

# **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

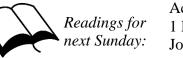
#### Third Sunday of Easter



 Acts 2:14, 22-33

 Readings for
 1 Peter 1:17-21

 this week:
 Luke 24:13-35



Acts 2:14, 36-41 1 Peter 2:20-25 John 10:1-10



## **Liturgical Jottings** Spiritual Communion

It has long been a Catholic understanding that when circumstances prevent anyone from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion, which is a source of grace. Spiritual Communion means uniting oneself in prayer with Christ's sacrifice and worshipping him in his Body and Blood. The most common reason for making an Act of Spiritual Communion is when a person cannot attend Mass. Acts of Spiritual Communion increase our desire to receive sacramental Communion and help us avoid sin.

During the COVID pandemic, many are viewing Mass at Home or over the internet. The celebrant invites the distance-congregation to join in the prayer of Spiritual Communion (see right column) so that they feel connected to the Mass and one another.

## Looking at the Gospels

The two disciples on the road to Emmaus, proclaimed in today's Gospel, travel on a unique journey which has many implications for them, other disciples and for us today. Firstly it becomes a moment of conversion for them. They are despondent and shattered by the death of Jesus. Secondly after recognising the Risen Christ they are overcome with joy and enthusiasm. They quickly reversed their journey, despite the lateness of the hour to share their experiences with the Twelve.

Some years ago I had a day in London waiting for a flight home. Not to waste the opportunity I visited the NGA and arrived just in time to hear a lecture on Caravaggio's painting "The Supper at Emmaus" The art expert, an Australian, enthralled his audience for over an hour. He retold the story, and highlighted the genius of the artist in drawing the two companions out of the painting by the torn sleeve but at the same time drawing the viewers into the scene by the magnanimous arms gesture of the other. We are invited to share the meal, listen to the Lord and go out to spread the [good] news. The lecture and the painting gave me material for many a homily and much food for prayer. I was so impressed I bought the painting. Well, not really, but four A4 prints of the work.

## Good Idea for the Week: Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there And unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

## Pope Francis Easter Urbi et Orbi 2020 Blessing

Dear brothers and sisters, indifference, self-centredness, division and forgetfulness are not words we want to hear at this time. We want to ban these words forever! They seem to prevail when fear and death overwhelm us, that is, when we do not let the Lord Jesus triumph in our hearts and lives. May Christ, who has already defeated death and opened for us the way to eternal salvation, dispel the darkness of our suffering humanity and lead us into the light of his glorious day, a day that knows no end. With these thoughts, I would like to wish all of you a happy Easter. (final paragraph)

## On the Lighter Side

The art lecturer [Looking at the Gospel, above] told his audience about the bowl of fruit half sitting on the table



and half suspended in the air. Each morning one of the gallery's curators must come in and pick up the bowl of fruit fallen on the floor and place it back onto the table.

## 26<sup>th</sup> April 2020

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#### ANZAC DAY

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, this year's ANZAC Day will obviously look and feel very different.

However, parishioners are encouraged to continue to remember those who have served, as well as those who have lost their lives, as we do in regular ANZAC Day ceremonies, liturgies and celebrations.

An ANZAC Day Mass will be livestreamed from the St Kilian's Facebook page on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 12.10pm.

Lest We Forget.

#### Prayer

Remember, O Lord, all those the brave and the true, who have died the death of honour and are departed in the hope of the resurrection to eternal life. In that place of light from which sorrow and mourning are far

banished, give them rest, O Lord, thou lover of men. And grant to us who remain the spirit of service which may make us worthy of their sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



https://anzacday.org.au/prayers-for-anzac-day-services

## QUOTE

Distance yourself from negativity and great things will happen. – Unknown

www.daily inspirational quotes. 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: <u>https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/</u>
- 'MASS ON DEMAND' every day from Our Lady of the Way Parish, Nth Sydney & Lavendar Bay Livestream or video archive: <u>https://cathnews.com/</u> (Scroll down) and Facebook: 'Mass on Demand'.
- DAILY TV MASS Livestream or video archive from the National Catholic Broadcasting Council of Canada: <a href="https://dailytvmass.com/">https://dailytvmass.com/</a> and Facebook: 'Daily TV Mass'
- MASS FOR YOU AT HOME live streamed at 6.00 am every Sunday on Channel 10: <u>https://10play.com.au/mass-for-you-at-home</u>?

#### SANDHURST YOUTH MINISTRY'S WEEKDAY MORNING PRAYER

To help everyone get their day started while working and studying from home Sandhurst Youth Ministry are posting weekday Morning Prayer videos at 8:30am.

They are using a range of prayer styles offering young people the chance to pray in different ways each morning.

Videos are posted on the Sandhurst Youth YouTube Channel.

#### STRONGER

Lockdown can't stop us! We'll be bringing our next Stronger Rally right to you in the comfort of your own home!

It won't look quite the same as a regular Rally but this special Lockdown Edition is here to help keep our faith going strong!

What do you need to do?

Keep **Friday 1st May** free from about 6.15pm until around 8.30pm and join us and our special guests for the evening!

Bishop Shane Mackinlay, Gen Bryant, Fr Rob Galea, and a special international guest will all be making an appearance. This is going to be a night you don't want to miss out on!

We invite all young people aged 14-26, and those interested in watching along with them, to join us on the Stronger Youth YouTube Channel while we chat, listen to some music and pray.

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#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sick:

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

**Recently Deceased:** 

Denis Wood, the four Victorian Police Officers recently killed in the line of duty



Anniversaries:

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

## **Parish Priest**

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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

#### FIRST ASSEMBLY OF PLENARY COUNCIL POSTPONED

In response to the dramatic changes caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Bishops of Australia have made the difficult but necessary decision to postpone the first assembly of the Plenary Council, which was scheduled to be held in October this year.

Changes in the way people live, work and communicate due to the pandemic, led the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council to consult with the advisory and planning teams, as well as the wider Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, as part of making this decision.

Plenary Council President, Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB, has noted that in a time of such upheaval, including severe restrictions on travel and group meetings, the postponement was unavoidable. The Bishops will consider proposals for an alternative timeline for the Council's two assemblies at their biannual meeting in May. They remain committed to the Plenary Council journey and affirm that two assemblies will take place.

Announcements and up-todate information can be found at the Plenary Council website: PlenaryCouncil 2020 Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/

#### 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.

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 <u>Kyabram@cdos.org.au</u>.

Our peace and blessings to you all.