



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 23 June 2024



Readings for this week:

Job 38:1,8-11
2 Corinthians 5:14-17
Mark 4:35-41



Readings for next Sunday:

Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24
2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15
Mark 5:21-43



Liturgical Jottings

Creation and Liturgy 2

We acknowledge creation in the prayers over the gifts, as they are presented on the altar: “Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread, ... the wine.” Through God’s creation we have not only food to sustain us in body but also in our spiritual growth. Indeed the body, soul and spirit are interconnected in one being.

The Collect in the Mass for giving thanks to God for the gift of human life reads: “O God, who adorn creation with splendour and beauty and fashion human lives in your image and likeness, awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of human life.” All creation is blessed and has the touch of God. Human life, also within God’s creation has a special role to reverence and nurture God’s creatures.

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Focus on the Readings

The cedar tree (Ezekiel’s allegory/parable on the kingdom of David) parallels with the mustard tree (Jesus’ parable on the Kingdom of God). The cedar tree is a mighty noble tree and stands for the restoration of the Judaic monarchy after the Exile. Its timbers are used for the reconstruction of the Temple. Ezekiel’s prophecy finds its fulfilment in the Kingdom of Christ.

The mustard tree in Christ’s time and place was a scrawny bush, the complete opposite to the cedar. Listeners would have wondered where Jesus is taking them in this parable. He begins with the allusion to the cedar: it provides a home and shelter for the birds. Following with the allegory, the mustard tree in what the kingdom of God is like. The big differences are notable: small beginnings, humble existence yet for all a home and shelter, a visible presence of the new kingdom on earth: the church as the people of God and the body of Christ. In the light of the first parable in today’s Gospel, the growth on the kingdom of God requires God’s wisdom and might and the participation of humankind to do the planting. From small beginnings comes the final consummation.

2024 Declaration on Human Dignity 3

There is widespread agreement today on the importance and normative scope of human dignity and on the unique value of every human being. However, the phrase “the dignity of the human person” risks lending itself to a variety of interpretations that can yield potential ambiguities that lead us to wonder whether the equal dignity of all human beings [...] is truly recognised, respected, protected and promoted in every situation.” This brings us to recognise a fourfold distinction: ontological (or innate) dignity, moral dignity, social dignity, and existential dignity. The most important among these is the ontological dignity that belongs to the person as such simply because he or she exists and is willed, created, and loved by God. This dignity is indelible and remains valid beyond any circumstances in which the person may find themselves. *DI 7.*

Quote of the Week

Little things are indeed little, but to be faithful in little things is a great thing. *St Teresa of Calcutta*

On the Lighter Side

Photography is a way of feeling, of touching, of loving. What you have caught on film is captured forever... it remembers little things, long after you have forgotten everything. However, if you use digital cameras they last only until the new operating system or new image formats.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Olive McElroy, Daniel Lingard, Frances Corso, Paul Genio, Tony Barca, John Moran, Jodie Potts, Philip Bowman, Kady Mitchell-Treacy.

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Domenico (Nick) Spina, Carmela DiPetta.

ROSTERS

Sunday 30 June 8.30am

Commentator – A Snell

Lector – V Fox

Special Minister – A Ryan

Sunday 7 July 8.30am

Commentator – E Luvara

Lector – J Chant

Special Minister – M DiPetta

Saturday 13 July at 6pm

Commentator – L Ratcliffe

Lector – S Carroll

Special Minister – L Sorbello

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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

Last week's Collection is \$ 802.50

PARISH DETAILS

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Uday Kumar Marneni ALCP/OSS

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

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MASS TIMES

KYABRAM

Week Day (Tuesday 5pm & Thursday 9.15am)

Saturday-2nd and 4th Saturday: 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

ANOINTING MASS - held on the first Thursday of the month at 10am in St Augustine's Church.

BAPTISM'S THIS WEEKEND

This weekend we have two baptisms, we welcome Lydia Morris into our faith community. Please keep Dylan Morris and Gabbrielle Mahoney her parents and godparents in your prayers, as they continue on their faith journey.

We also welcome Elijah Gordon into our faith community. Please keep Taj Gordon and Vanessa Harbrow his parents and godparents in your prayers, as they continue on their faith journey.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Phil and Amy Nicholson are celebrating their 50th Wedding anniversary on the 22nd June. Congratulations to you both and happy anniversary.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Our Sacramental children will be celebrating their 1st Reconciliation on Thursday 27th June. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they continue with their sacramental preparation journey.

TRIVIA AND GAMES NIGHT- FRIDAY 2 AUGUST

St Augustine's are holding a Trivia and games night to bring the community together on Friday 2 August. This social night will be held at the Kyabram Bocce Club, 118 Fischer street, Kyabram. Doors open 6.30pm for 7pm start. \$20 per person, tables of 10. Tickets available: Mary 0481 177 767 or Alana 0427 658 563.

PETERS PENCE COLLECTION

Next weekend will be a collection for Peter's Pence, which supports the Pope's service of the universal Church

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART CELEBRATION LUNCH

Fr Uday would like to invite Kyabram Parishioners to have a shared parish lunch in St Mary's Hall Tatura following 10.30am Mass on Sunday 30 June as a belated celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart.

Parishioners are invited to bring food to share. This is a great opportunity for parishioners to get together and share a meal – all welcome.

MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sun 23rd June - 8.30am

Tue 25th June – 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass

Thu 27th June – No Mass

Thu 27th June 6.30pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation for Children

Weekly Masses

Sun 30th June - 8.30am

Tue 2nd July - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass

Thu 4th July - 10am Anointing Mass

Weekly Masses

Sun 7th July - 8.30am

Sun 7th July - 11.30am - Tongala

Tue 9th July - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass

TUESDAY EVENING MASS

Please note that during the cold winter months, Rosary will be recited 4pm and Mass 4.15pm in the presbytery

SOCIAL GATHERING

Parish Gathering (Happy Hour) will return in September, as lots of people are away. Hope to see you then.

LADIES CUPPA AND CHAT

Ladies you are invited to Cuppa and Chat at Fauna Park Café on Wednesday 10th July at 2pm. If you need a ride, please contact Mary Elliott on 0427 822754.

ANOINTING MASS

The next anointing mass will be held on Thursday 4th July at 10am, followed by a cuppa.

MEN'S CHOIR

The men's choir is on the 1st Sunday of the month. Please come at 8am, Sunday 7 July to practice.

THE LAND OF WONDERS TOUR

Join Fr Jophin Joy from Nathalia/Numurkah parish on a tour of India on 6 November for 14 days. Only 10 places left. Details are in the gathering space and on the notice board or call 0434 579 931.

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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.

"Do not lay too much store on the favorable judgments of men, for I love thee with a perfect love. I spent My earthly existence in humiliations and scorn and in a hidden life. It was thus that I glorified My Father, laid the foundations of My Church, and remedied the evils of pride. This is the path that thou must follow." *Our Lord to Blessed Maria Celeste Crostarosa*