

# **KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH**

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

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### **Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

18 June 2023



Readings for this week:

Exodus 19:2-6 Romans 5:6-11 Matthew 9:36-10:8



Readings for next Sunday:

Jeremiah 20:10-13 Romans 5:12-15 Matthew 10:26-33



# **Liturgical Jottings**

## Hell in the Apostles' Creed

This creed is one of the most ancient statements of beliefs. Not written by the apostles it, however, contains their teachings. Prior to 2010 English Missal the sentence "Jesus descended to hell was rendered: "He descended to the dead" as in the 1969 Missal. Yet earlier in prayer books the newer version was used. In the baptismal promised based on the Apostles' creed we simply hear: "He rose again from the dead." These passages from the Catechism may assist us:

"Scripture calls the abode of the dead, to which the dead Christ went down, "hell"- Sheol in Hebrew or Hades in Greek, because those who are there are deprived of the vision of God. Jesus did not descend into hell to deliver the damned, nor to destroy the hell of damnation, but to free the just who had gone before him."

Para 634: "The gospel was preached even to the dead." The descent into hell brings the Gospel message of salvation to complete fulfilment ... .

(Also see para 631-2, 635-7)

From The English Translation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church © 1994 St Pauls /Libreria Editrice Vaticana

## **Looking at the Readings**

The major themes today are call and discipleship. Most of us are rather insignificant in the eyes of the broader society. And even those who are well known or in some way famous are still just simple human beings with needs and fears and dreams like the rest of us. Yet we have been called by God. This is what makes us special. Paul picks up this theme in his development of justification. He argues that we are special because when we were still sinners we were justified. All this has come to us as a pure gift from God. It is God who calls; it is God who chooses; it is God who justifies. If we are to boast, we must boast in God.

Paul further teaches that good works do not gain faith. It is the other way around. It is faith that manifests itself in works. In the gospel we see that the disciples are sent out to give to others the gift of faith which had been given to them. They proclaim the gospel, the good news that the time of fulfilment has come, and then they perform mighty works that demonstrate what they preach. We too have been called to discipleship; we have been made God's special people. To us has been entrusted the good news of salvation to proclaim to others. We must be the healing touch of Christ in our world. We must comfort those who mourn, bring back to life those who are in despair, embrace those who have been ostracised by society, drive out anger and fear and hatred. © *Dianne Bergant CSA*.

# Ancient Homily for Holy Saturday

This text is quoted in the Catechism to assist our understanding of the Creed.

Attributed to St Epiphanius (403) PG 43, 440A, 452C

God has died in the flesh and Hell trembles with fear. He has gone to search for our first parent, as for a lost sheep. Greatly desiring to visit those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death, He has gone to free from sorrow the captives Adam and Eve, He who is both God and the Son of Eve. The Lord approached them bearing the Cross, the weapon that had won Him the victory. At the sight of Him Adam, the first man He had created, struck his breast in terror and cried out to everyone, "My Lord be with you all." Christ answered him, "And with your spirit." He took him by the hand and raised him up, saying, "Awake, O sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.

# On the Lighter Side

A bloke walks into a bar and asks for fruit punch. The barman says "Sure. Just get in line." The guy looks over and gets confused because there's no punchline.



A tennis ball walks into a bar.

The barman says, "Have you been served?"

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### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Fr Steve Bowhan, Margaret Quirk, Cheryl Pearce (Baker), Anne Dodd, Sam Peyton,

Philip Bowman, Shane McDonell, Kadyn Mitchell-Treacy, Samantha Kurilic, Trevor Peterson.

Recently Deceased: Connie Caltabiano

Anniversaries: Nicola Spina, Carmela De Petta

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



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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 are held on the first Thursday of the month at 10am in St Augustine's Church. FORTNIGHT MASS TIME TABLE

**Weekly Masses** 

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> June - 8.30am – cuppa after Mass

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> June – 12.00pm - Merrigum

Tue 20<sup>th</sup> June - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Liturgy

Thu 22<sup>nd</sup> June - 9.15am – Year1/2 & Year 8 - Liturgy

**Weekend Masses** 

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> June - 6pm

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> June - 8.30am

Tue 27<sup>th</sup> June - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 29<sup>th</sup> June – 9.15am

Weekly Masses

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> July - 8.30am

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> July - 11.30am – Tongala

Tue 4<sup>th</sup> July - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Mass

