

# **KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH**

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

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#### Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 this week: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30



Readings for next Sunday: Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28 Matthew 25:31-46



Liturgical Jottings Eucharistic Prayer part 11 Renewal and Reform

Two principles of the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965) were Aggiornamenta From the Italian meaning bringing up to date to meet current needs and Resourcement from the French meaning in this context to return to the authoritative sources of Christian faith. The two principles are seen most active in the reform of the Eucharistic Prayers (EP) in the Roman Missal. The Roman Canon was the only EP approved after the reforms of 1600. It had a structure adopted from the Alexandrian tradition and needed some rework. Other EP's were sourced from the Antiochene traditions, giving special attention to the placements of the epiclesis and intercessions. EP2 was largely reworked from EP of St Hippolytus, EP3 adapted from the Gallican and Mozarabic traditions and EP4 from Egyptian anaphora of St Basil in structure and wording.

## Looking at the Readings

The Gospels of last week, this week and the next are from Matthew Chapter 25. Three parables that Jesus addresses to his disciples about the waiting for his return. They are the last parables and come just before the account of his passion, death and resurrection. Last week and this, the gospel insists on the urgency of active watchfulness since no one knows when the Son of Man will come again. The Gospel for next Sunday, the Feast of Christ the King, Christ has come, like a king to judge the people.

The celebration of these Sunday urges a fresh awareness for the essential and dynamic dimensions of the believer's everyday life and the way they participate in the liturgy. Like the bridesmaids in the parable last week, we want to be awake and ready, and like the servants in today's gospel we want to be diligent in our tasks allotted to us. And so may we participate worthily in these mysteries, for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice at the altar is celebrated the work of our redemption is accomplished. (cf. Prayer over the Gifts, Holy Thursday)

## **Book of Proverbs**

This Old Testament Book is a collection of collections of maxims, proverbs and an acrostic poem (today's first reading). While many parts were written over a long period of time the final edition was probably 6<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> century BC. The poem about the "ideal wife" (Jerusalem Bible) or "virtuous woman" (Good News Bible) seems anachronistic to modern ears. It is like a eulogy intent to give praise to the diligent person who is in wonder and awe of God.

### Pope Francis' Laudate Deum

3. The Weakness of International Politics: There is need to provide a response to new problems and to react with global mechanisms to the environmental, public health, cultural and social challenges in order to consolidate respect for the most elementary human rights, social rights and protection of our common home. All this presupposes the development of a new procedure for decision-making and legitimizing those decisions. In this framework we require spaces for conversation, consultation, arbitration, conflict resolution and supervision. It is no longer helpful for us to support institutions in order to preserve the rights of the more powerful without caring for those of all. (42,43)

## **Quote of the Week**

Patience and Diligence, like Faith, move mountains. William Penn

## On the Lighter Side

Diligence is the mother of good luck. Benjamin Franklin The harder I work, the luckier I get. Samuel Goldwyn © 2023 Diocese of Sandhurst

#### 19 November 2023

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Sick:** Maria Zappala, Philip Bowman, Anne Dodd, Sam Peyton, Shane McDonell, Kadyn Mi Trevor Peterson, Amy Nicholson, John Nisbet.

**Recently Deceased:** 

Anniversaries: Allan Baker

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

### **Parish Priest**

Fr John Paul Pasala Kyabram Presbytery: 5852 1026 Tatura Presbytery: 5824 1049 Parish Office Email: kyabram@sandhurst.catholic.org.au Website: www.kyabramcatholicparish.org.au Parish Administrator Vicki Arnel - 0417 147 695 Parish Pastoral Assistant Mary Zobec – 0427 190 282 Principals St Augustine's College Jay Sutton – Phone 5851 3000 St Patrick's Primary Jackie Stockdale – Phone 5859 0371 Parish Pastoral Council Fr John Paul Pasala, Alana Brennan (Chairperson) Maurie Finn, Veronica Fox, Mary D'Augello, Carl Cabaraban. Brendon Lane, Jackie Stockdale, Finola Price, Natalie Watt, Jay Sutton, John Forde Parish Finance Committee Fr John Paul Pasala, Wayne Mulcahy (Chairperson), James Harris (Deputy Chair) John Zobec, Chris Moor, Mary Zobec. 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 - held on the first Thursday of the month at 10am in St Augustine's Church.

## FORTNIGHT MASS TIME TABLE

#### Weekly Masses

- Sun 19<sup>th</sup> November 8.30am
- Sun 19<sup>th</sup> November 12.00pm Merrigum (Baptism)
- Tue 21<sup>st</sup> November 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass
- Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> November 9.15am

#### Weekly Masses

- Sat 25<sup>th</sup> November 5.30pm Reconciliation
  - 6pm Mass cuppa after Mass
- Sun 26<sup>th</sup> November 8.30am
- Tue 28<sup>th</sup> November 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass
- Thu 30<sup>th</sup> November 9.15am

#### Weekly Masses

- Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> December 8.30am
- Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> November 11.30am Tongala
- Tue 5<sup>th</sup> December 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass
- Thu 7<sup>th</sup> December 10am Anointing Mass

#### ROSTERS

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm Commentator – S Carroll Lector – J Harris Special Minister – A O'Meara Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 8.30am Commentator – M Carver Lector – N Watt Special Minister – A Brunt Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 8.30am Commentator – A Snell Lector – V Fox Special Minister – M Elliot

#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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

#### Last week's Collection is \$ 1260.75

#### **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 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.



#### **CUPPA AFTER MASS ROSTER**

A new roster is being drawn up for next year for the monthly cuppa after mass on second Saturday and third Sunday of each month. Minimal preparation is required for this most important ministry.

