



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

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)

3rd May 2020



Readings for this week:
Acts 2:14, 22-33
1 Peter 1:17-21
Luke 24:13-35



Readings for next Sunday:
Acts 2:14, 36-41
1 Peter 2:20-25
John 10:1-10



Liturgical Jottings

Letters of St Peter

As the Gospels of third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent, Year A, focus on instruction about Baptism and particularly relevant for the RCIA, so too are the Second Readings of the Sunday of Easter Year A. They are taken from the first letter of St Peter. This letter addresses many themes of Baptism. We may call this letter a presentation of post-baptismal catechesis. From the Second to the Seventh Sundays of Easter the themes in the letter are

- rebirth in Christ,
- redeemed by his blood,
- healed by Christ and united by the shepherd,
- made a holy and priestly people,
- Risen Christ is our hope, and
- reception of the Spirit.

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Looking at the Readings

The first reading is Peter's speech at Pentecost. We celebrate Pentecost in four week's time, but today we listen to St Peter's talk to the large gathering afterwards. The Lectionary doesn't follow strict chronological order but has a catechetical, theological pattern. The initial preaching of the Apostles after the resurrection is "Jesus is Risen! He is Lord!"

The Second reading (1 Peter) freely quotes the Prophet Isaiah's passage on the suffering servant (Is 53:5-12) and associates the servant with Christ and now with all Christians. By our baptism into Christ we take on Christ's suffering, death and resurrection.

This fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. This year we have the opening verses of John Chapter 10, an introduction to the Good Shepherd teaching. This week Christ says: "I am the Gate" to the sheepfold, to safety, to the fullness of life. Next year on this Sunday we read from John 10:11-18: "I am the Good Shepherd" and in year C, John 10:27-30, the conclusion: "I know my sheep, ... they listen to my voice ... and the Father and I are one." Christ's words today, "I am the gate" offers his disciples authenticity, assurance and security over any other influences or powers in our world.

Prayer for the Week

O God, you never cease to call even those far away, for it is your will that all be drawn into one fold. Attune our ears to the voice of the Good Shepherd, who leads us always to you, that we may find under your tender protection life in all its fullness. (1998 ICEL Missal, Year A)

Pope Francis' Urbi et Orbi Message 2020

In these weeks, the lives of millions of people have suddenly changed. For many, remaining at home has been an opportunity to reflect, to withdraw from the frenetic pace of life, stay with loved ones and enjoy their company. For many, though, this is also a time of worry about an uncertain future, about jobs that are at risk and about other consequences of the current crisis. I encourage political leaders to work actively for the common good, to provide the means and resources needed to enable everyone to lead a dignified life and, when circumstances allow, to assist them in resuming their normal daily activities.

On the Lighter Side

At children's liturgy of the Word, after the gospel was read the leader talked about shepherds leading sheep to pasture, and protecting them from wild animals and thieves. She asked who is our Shepherd today? A child quickly replied: "Jesus!" Then what is our parish pastor? Another quick reply: "he is Jesus' sheepdog!"



WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS

Today (3rd May - Fourth Sunday of Easter) is the World Day of Vocations.

Pope Francis tells us:

Every vocation is born of that gaze of love with which the Lord came to meet us, perhaps even at a time when our boat was being battered by the storm. We will succeed in discovering and embracing our vocation once we open our hearts in gratitude and perceive the passage of God in our lives. (Message for World Day of Prayer for Vocations, 2020)

Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends.

May our prayers and presence reflect the gaze of love from the Lord to help them discover their vocation.

SANDHURST YOUTH MINISTRY'S WEEKDAY MORNING PRAYER

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

We will be 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.

If you are aged 15-30 and would like to be involved in the Weekday Morning Prayer videos, please get in touch with Ruth: ruth.lawlor@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

CLEAR THE DIARY FOR SATURDAY 9th MAY - OH WAIT, IT'S ALREADY CLEAR!

You're all set, then, for a free online concert called LoungeRoom Sessions, featuring some of Australia's greatest musicians, in support of Caritas Australia and their annual appeal, Project Compassion.

On Saturday, 9th May, **Gary Pinto**, Aria award winning artist and musical mentor to the stars will lead an all-star music line-up for the Project Compassion COVID-19 Benefit Concert.

Gary recently penned a powerful tune for Caritas Australia, to support Project Compassion, with its theme of 'Let's Go Further, Together'. Called Walk With Me, it's a song about walking in solidarity with the poor. [You can hear it here!](#) Now, Gary would like to Go Further, Together, by bringing Australian and International musicians from their lounge rooms to yours!

With COVID-19 shutting down Australia's schools and churches – the places where Project Compassion usually raises most of its funds – it became clear to Gary the campaign would need more help. Gary got on the phone to his many friends in the music industry. Don't miss it! To view the concert, you'll need to register – check out the line-up and register at caritas.org.au/loungeroomsessions

QUOTE

When someone helps you and they are struggling too, that's not help, that's love.

– Unknown

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Fr Ted Harte, Una Donegan, Joan Childs, Jacqui Rosendale
Recently Deceased: -
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.)

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The following is a message from Bishop Les on the Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel sent to our diocese:

Dear Bishop Shane, Monsignori, Fathers, Deacons, Seminarians and the People of Sandhurst,

I take the occasion of the Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel, our Patroness, to write to you of my affection and esteem for you, and my daily prayer for you all, particularly as we make our way through these challenging times of isolation and dislocation to our usual way of life.

May the Lord be close to each one of us and especially those who are impacted by this pandemic – those who are ill those who have friends and relatives who have succumbed to the illness, those who are experiencing financial difficulty and those for whom the isolation is a burden – bringing us strength, wisdom and courage.

With prayerful best wishes,

*Yours sincerely in Christ
+ Les Tomlinson (Most Reverend Les Tomlinson DD)*

ON LINE IDEAS

At this time when we are communicating with people on line much of the time, it is an opportunity to enter into the world of young people, and engage with them in a new way. The Masses that are being streamed may be one of the few times that they may engage with the Church; the posts on social media; the new and innovate ways of pastoral ministry – these are all opportunities to spread the message of vocation in a new way.

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 Kyabram@cdos.org.au.

Our peace and blessings to you all.