



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

22 October 2023



Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 45:1,4-6
1 Thessalonians 1:1-5
Matthew 22:15-21



Readings for
next Sunday:

Exodus 22:20-26
1 Thessalonians 1:5-10
Matthew 22:34-40



Liturgical Jottings

Eucharistic Prayer part 7

Doxology

The concluding doxology is:

“Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever. Amen.”

by which the glorification of God is expressed and which is affirmed and concluded by the people's acclamation Amen. GIRM 79h.

The word “Doxology” is formed from two Greek words: DOXA which means opinion or glory and OLOGY which means word, discourse or study. As a liturgical word, Doxology has acquired the sense of a hymn of glory to God.

It is a brief prayer of praise which emphasises the Lord Jesus role as mediator in the context of the Trinity, thus turning the prayer into the praise and glory of God.

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Looking at the Readings

The first reading from Isaiah may be inaccurately reduced to subduing the power of rulers of nations. Likewise the Gospel reduced to the issue of paying/avoiding taxes. But taking a synoptic view of the Old Testament reading and the Gospel together it is more than power and taxes. Rather it prompts us to find the right relationships between earthly authority and God's authority and will. Firstly God has called his people by their name, He has established and maintained a relationship of protection, compassion and justice.

Having that right relationship with God we give to God what is God's: praise and thanksgiving, worship and love, peace and justice, service to others and finally true happiness. Jesus neither advocates compromise or a sort of dichotomy between state and church authorities. The separation of powers, whether imposed, negotiated or presumed cannot be autonomous or absolute, or simply public and private There is an interdependence. Each has responsibilities towards the good of the people and the care of creation.

Quote of the Day

“In the same way as Caesar looks for his image on a coin, God looks for his in your soul. “Give back to Caesar what is Caesar's,” the Saviour says. What does Caesar demand of you? His image. But Caesar's image is on a coin, whereas God's image is in you. If the loss of a coin causes you to weep because you have lost Caesar's image, would not any damage brought in you to God's image be for you a cause for tears?” *St. Augustine sermon 24.*

Prayer for the Week



O God, whose image we bear
and whose name we carry,

yours is the world and all it contains.

Recall us to our true allegiance,

so that above the powers and rulers of this world

you alone may claim our fullest loyalty and love. Amen.

On the Lighter Side

I heard the atheists are trying to get tax exempt status now. They are a non-prophet organisation.

A successful tennis player has a lot of net income.

My local tax firm is a great place to work. Everybody counts.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Philip Bowman, Anne Dodd, Sam Peyton, Shane McDonell, Kady Mitchell-Treacy, Trevor Peterson, Amy Nicholson, John Nisbet.

Recently Deceased: Marina Alford, Kathy Kukuljan

Anniversaries:

(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 (2nd and 4th 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

Sun 22nd October - 8.30am - cuppa after Mass

23rd October Prayer for Peace 7.00pm

Tue 24th October - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 26th October - 9.15am – Grandparents & Special Friends day Mass – Brigidine Centre

Weekly Masses

Sat 28th October - 5.30pm Reconciliation
- 6pm Mass

Sun 29th October - 8.30am

Tue 31st October - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 2nd November – 10am Anointing Mass

Weekly Masses

Sun 5th November - 11.30am – Tongala

Tue 7th November - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 9th November – 9.15am – Year3/4 & Year 9 Memorial Service 7.00pm

ROSTERS

Saturday 28th October at 6pm

Commentator – W Mulcahy

Lector – M Radanov

Special Minister – L Moran

Sunday 29th October at 8.30am

Commentator – E Luvara

Lector – J Chant

Special Minister – M Cocks

Sunday 5th November 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 \$ 993.55

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.

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday is a day set aside for the Catholic Church throughout the world to publicly renew its commitment to the missionary movement, coordinated by the Pontifical Mission Societies, who are also known as *Missio*. It is celebrated on the penultimate (next-to-last) Sunday of October every year, October 22, 2023. It was created by Pope Pius XI in 1926 as the day of prayer for missions. Closely related to Society for the Propagation of the Faith. *Appeal envelopes are available in the gathering space.*

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND A WELCOME TO COUNTRY

An **Acknowledgement of Country** is a way that all people can show awareness and respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and heritage and the ongoing relationship the Traditional Custodians have with their Country – that is, where the event, meeting, function or conference takes place.

It can be formal or informal. **Both First Australian and non-Indigenous people** can perform Acknowledgement of Country. It should occur at the beginning of an event.

Acknowledgement of Country is also commonly written at the beginning of public documents.

Protocols for welcoming visitors to Country have been a part of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture for thousands of years.

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A **Welcome to Country** is a ceremony where Traditional Custodian **Elders** welcome people to their land. Its form is dependent on the officiating Elder, the location and type of event, and the practice of the local Indigenous Community. It might be a short speech or a performance of some sort, like a song, traditional dance, a didgeridoo piece or any combination of these. An Elder from different Country may sometimes perform the Welcome ceremony with permission. Welcome to Country should always occur at the opening of an event. Reference:

<https://catholicoutlook.org/acknowledgement-of-country-and-welcome-to-country-ceremonies/#:~:text=It%20is%20a%20demonstration%20of,can%20be%20formal%20or%20informal.>

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The annual memorial service to remember loved ones will be held on Thursday 9th November at 7.00pm.

MEN'S CHOIR

The men's choir has restarted on the 1st Sunday of the month. Please come at 8am to practice.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR PEACE

A prayer service for peace in Israel and Palestine will be held on Monday 23rd Oct at 7.00pm in the Church.

RCIA INQUIRY NIGHTS

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or know someone who is? Please come along to our Inquiry nights on Monday nights at 5pm in the Parish meeting room at the Presbytery. For further information please contact Annette Ryan 0408 502 858 or Mary Zobec 0427 190 282.

GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL FRIENDS MASS

Will be held on Thursday 26th October at 9.15 in the Brigidine Centre. All welcome.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE

A statement from Bishop Charles Gauci Chair, Bishops Commission for Relations with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

After an intense and, at times, challenging debate over the proposed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice, we woke this morning to the news that there will not be a change to the constitution. A majority of Australians did not see the Voice as the way to address those disparities. But that doesn't mean we shouldn't do something. It doesn't mean we accept the status quo.

Since the 1840s, Catholic leaders have spoken up about the inhumane way Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples were treated, with our first bishop commenting with horror that they were given similar consideration as livestock.

While our Church's history is not without blemish, the Church has been a driver of positive change. We have done that through education, through health and aged care, in social welfare and in the life of our parishes – where First Nations Catholics are growing in number. Our challenge is to do more.

As the people of Australia receive the news of the referendum, may we recognise and take up the challenge to create opportunities but also seek outcomes that will see inequalities in our country narrowed, a path to reconciliation pursued and a more prosperous nation emerge. October 15, 2023 *Copies of the full statement is available in the gathering space.*

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 2nd November at 10am followed by a cuppa.

“To have a right to do a thing is not at all the same as to be right in doing it.”

G.K. Chesterton

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