of the risen Lord painfully call him to come to acknowledge his three denials. Jesus accepts what he can give and calls him to accept a new responsibility for the flock; a new chapter in his life is about to begin.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING Acts 5:27-32, 40-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men: it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour; to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13, R.v.2

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. (or Alleluia!)

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. / O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead / restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. **R.**

2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. / His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. / At night there are tears, / but joy comes with dawn. **R.**

3. The Lord listened and had pity. / The Lord came to my help. / For me you have changed my mourning into dancing. / O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. **R.**



SECOND READING

Apoc 5:11-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse
The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory, and blessing.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen!'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ is risen; the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people.

GOSPEL

In 21:1-14 (longer form: In 21:1-19)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened