



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 October 2023



Readings for
this week:

Ezekiel 18:25-28
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 21:28-32



Readings for
next Sunday:

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



Liturgical Jottings

Eucharistic Prayer part 4 Anamnesis

The anamnesis, by which the Church, fulfilling the command that she received from Christ the Lord through the apostles, celebrates the memorial of Christ, recalling especially his blessed passion, glorious resurrection and ascension into heaven. GIRM 79e

The Greek term “anamnesis” is the title to this part, though memorial prayer is regularly applied but does not carry the same dynamism of active memory and action. The prayer recapitulates what Jesus has accomplished for us and that we do this in remembrance of him. The Anamnesis in the third Eucharistic Prayer adds the second coming:

“Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.”

Looking at the Readings

In every life there is a struggle between obedience and disobedience, and this struggle takes various twists and turns. At times we are willing to conform to regulations set from the outside, and at times we are not. We are invited to choose in favour of the reign of God, or we are free to ignore the invitation. Those who are fundamentally righteous sometimes fall from grace, and people considered evil to the core sometimes reform their lives. What ultimately counts are not the promises made, but the actions taken.

We are called to discipleship, and there may well be urgency in this call, but it is an invitation that is to be accepted freely. As is the case with life itself, options are placed before us all the way along the road. We are invited to choose in favour of the reign of God, or we are free to ignore the invitation. However, the invitation always remains open to us because God’s desire for our acceptance is persistent and enduring.

The real choice set before us today is the imitation of Christ. The specific characteristic of Christ today is his humility. Since demanding one’s rights can undermine the loving quality of community, Jesus’ humility is offered for our imitation. It is very clear that whichever aspect of discipleship we examine, some aspect of community is also present. To be a disciple of Jesus is to follow him humbly as a member of a believing community. © *Dianne Bergant CSA*.

Prayer for the Week

O God, you alone judge rightly and search the depths of the heart. Make us swift to do your will and slow to judge our neighbour, that we may walk with those who follow the way of repentance and faith and so enter your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

Pope Francis on the Season of Creation 2023

Creation refers both to God’s mysterious, magnificent *act* of creating this majestic, beautiful planet and universe out of nothing and to the continuing result of that act, which we experience as an inexhaustible *gift*. During the liturgy and personal prayer in “the great cathedral of creation”, let us recall the great Artist who creates such beauty, and reflect on the mystery of that loving decision to create the cosmos.

On the Lighter Side

A boy overheard his parents saying they want another child. "I'd love a brother or a sister!" he chirped in. "That's not what we meant." they replied.



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PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Kate Delahenty

(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 1st October - 8.30am – Multicultural Mass

Sun 1st October - 11.30am – Tongala

Tue 3rd October - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 5th October - 10am Anointing Mass

Weekly Masses

Sun 8th October - 8.30am

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

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

ROSTERS

Sunday 8th October at 8.30am

Commentator – T Hehir

Lector – V Fox

Special Minister – P Hehir

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

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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

Last week's Collection is \$ 1000.10

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

As you are aware, I have been appointed as a member of the Synod for a Synodal Church, which commences its first general assembly in Rome this coming week. 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.

- Sunday 1 October – Tuesday 3 October: Pre-Synod Retreat, Rome
- 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

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

This week we see the return of students to school. We hope they have had a wonderful break, and pray for students and their learning.

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.

WAITING AT THE WELL

Thu, 5, 12, 19 & 26 Oct, 10am–12.30pm (in-person event) Carole Carmody rsm, Julie Adam This series offers an opportunity for those waiting to have their thirst quenched at the Well of Life to explore the depths of wisdom in their own heart, to recognise wisdom in the encounter with another, and to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Bookings via: [https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/waiting-at-the-well-series/?Oremail=info@heartoflife.melbourne](https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/waiting-at-the-well-series/?Oreemail=info@heartoflife.melbourne) Cost \$100 for the series or \$30 per session.

CLERGY APPOINTMENTS

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

Shepparton South and Nagambie (previously announced)

Parish Priest: Fr Rene Ramirez RCJ, from 4 November 2023

Assistant Priest: Fr Ruel Desamparado RCJ

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

From 27 December 2023, until Fr Andrew's return from sabbatical, Fr Adi Indra will be Administrator of the parishes

Yarrawonga and Cobram

Parish Priest: Fr Junjun Amaya, from 27 December 2023

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

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 5 October at 10am followed by a cuppa.

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.

For more information go to www.bendigofatima.com or call Wilma on 5439 6283.

“I have found the paradox, that if you love until it hurts, there can be no more hurt, only more love.”
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

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

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