



# KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**13 August 2023**



*Readings for this week:*

1 Kings 19:9,11-13  
Romans 9:1-5  
Matthew 14:22-33



*Readings for next Sunday:*

Isaiah 56:1,6-7  
Romans 11:13-15,29-32  
Matthew 15:21-28



## Liturgical Jottings

### Night Prayer (Compline)

Compline also known as Night Prayer, or the Prayers at the End of the Day, is the final prayer liturgy (or divine office) of the day in the Christian tradition of canonical hours, which are prayed at fixed prayer times. The English word is from the Latin completorium, as compline is the completion of the waking day. Compline is a part of Catholic, Anglican, Lutheran, and Eastern Orthodox, and certain other Christian traditions. It tends to be a contemplative office that emphasises spiritual peace. In most monasteries it is the custom to begin the "Great Silence" after compline, during which the whole community, including guests, observes silence until first prayer in the morning. It comprises of an "Examen" of the day hymn, one or two psalms, a reading, response, the canticle of Simeon: "Nunc Dimittis" (Luke 2:29-32) concluding prayer and an anthem to Mary.

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## Looking at the Readings

Theophany is not a word we use often, yet today we have the witness of two theophanies: God manifesting himself to humans. First to Elijah on Mt Horeb in the sound of silence and then to the apostles when Jesus calmed the sea and the wind. Only God has that power. We read: "they bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'" (14:33) The parallel passage in Mark portrays great emotions not found in Matthew: they were terrified by the storm and utterly and completely dumbfounded by the miracle. (Mark 6:49,51). Elijah was much encouraged to now continue his mission, the apostles were beginning to recognise Christ.

Several times in the Gospel we hear Peter wanted to follow the Lord. He has great eagerness and faith but also has fears and misunderstandings. So many times Peter expresses out aloud what the others are thinking to themselves. Each Christian wants to affirm their faith, increase their trust and understanding so as to follow Jesus more closely. We rejoice in the epiphanies and theophanies moments, even when they are not as often as we would like.

## Did You Know?

Hills and mountains are often referred to where Jesus goes to pray. He prays alone or in accompany with a few. Interestingly there are no hills near the Lake of Galilee, Matthew's reference that Jesus went up into the hills has a metaphoric meaning rather than a geographic reality. It most likely indicates a time of quiet solitude and prayerfulness.

## Prayer for the Day

God of all power, your sovereign word comes to us in Christ. When your Church is in danger, make firm our trust; when your people falter, steady our faith. Show us in Jesus your power to save, that we may always acclaim him as Lord, who lives and reigns God for ever and ever. Amen.

## Quote of the Week

But grace, for ourselves and for others, is obtained by humble prayer, by mortification, and by fidelity in the accomplishment of our own ordinary duties, including the simplest ones."

*St. Maximilian Kolbe (1894, d 14/8/1941, Auschwitz)*

## On the Lighter Side

One night Tom's parents overheard his night prayer. "Now I lay me down to rest, and hope to pass tomorrow's test, if I should die before I wake, that's one less test I have to take."



## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Sick:** Fr Steve Bohan, Anne Dodd, Sam Peyton, Philip Bowman,  
Shane McDonell, Kadyn Mitchell-Treacy, Trevor Peterson, John Zobec, Mary McNamara.

**Recently Deceased:**

**Anniversaries:** Constantina Palma, Roman Luvara, Loyala de Ignacia Baric

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



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**Mass Times**

[Kyabram](#)

Week Day Masses (Tuesday & Thursday): see Diary

Saturday (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month): 6pm

Sunday: 8.30am

[Tongala](#)

First Sunday of month 11.30am

[Merrigum](#)

Third Sunday of month 12 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 12<sup>th</sup> August - 5.30pm Reconciliation

- 6pm Mass – cuppa after Mass

Sun 13<sup>th</sup> August - 8.30am

Tue 15<sup>th</sup> August - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass – Feast  
of the Assumption of Our Lady

Thu 17<sup>th</sup> August - 9.15am – Foundation & Year 12

### Weekly Masses

Sun 20<sup>th</sup> August - 8.30am – cuppa after Mass

Sun 20<sup>th</sup> August – 12.00pm - Merrigum

Tue 22<sup>th</sup> August - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Liturgy

Thu 24<sup>th</sup> August – 9.15am – Year 5/6 & Year 10

### Weekly Masses

Sat 26<sup>th</sup> August - 5.30pm Reconciliation

- 6pm Mass – cuppa after Mass

Sun 27<sup>th</sup> August - 8.30am

Tue 29<sup>th</sup> August - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

## ROSTERS

### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August at 8.30am

Commentator – N Watt

Lector – M Carver

Special Minister – A Ryan

### Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August at 6pm

Commentator – J Harris

Lector – W Mulcahy

Special Minister – L Moran

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 8.30am

Commentator – V Fox

Lector – T Hehir

Special Minister – M DiPetta

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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

**Last week's Collection is \$ 761.85**

## CHILD SAFE PARISH

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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 5852 1310.

