



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Parish Priest – Fr John Paul Pasala

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 October 2023



Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 5:1-7
Philippians 4:6-9
Matthew 21:33-43



Readings for
next Sunday:

Isaiah 25:6-10
Philippians 4:12-14,19-20
Matthew 22:1-14



Liturgical Jottings

Eucharistic Prayer part 5 Oblation

“The oblation is the offering by which, the Church gathered here and now, offers the unblemished sacrificial Victim in the Holy Spirit to the Father. The Church’s intention, indeed, is that the faithful not only offer this unblemished sacrificial Victim but also learn to offer their very selves, and so day by day to be brought, through the mediation of Christ, into unity with God and with each other, so that God may at last be all in all. GIRM 79f

Oblation was once a name for the Eucharist yet while focussing of the offering of the material elements of the bread and wine the name also included offering of ourselves, offering of praise to God, offering our prayers. “Offering” and “offer” is mentioned seven times during the First Eucharistic Prayer, and less in the others.

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Looking at the Readings

Two parables about vineyards in the readings today both end in disaster. From the prophet Isaiah, the property is fitted out, the vineyard is properly planted and tended but produces sour and bad grapes and then destroyed. Jesus’ parable tells of a similar building, planting and tending, but this time the harvest is good but the owner is robbed of its produce and his son is killed by the workers he trusted. Australian wine makers reflect another twist to this fragile industry when their great produce faces uncertain markets.

In the first parable, the vineyard is the image of God’s people, or as expressed in the Responsorial Psalm: “The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.” In the second parable the owner’s son is an image of Jesus, the workers who rejected the son are the ones Jesus addressed the parable to: “the chief priests and the elders of the people.”

Today, “the Church receives the parable as an admonition addressed to itself. It cannot fail to do so because Matthew has too consistently insisted on the necessity of bearing fruit. The Church will be faithful to its mission and election only if it welcomes the prophets whom God does not cease to send it, only if it practices the gospel of his Son, only if it remains faithful through everything. The vineyard song still resounds in today’s Church: Master of the vineyard, do not reject the work of your hands.” (Year of the Lord Vol.4 p.213)

Feast of the Week Saint John Henry Newman 9 Oct

As an Anglican clergyman for over 20 years he won renown as a preacher, theologian and one of the leaders of the Oxford Movement. On 9 October 1845 he was received into the Catholic Church and ordained priest on 30 May 1847. He was an influential writer on many subjects: the development of Christian doctrine, the true understanding of conscience, faith and reason, the role of the laity, and university education and author of several hymns. He died in 1890 and canonised in 2019.

Prayer for the Week

Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom, lead thou me on;
the night is dark, and I am far from home; lead thou me on.

Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see the distant scene;
one step enough for me. *St John Henry Newman*

On the Lighter Side

Oenology: the study of wines

Ontology: the study of being and properties of nature

Oology: the study of bird's eggs

Otology: the study of the ear and its diseases



PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

Recently Deceased: Aileen Barrett, Alan Watson, Genoveffa De Cicco, Assunta Riccio, Marina Alford

Anniversaries: Rebecca Baric

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



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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 (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 8th October - 8.30am

Tue 10th October - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Liturgy

Thu 12th October - 9.15am – Year 1/2 & Year 8

Weekly Masses

Sat 14th October - 5.30pm Reconciliation

- 6pm Mass - cuppa after Mass

Sun 15th October - 8.30am

Sun 15th October - 12.00pm - Merrigum

Tue 17th October - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 19th October - 9.15am - Year 7 & Year 11

Weekly Masses

Sun 22nd October - 8.30am - cuppa after Mass

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

ROSTERS

Saturday 14th October at 6pm

Commentator – J Harris

Lector – S Carroll

Special Minister – L Busch

Sunday 15th October at 8.30am

Commentator – M Carver

Lector – N Watt

Special Minister – N Livsey

Sunday 22nd October at 8.30am

Commentator – A Snell

Lector – V Fox

Special Minister – J Chant

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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

Last week's Collection is \$ 831.90

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.