Thu 6<sup>th</sup> July - 9.15am – Foundation, Year 10 & 12

Thu 6<sup>th</sup> July - 10am – Anointing Mass

Sat 8<sup>th</sup> July – 6pm

**ROSTERS** 

Saturday 24th June at 6pm

 $Commentator-L\ Ratcliffe$ 

Lector – J Harris

Special Minister – L Sorbello

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 8.30am

Commentator – N Watt

Lector – M Carver

Special Minister – A Brunt

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 8.30am

Commentator – V Fox

Lector – T Hehir

Special Minister – J Stockdale

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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

Last week's Collection is \$899.45

### 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.

### PTSD AWARENESS DAY -- JUNE 27

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder is the most common mental health disorder after depression. Anyone can be affected by trauma, either physically or emotionally. The problems that arise after trauma can be complex and impair our wellbeing. People need help moving beyond those harrowing events. Help and support take many forms, but recovery and renewal are always possible. When people recognise the signs of PTSD, they are ready to take that first step towards better mental health.

# IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP

Bookings are now open for pilgrims to participate in the popular Australian National Pilgrimage: *In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop* run by Mary MacKillop Place and The Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart. The next pilgrimage will be running from 17 - 28 October 2023 and will visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry in Victoria, South Australia and NSW.

The Pilgrimage is led by Sr Anne Bond rsj, a Sister from the Sisters of Saint Joseph, and Mr Garry McLean, the inaugural Director of the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, East Melbourne.

The Australian National Pilgrimage will begin in East Melbourne on 17 October and conclude at Mary MacKillop Place in North Sydney on 28 October. Along the way pilgrims will visit historic sites and towns including Portland, Penola, Robe and the Mary MacKillop Chapel in North Sydney.

Get in early! The current prices are fixed until 30 June 2023. After this date prices may need to be negotiated dependent on oil and fuel costs.

**Website:**https://www.marymackillopplace.org.au/retreats-sprituality/australian-national-pilgrimage

Email: national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au

**Phone:** (02) 8912 4818

## INVITATON TO MAKE ROSARY BEADS IN MEMORY OF SISTER PHILOMENA CARMELITE NUN.

Workshops to make your own rosary beads will be held over two evenings in Monsignor Peter Jeffery Centre on Thursday 22 June and Thursday 29 June 2023 at 7.00 PM.

All necessary materials will be supplied. Tools provided. No experience necessary. Bring the desk lamp and a reading glasses if you need one. Enjoy the challenge and spend some friendly time with your fellow parishioners with the same interest.

All donations are going towards International Youth Day 2023. Anyone interested in joining this group, contact Bozena 0426 867 647. RSVP by 20th June.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Last Thursday our Sacramental children received their 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation. We keep them and their families in our prayers as they continue their faith journey.

### **BAPTISM**

On Sunday 11 June, Levi Salter was baptised at St Augustine's church Kyabram. Please say a prayer for Levi and his family.

### **MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 7.30pm at the Uniting Church – Kyabram. \* Guest speaker – Marcel Enuica\* of Voice of the Martyrs (Victoria). Come and hear the latest about the Persecuted Church. All welcome!

## COMMEMORATE REFUGEE WEEK 18 – 24 JUNE 2023

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv invites you to join the online prayer service to commemorate Refugee Week 18 – 24 June 2023. The theme of Refugee Week 2023 is Finding Freedom. The online prayer service will be a live-stream event at 7PM *AEST on Tuesday, 20 June 2023.* To watch the full video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CuaRqJjYDoQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CuaRqJjYDoQ</a> Register here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMof-CpqjwuGdfRunDx\_8r-xaibfgFddptN#/registration.

# DO YOU KNOW WHAT SACRAMENTALS ARE?

Sacramentals are powerful & blessed objects that can be a means to express your faith in God and are instruments of grace that God uses to draw us closer to Him and to work through our lives to protect and sanctify us. Sacramentals come in different forms like rosaries, medals, pictures, statues of saints, scapulars, crucifixes, incense, salt, water, oil etc. When a Sacramental is blessed, they have the power to bring down God's graces upon the user, they protect us and have power to bring a soul to conversion and lead them to the sacraments. Sacramentals can bring spiritual healing to a soul, give you grace to fight temptations and deliver you from many dangers. (www.scapulars-au.com)

### SAVE CALVARY HOSPITAL

The ACT Government intends to forcibly acquire Calvary Catholic Hospital, Canberra. Catholic hospitals have faithfully served the Australian community for 170 years. The actions by the ACT government are an abuse of property rights and religious freedom. For more information and to sign a petition in support of Calvary, visit <a href="https://www.savecalvary.com.au">www.savecalvary.com.au</a>

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