## 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.

## GRANDPARENTS MASS

On Thursday 24 August at 11am there will be a Mass for Grandparents at St Patrick's Tongala. All parishioners welcome.

## PARTNERSHIP LUNCHEON

On Thursday 24 August at 1pm the Parish will be hosting the partnership luncheon with student leadership of St Augustine's school. Parishioners are encouraged and welcome to come along, please rsvp to the office by Sunday 20 August.

## HOME COMMUNION

The Parish offers home communion. If anyone has a family member or loved one at home requiring communion, please contact the Parish Office.

## MULTI MEDIA POLICY

Our diocese has a multimedia policy that requires permission for photos or videos to be taken at mass or church gatherings. From time-to-time photos or videos are taken at special occasions.

These may be used on the web page or Facebook page. If you are not comfortable for your picture to be online please let the office (5852 1026) or Safeguarding officer know.

## SANDHURST LAUNCH of SEASON OF CREATION

You're all invited to come and celebrate our Care for Creation at Notley Picnic Ground, Whipstick Forest, Bendigo on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September**, beginning with **Mass at 11am** celebrated by Bishop Shane followed by **Picnic Lunch**. BYO chairs encouraged although some seating available. Sausage sizzle provided or BYO lunch if preferred. BYO hot/cold drinks; BYO water bottles – water on site. **EVERYONE** is invited and encouraged to come along and celebrate in this beautiful venue. It's also the first day of spring and National Wattle Day! RSVP not essential but if you & friends are coming then letting us know by texting 0408 579 904 would be helpful.

## MEN'S CHOIR

The men's choir will be restarting on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month. Please come at 8.00am to practice with Brendon.

## SUGGESTION BOX

Did you know we have a suggestion box in the gathering space? Any ideas or suggestions are welcomed.

## ANOINTING MASS

Did you know that the Anointing Mass is not only for the sickly and fragile but for anyone who is in need of healing of mind, body and spirit? Our next Anointing mass will be 7 September at 10am followed by a cuppa.

## FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

A mass to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption will be on Tuesday at 5pm in the church. Rosary will be recited at 4.45pm.

## PFC MEETING

A reminder that the next PFC meeting will be on Tuesday at 6pm in the Parish meeting room.

## FEAST OF ST AUGUSTINE'S

A school mass will be celebrated on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August in the Brigidine Centre at 11.30am. All Parishioners are invited to attend.

The Parish will celebrate this Feast on the weekend of 26/27<sup>th</sup> August. There will be a cuppa after mass on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>. Please bring a plate.

## VOCATIONS WEEK 6 – 12 AUGUST

During Vocations Week we are called to pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. To start vocations week, on Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup> some of the Sunday Masses in the diocese will be offered for vocations, and Serra Club members will be handing out "31 Club" cards at the conclusion of some Masses in the Bendigo area. Please consider taking a card and committing to pray one day a month for vocations so that parishes can remain open and served by their local priest.

During vocations week, we invite all to join Serra members at St Therese's, Kennington at 9.15am each morning from 7 to 11 August for Mass and Adoration for vocations. Fr Andrew Fewings and Fr Stephen Bolling will conduct the ceremonies.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Are you new to the Parish? We would love to get to know more about you. There are forms around the church for you to fill in your details so our Pastoral family can reach out to you. Please fill in a form or reach out to one of our parish volunteer to introduce yourself.

## MINISTRY OF LECTOR AND COMMENTATOR

We are looking for new people to be readers and commentators. If you are interested, please write your contact details on the clipboard in the gathering space or contact parish office. Training will be made available.

## SAFEGUARDING

In line with our Safeguarding policy for children and adults at risk, information can be found on the notice board in the gathering space. Please make yourselves familiar with the information provided. If you have any concerns, please contact Finola Price 03 58521310 or Mary Zobec 0427 190 282.

"Faith in the resurrection of Jesus says that there is a future for every human being; the cry for unending life which is a part of the person is indeed answered. God exists: that is the real message of Easter. Anyone who even begins to grasp what this means also knows what it means to be redeemed." *Pope Benedict XVI*

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