

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. Augustine's, Burke St, Maryborough~



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11th December 2022 Third Sunday of Advent.

Collections "Thank You" First Collection - \$725 For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses.

Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving - \$1045 For Parish expenses and Church maintenance.

- ST. KEVIN'S, AVOCA 8.30am Mass 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.
 - 8.30am Assembly at Avoca on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays of each month.
- ST. MARY'S, DUNOLLY 8.30am Mass 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.
 - 8.30am Assembly at Dunolly on 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month.
- ST. PATRICK'S, BEALIBA 8.30am Mass on the 5th Sunday of each month.
- ST. AUGUSTINE'S, MARYBOROUGH 6.00pm Saturday and 10.30am Sunday

Tuesday 13th Dec - 10.00am Mass Wednesday 14th Dec - 10.00am Mass Thursday 15th Dec - 10.00am Mass

Friday 16th Dec - 11.00am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

- 12.00 Midday Mass

Readers Psalm/Prayer **Gifts** Dec. 10 J. Leneaux-Gale M. Lacey B. Teggerth Dec. 11 M. Flowers C. Egan **Hadwen Family** Dec. 17 B. Crameri J. Leneaux- Gale **Lacey Family** P. Egan Family Dec. 18 C. Hadwen K. Lloyd

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Available after daily Mass between now and Christmas or see Frs John or Pat at any other time.

CHRISTMAS EVE CAROLS AND MASS:

Maryborough: 5.30pm Carols and 6.00pm Mass

Avoca: 7.30pm Carols and 8.00pm Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES:

8.30am Dunolly and 10.30am Maryborough

WELCOME AMY ZOU AND THOMAS ANKETELL: The third Sunday of Advent is sub-titled "Gaudete" (rejoicing) Sunday. The first reading urges us to already "rejoice and sing for joy" in anticipation of all that God has in store for us. There's extra special reason for us to rejoice today at 10.30am Mass when Amy Zou will be Baptised and Thomas Anketell received into the Catholic Church then together be Confirmed and receive Jesus in the Eucharist. We congratulate Amy and Thomas as we pray for God's blessing upon them and welcome them into our faith community.

UNITING CHURCH HYMN FEST 2.00PM – 3.30PM TODAY:

At St Andrew's Church (cnr Neill & Palmerston Sts) featuring local musicians and singers followed by afternoon tea. All welcome. Admission by donation.

ST AUGUSTINE'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT: Please contact our parish or Chris Hadwen if you or your children would like to be part of a Christmas Pageant during our 6.00pm Christmas Eve Mass.

MAKING A SCENE AT CHRISTMAS: A display of over 500 Nativity scenes from more than 60 countries plus frankincense, myrrh, and coins from Jesus' time. Gold coin donation. Bridge Mall, Ballarat from 10–23 December.

ADVENT APPEAL FOR UKRAINE: Earlier this year, our parish generously donated to our appeal for the people of Ukraine. Bishop Paul and his fellow Australian bishops encourage us to support Bishop Mykola Bychok CSsR, Eparch of the Ukranian Catholic Church in Australia, in an Advent Appeal for Ukraine. All proceeds will go "Mudra Sprava" (Wise Action) Patriarchal Charitable Foundation in Ukraine that has three focus areas: Evacuation of people from frontline territories; Food packages for people in need; Shelters for displaced persons. Simply mark an envelope "Ukraine" and enclose our donation in this that can be put on any collection during Advent.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL VICTORIAN FLOOD APPEAL:

https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022 or call 131812 or donate at Vinnies Shops and IGA stores where purchasing a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by our recent floods.

CATHOLICCARE VICTORIA GIVING TREE APPEAL:

Donations to assist needy families can be made online at: https://www.catholiccarevic.org.au/campaign/donate/19/giving-tree-appeal

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for those who died this week and those whose anniversaries are at this time: Robert Mooney, Norman Lindsay, Gerald Halpin, David Singe, Greta Harnetty, Noel Fraid, Gail Davey, George Moschetti, Ellie Wicks, Sheila Field, Anthony Felton, Kevin Meagher, Beth Trunty, Frances Lowery, John Spencer, Peter Baird, Carol Troia, Ada Egan, John Carey and Mary Agnes Chapman.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL Third Sunday of Advent.

In this time of joyful expectation, let us bring our needs Priest:

before the God of hope and salvation.

Reader: That during Advent we may take heart and find renewed faith in the Lord so that we will be ready to meet the coming of our Saviour with joy and thanksgiving.

(pause) Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That the people of Ukraine and elsewhere who yearn for peace in their hearts, communities and nations will have their longing fulfilled.

(pause) **Lord, hear us:** All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That Amy Zou and Thomas Anketell whom we welcome into our midst this weekend will be renewed and refreshed in faith each day and guided in your paths by the Holy Spirit throughout their lives.

Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer. (pause)

Reader: That our children, families and teachers will be blessed with Christ's peace and joy throughout the school holidays.

Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer. (pause)

Reader: We pray for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time.

(pause) Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

We ask for Mary's intercession - "Hail Mary full of grace ... Priest:

Priest: O God, sustain us and give us hope as we hasten to meet our Saviour and look forward to seeing the precious harvest

of your kingdom when your saving work is complete.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.