We would love for more people to come on board. Commitment about twice a year. There is a clipboard at the back of the church to register your name and state your preferences.

#### **BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS**

This weekend we welcome Thomas Brenton Humphries into our faith community. Please keep Brenton and Jasmine, Thomas' parents and Dominica Bowden and Ben Humphries his godparents in your prayers, as they continue on their faith journey.

#### **ORDER FOR GOD'S WORD**

Order for God's Word are still being taken. Clip board in the gathering space for orders.

#### CARITAS SERVICE OF SOLIDARITY WITH GAZA & THE HOLY LAND

In a time of deep sorrow and anguish for us all, we look for hope and healing. Let us come together in love, prayer and support. Let us acknowledge the reality that impacts us all as we share messages of hope. The Australian Catholic Bishops have said: 'Peace can come only from justice. We call people of faith to pray with us for a lasting peace and the triumph of human dignity.' Please join us: **Monday 27 November 4:30 to 5pm** Registration is necessary at: https://caritas.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_DWjzzzhRoGN8QOifg61Zg

#### **CHRISTMAS MASS FOR PRISONERS**

On Friday 15th December Father John will be celebrating a special Christmas Mass at Dhurringile Prison at 4.30pm. Fr John would like to invite Parishioners to join him, the prisoners and Chaplains for this Mass. If you would like to come, please contact Debbie on 0407804317 (AH) and provide your full name, address and date of birth before **Monday 20** November to organise your visit.

#### SOCIAL GATHERING

A social gathering (Happy Hour) will be held monthly at Parkland Golf Club. Starting on Thursday 23rd November at 4.30pm. Bring along a small plate of nibbles to share. Drinks at bar prices. Invite a friend or someone who may live alone. All welcome

#### **ANNUAL CEMETERY MASS**

Cemetery Mass will be held on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 9am. Please bring a chair.

#### PAST STUDENTS & FRIENDS MEMORIAL SERVICE

Will be held on Saturday 25 November at 5pm in the school memorial gardens. Mass will follow at 6pm followed by cuppa.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthday wishes for Betty Baker who turned 80 last week.

#### **RETIRED PRIESTS COLLECTION**

A collection will be taken next Sunday 26 November for the Retired Priest appeal.

#### **RCIA RITE OF WELCOME**

This weekend we celebrate the Rite of Welcome for Belinda Fitzpatrick, who over the past couple of months has been enquiring about our Catholic Faith. Belinda has committed herself to preparing for full initiation into our Catholic faith this coming Easter. We ask parishioners to keep her and her sponsors and families in their prayers.

#### **CHRISTMAS TREE**

This year we are invited to donate toys, toiletries, and non-perishable groceries for distribution locally by St Vincent de Paul. Please leave your donation under the Christmas tree in the church. Also, envelopes are also available on the Christmas tree for cash donations or gift cards. There will be a box available to put these in. St Vincent de Paul will collect all items after Sunday Mass on 10th December. Thank you for your generosity.

#### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL QUESTIONNAIRE

Parishioners we need your help and opinions. Commencing the weekend 5<sup>th</sup> November, the PPC is conducting a questionnaire to gauge parishioner's opinions about the activities in our parish and to obtain suggestions to strengthen our parish. Please fill in the questionnaire and place in the suggestion box located in the gathering space. Feel free to take the questionnaire home and return next time you are at Mass. Thank you for your time.

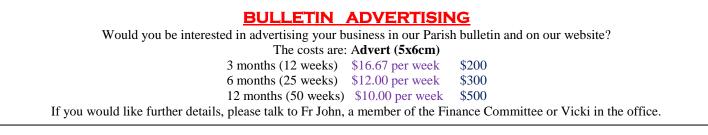
#### FUNDRAISER FOR ST AUGUSTINE

We have wood scroll Calendars 2024 available in the Piety Store in the gathering space at the church, after the weekend Masses. \$20 each and 5 different calendars, **Divine mercy**, **Holy Family**, **Miraculous**, **St Anthony**, and **Sacred Heart Jesus.** All money raised to St Augustine Parish.



"To be tempted is a sign that the soul is very pleasing to the Lord." St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

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## **PIETY STORE**

Have you checked out the piety store in the gathering space of the church? Do you have a family baptism, sacramental member? Why not grab a lovely gift?

Would you like to volunteer to help with the store? There is a clipboard to put your name down to be included on the roster.





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