St. Augustine's Parish, Maryborough

~inc. St. Kevin's, Barnett St. Avoca, St. Mary's, Hardy St. Dunolly,

St. Patrick's, Pyrenees H'way & Evans St. Amphitheatre,

St. Patrick's, Main St. Bealiba, St. Patrick's, Barkly-Redbank Rd. Redbank,

St. Augustine's, Burke St, Maryborough~

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25th October 2020 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS RESTRICTIONS: We hope to have a clearer understanding of how and when we can return to regular Mass times after Premier Daniel Andrews makes his next announcement today (Sunday 25th October). On the basis of twenty people allowed for outside worship, we plan to recommence Sunday Mass at Avoca and Dunolly from next weekend. These Masses will be outside,

FOR REGULAR AVOCA/DUNOLLY ATTENDERS ONLY

(our numbers are limited to twenty and if over this number we will be unable to proceed with Mass) and **EACH PERSON WILL NEED TO BYO CHAIR**. With these conditions and other COVID-19 precautions in place, we will do things safely and begin a graduated return to what we hope will very soon be Sunday and weekday Masses throughout our parish.

ST KEVIN'S, AVOCA – 8.30am Mass 1st and 3rd Sundays each month. FOR REGULAR ST KEVIN'S ATTENDERS ONLY (max 20 people limit) Mass will be outside and each person will need to byo chair.

ST MARY'S, DUNOLLY – 8.30am Mass 2nd and 4th Sundays each month. FOR REGULAR ST MARY'S ATTENDERS ONLY (max 20 people limit) Mass will be outside and each person will need to byo chair.

MARYBOROUGH PRIESTS AND PASTORAL ASSOCIATES PHOTOS:

Margaret Flowers and Tony Plucke are collecting photos of all priests and pastoral associates who have worked in our Parish to display these as part of our Parish history. They are happy to copy and return photos. These can be given to Margaret or Tony or Fr John or Jill or dropped into our Parish Office Wed. or Friday mornings or emailed to our Parish.

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<u>Today's Readings</u>: Exodus 22:20-26, Psalm 17, 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10, Matthew 22:34-40 (You shall love the Lord your God, and your neighbour as yourself)

The Bottom Line

Moses drew the bottom line for the people of God when he presented the stone tablets to them at the base of Sinai: *Here are ten things you must, and must not, do.* Love God, honour your parents, don't lie, steal, kill.

Most of us know the Commandments well enough to know when we break them without peeking back at the Exodus story.

To ask – which commandment of God is the greatest? – is a bit like asking for a hierarchy of evil for future reference. As Robert Orbin says, most of us would like to be delivered from evil – but would like to keep in touch. The great commandment of Jesus doesn't give us that option. Loving God with heart, soul and mind is a pretty exclusive commitment. When it comes to life commitments, even a little infidelity is too much.

How does our commitment to God measure up against the Ten Commandments? How does it measure against the love command of Jesus?

May we express our love for God this week in prayer, praise and thanksgiving. Express our love for our neighbour, near and far, in concrete and significant ways: "These two commandments are pegs; everything in God's Law and the Prophets hangs on them".

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for who died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time including: David Wood, Sheilena Mowbray, William Rahill, Margaretha Weber, James Rinaldi, Bonnie Walsh, Stuart Sutton, Joan Bench, Michael John Jones, Ivan Tardrew, Bill Lindsay, Cecil Wright, Bonnie Higgins, Wendy Mason, Brian Lindsay, Noel Hawke, Bernadine Kozlowski, Anthony Jolly, Matilda Toynton, Mary and Les Harrison and Jan Thompson.