BISHOP ABSENCE FROM THE DIOCESE

Following the Synod Assembly, I will also be attending meetings of the Methodist-Catholic International Commission and the Australian Bishops Conference (see below for details). I would be grateful for your prayerful support during these various undertakings.

In all, I will be absent from the Diocese until Tuesday 14 November. During this time, Fr Joe Taylor will administer the Diocese as Vicar General. He can be contacted by phoning the Chancery or via this email address, which Tim Nolan will manage as usual.

Wednesday 4 October – Sunday 28 October: Synod for a Synodal Church, Rome

Monday 30 October – Friday 3 November: Methodist–Roman Catholic International Commission, Jerusalem

Monday 6 November: Permanent Committee, Australian Bishops Conference, Sydney

Tuesday 7 November – Thursday 9 November: Australian Bishops Conference, Sydney

Friday 10 November: Interim Synodal Roundtable, Sydney

Yours sincerely,

+Shane Mackinlay

PPC

A reminder to members that the next PPC meeting is on Tuesday at 6pm in the Parish meeting room.

PRIESTS RETIREMENT FOUNDATION

There are envelopes available at each door for the annual Priest Retirement Foundation appeal collection. Please consider supporting our retired priests in the diocese, donation envelopes can be left in the collection plate.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 22 OCTOBER

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.

COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

We have some 2024 Columban Mission art calendars available for sale for \$10 each, available from gathering place.

BEREAVEMENT THANKS

Mary Bowman and family offer sincere thanks to Father John Paul and all parishioners who attended Mass, prayers, Visits, phone calls, food, in the recent death of John Bowman. Please accept this as my personal gratitude and may god bless you all. Mary Bowman

RCIA INQUIRY NIGHTS

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or know someone who is. Please come along to our Inquiry nights commencing on Wednesday 11th October at 7pm in the Parish meeting room at the Presbytery. For further information please contact Annette Ryan 0408 502 858 or Mary Zobec 0427 190 282.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Our Lady of Good Counsel prayer group next meeting will be Sunday 8th October at 5pm in the church. Please join in for Adoration, prayer and reflection on the word. Inquiries Mary 0427190282.

CLERGY APPOINTMENTS

On the recommendation of the College of Consultors, I am very pleased to announce the following clergy appointments:

Tatura and Kyabram

Parish Priest: Fr Uday Marneni ALCP/OSS, from 13 January 2024

Wodonga, Tallangatta and Corryong

Fr Andrew Fewings will lead the establishment of a Ministry Team in these parishes towards mid-2024, after undertaking a sabbatical in the first months of the year.

Team Moderator, and Pastoral Leader of Wodonga: Fr Andrew Fewings

Pastoral Leader of Tallangatta and Corryong: Fr John Paul Pasala, from 13 January 2024

Team member: Fr Adi Indra

I am grateful to all those who have generously offered themselves for these appointments, and ask that you hold them in prayer, along with these various communities, as they prepare for these significant transitions.

Yours sincerely,

+Shane Mackinlay

MARIAN FESTIVAL

Please join us on October 15th at the Annual Marian Festival at Sacred Heart Cathedral to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary and entrust our diocese, our nation and the world to the protection of her Immaculate Heart. The Festival will be led by Bishop Leslie Tomlinson, beginning with Mass at 11am and continuing with devotions throughout the afternoon. Information: www.bendigofatima.com or call Wilma on 5439 6283.

“Genuine love is demanding, but its beauty lies precisely in the demands it makes.”
Tuesday at 6pm in the Parish meeting room.

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Would you be interested in advertising your business in our Parish bulletin and on our website?

The costs are: **Advert (5x6cm)**

3 months (12 weeks) \$16.67 per week \$200

6 months (25 weeks) \$12.00 per week \$300

12 months (50 weeks) \$10.00 per week \$500

If you would like further details, please talk to Fr John, a member of the Finance Committee or Vicki in the office.

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?

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