



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

14 May 2023



Readings for this week:

Acts 8:5-8,14-17
1 Peter 3:15-18 or 4:13-16
John 14:15-21 or 17:1-11



Readings for next Sunday:

Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:17-23
Matthew 28:16-20



Liturgical Jottings

Dedication of a Cathedral

Through his death and resurrection, Christ became the true and perfect temple of the New Covenant and gathered together a people to be his own. This holy people, made one as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are one, is the Church that is, the temple of God built of living stones, where the Father is worshiped in spirit and in truth. Rightly, then, from early times 'church' has also been the name given to the building in which the Christian community gathers to hear the word of God, to pray together, to celebrate the Eucharist and to receive the sacraments. #1 The anniversary of the dedication of its cathedral is a solemnity in the cathedral and a feast in the churches of the diocese. It is desirable that the bishop celebrate the Eucharist with the council of priests and as many people as possible. #26 Rite of Dedication of a Church. Anniversary of Dedication of Sacred Heart Cathedral is on Monday 15 May.

Looking at the Readings

We live in hope because we have been blessed with the opportunity of participating in the exaltation of Jesus. This hope is based on promises: the promise that we will not be left orphaned when Jesus returns to his Father; the promise that we will be comforted by the Spirit whom Jesus will send. It is trust in God that enables us to live in this world as if the promises have already been fulfilled, for in fact, it is precisely such living that fulfils them.

We have not celebrated the Ascension, and yet all three readings speak of the Spirit. The same Spirit, who quickened the resurrected life of Jesus, enlivens us. This Spirit strengthens, comforts, guides and inspires us. Life in the Spirit requires that we conform our lives to the command-ments of God, not in a legalistic or constraining way but out of love. The love that comes to us through the Spirit will then overflow into the lives of others, and we will be agents of God's love in the world.

The Spirit given by Christ is mediated through the laying on of hands. This still happens in our day in the gentle touch of friends, in the loving touch of parents, in the healing touch of those who cure both the body and the spirit. The liturgical year is preparing us for the Ascension of Jesus into heaven, and Jesus is preparing us for life in the Spirit here on earth. This is the reason for our hope." © Dianne Bergant CSA

World Social Communications Day 14 May

Focus for this Day 2023 is "speaking with the heart". It is the heart that spurred us to go, to see and to listen, and it is the heart that moves us towards an open and welcoming way of communicating.

May the Lord Jesus, the pure Word poured out from the heart of the Father, help us to make our communication clear, open and heartfelt.

May the Lord Jesus, the Word made flesh, help us listen to the beating of hearts, to rediscover ourselves as brothers and sisters, and to disarm the hostility that divides.

May the Lord Jesus, the Word of truth and love, help us speak the truth in charity, so that we may feel like protectors of one another.

Pope Francis Message for 57th World Day of Social Communications.

On the Lighter Side

What is Thor's preferred method of communication?
Norse code.

What are gangsters preferred method of communication?
Gmail

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Fr Steve Bowhan, Cheryl Pearce (Baker), Anne Dodd, Philip Bowman, Sam Peyton, Ainsley Lane, Shane McDonell, Kadyn Mitchell-Treacy, Samantha Kurilic, Trevor Peterson.

Recently Deceased: Bill Worm, Margaret Myers.

Anniversaries:

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



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Fr John Paul Pasala,

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Parish Finance Committee

Fr John Paul Pasala,

Wayne Mulcahy (Chairperson),

James Harris (Deputy Chair)

John Zobec, Naomi Hehir, 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 12.00 noon

Reconciliation – Second Saturday of month at

5.30pm (before 6pm Mass) in St Augustine's Church

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

FORTNIGHT MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sat 13th May - 5.30pm Reconciliation

Sat 13th May - 6pm - cuppa after Mass

Sun 14th May - 8.30am

Tue 16th May - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 18th May - 9.15am – Year 7 & Year 11

Weekly Masses

Sun 21st May - 8.30am – cuppa after Mass

Sun 21st May - 12 noon - Merrigum – community meeting following Mass

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

Thu 25th May - 9.15am

Fri 26th May - 11.30am - National Sorry Day Mass at Brigidine Centre

Weekend Masses

Sat 27th May - 6pm

Sun 28th May - 8.30am

Tue 30th May - 5pm

ROSTERS

Sunday 21st May at 8.30am

Commentator – T Hehir

Lector – V Fox

Special Minister – M Cocks

Saturday 27th May at 6pm

Commentator – J Harris

Lector – L Ratcliffe

Special Minister – C Stewart

Sunday 28th May at 8.30am

Commentator – N Watt

Lector – M Carver

Special Minister – M O'Shea

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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

Last week's Collection is \$1175.35

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 58521310.

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 AND COMMUNITY MEETING

Following Mass at Merrigum on Sunday 21st May at 1pm there will be a meeting to discuss, what is the future for the Merrigum Church. We encourage all parishioners and community members to attend both the Mass at 12noon and the meeting at 1pm.

PARISH GENERAL MEETING

On Sunday 4 June following 8.30am Mass a general meeting will be held to present the financial report for last year and discuss the introduction of a new credit card payment system at the church. We also like to update parishioner on the reintroduction of the stations of the cross. We would love to see all parishioners in attendance for your feedback and ideas for the church.

JESUS REVOLUTION

Kyabram Churches with the Kyabram Plaza theatre presents Jesus Revolution, screening for 2 nights only, Sunday 21 May and Wednesday 24 May at 7pm Doors open at 6.30pm. Tickets \$12 each.

SACRAMENTAL CHILDREN

This weekend our sacramental children are being presented with their workbooks during mass.

We keep these children and their parents in our prayers as they start this sacramental journey.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING 27th May, 2023.

In line with National Day of Prayer and Fasting, as an initiative the ministers fellowship, churches in Kyabram will have their doors open for prayer throughout the day. St Augustine's will have our doors opened from 8am-10am. Come in and pray for our nation. You may come and go as you wish.

The theme for 2023 is Love and Unity: The scriptural theme is found in John 13:34-35: A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples. The purpose of the National Day of Prayer and Fasting is to come together as one, humbling ourselves in prayer and fasting, to see God glorified in our Nation, contending for Revival and Transformation for Australia.

SCHOOL CONCERT

Our Foundation - Year 6 students will be performing a range of songs accompanied by a musician named Andrew Chinn on Thursday 18th May in our Brigidine Centre. It will commence at 2pm and go for approx 60 minutes. And we're sure our students would LOVE an audience! If any Parishioners would like to join us they would be most welcome!

NATIONAL SORRY DAY MASS

There will be a National Sorry Day Mass held on Friday 26 May at 11.30 in the Brigidine Centre. We would love to see lots of parishioners to join in on the special occasion.

A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER



*Lord Jesus,
you have known a mother's love
and tender care, and you will hear,
while for our mothers most dear,
we offer this Mother's Day prayer.
Protect the lives, we pray,
of those who have given us the gift of life.
May our mothers know from day to day
the deepening joy that comes from your presence.
We cannot pay our debts
for all the love that we have received;
but you, Lord, will not forget their due reward.
Bless our mothers both on earth and in heaven.
Amen.*

PPC MAY REPORT

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

All Parish workers (PPC, PFC, Special Ministers, etc) are being asked to provide their **Working With Children (WWC)** cards to the Parish. They are also asked to complete an online learning module related to the Working with Children Standards. For those who are unable to do it online a training session will be held on **Wednesday 31st May in the church at 10am**. An invitation letter will be sent to these parishioners who are required to attend.

For more information, please call Finola Price 5852 1310, Mary Zobec 0427190282 or Parish office on 5852 1026.

Certificates received from the online learning course and copies of WWC cards need to be stored in the secure location at the Parish. They can be given to Vicki on a Tuesdays or Thursdays at the Parish Office.

'FUNCTION, ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PPC' BOOKLET

Brendan Lane has updated a booklet outlining the function, role and responsibility of the PPC. The PPC is in the process of reviewing this booklet and then it will be distributed to Parish members

LAUDATO SI' WEEK

16th – 24th May is a global celebration where we remember Pope Francis urging us in his encyclical *Laudato Si'* to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and to humbly place ourselves in communion with our common home. As a Catholic Earthcare Parish we celebrate our part in the great progress the whole Church is making on its journey towards the seven *Laudato Si'* Goals set before us by Pope Francis to achieve ecological conversion.

KYABRAM CHURCHES WITH THE KYABRAM PLAZA THEATRE PRESENT

JESUS REVOLUTION

SCREENING FOR 2 NIGHTS ONLY!

SUNDAY 21 MAY & WEDNESDAY 24 MAY
Screening at 7pm | Doors open at 6.30pm

In the 1970s, young Greg Laurie is searching for all the right things in all the wrong places: until he meets Lonnie Frisbee, a charismatic hippie-street-preacher. Together with Pastor Chuck Smith they open the doors of Smith's languishing church to an unexpected revival of radical and newfound love, leading to what TIME Magazine dubbed a JESUS REVOLUTION

M Mature themes and drug references

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