

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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28th November 2021 First Sunday of Advent

Collections "Thank You". First Collection – \$870 For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses.

Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving - \$1268 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 30th November Wednesday 1st December - 10.00am Mass Thursday 2nd December Friday 3rd December

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- 11.00am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

- 12.00 Noon Mass

Readers Nov. 27 M. Lacey Nov. 28 K. Lloyd Dec. 4 J. Leneaux-Gale Dec. 5 T. Waterson

Psalm/Prayer D. Hamilton I. Lloyd M. Lacey P. Egan

Gifts Lacey Family **Schwager Family Walsh Family Knowles Family**

Please check in via QR code or signing in at all Masses. Vaccination certificates are required when numbers are over 50.

FIRST EUCHARIST MASSES THIS WEEK: Following Confirmation Masses earlier this month, we now have 18 children preparing for their First Communion. Due to number restrictions, First Eucharist Masses for them and their families are planned for this Thursday and Friday evenings. Please keep them and those assisting with their preparation in our prayers as they approach this very special next step on their Sacramental faith journey.

NEW DEACON FOR ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH: After ordination as a deacon there is a nine to twelve month parish placement before priestly ordination. Some of us may remember when back in 1980-81 we last had a deacon in our parish and some may even recall who that was. Bishop Paul has announced that Matt Restall will be appointed to our parish and Bill Lowry to Redan parish in Ballarat. They still have their final year of study to complete and will need to return to Corpus Christi College seminary, Carlton from time to time – thus why parishes not too distant from Melbourne have been chosen for their appointments. We're grateful that, after Fr Tuyen with us in 2015 and Fr Mark in 2019, we'll be again pleased and privileged to welcome another fine young man to our parish and look forward to supporting Matt throughout his final year of preparation for priestly ministry.

NEW DEACONS FOR OUR DIOCESE: On Friday evening 10th December, at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat, Bishop Paul Bird will ordain William Lowry and Matthew Restall as deacons for our Ballarat diocese. We pray for Bill and Matt as they prepare for this major step and for God's blessing upon all whom they will be ministering with in coming months.

ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL BUILDING GRANT: Our member for Mallee, Anne Webster, has announced a \$1.6 million Federal Government building grant for St Augustine's School. The 19th November Maryborough Advertiser has a photo of a very happy principal Sonia Turner receiving this wonderful news. Along with our local contribution, this will enable a building project of \$2 million to proceed for upgraded classrooms, library and admin facility that will greatly benefit all students. With classes almost finalised for 2022, late enrolment applications for next year will need to be made ASAP.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AND MEAL: Our next parish council meeting (and meal) will be 6.00pm Thursday 9th December at 68 Burke St.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS AND CHRISTMAS CARDS:

Now available after Sunday Mass from St Augustine's Piety Stall. Calendars for \$7.00 and Christmas Cards for \$8.00 per pack.

FR DENIS DENNEHY RIP: Copies of Fr Denis' bookmark are available from our Pastoral Ministry Office: pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time: Margaret Troia, Des Meagher, Ken Lowery, Tom Daly, Patrick Cudmore, John Rafferty, Anne Brown, Sara Melbourne, Rolph Amelia, Mad D'Atri, Emma Wenezil, William Corcoran and Clare Arrowsmith.

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Priest: Watching and waiting for the coming of our Saviour let us

bring our intentions before the Lord.

Reader: That with Pope Francis and Bishop Paul we will be strengthened in heart and holiness as we prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth into our world.

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

Reader: We pray for the children of our parish who will be welcomed to the Lord's Table to receive Jesus into their lives through First Communion this week.

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

Reader: We pray for Bill Lowry and Matt Restall as they prepare to be ordained Deacons for our diocese and that their ministry will be fruitful in proclaiming Christ's kingdom.

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

Reader: That those who live in poverty and pain, loneliness or isolation will experience the comforting message of God's Word promising us our liberation is near at hand.

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

Reader: For those who died recently and those whose anniversaries are named on our Bulletin.

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

Priest: For Mary's intercession we pray: "Hail Mary......

Priest: God of all time, as we begin this season of immense hope,

help us to recognise the signs of your kingdom in our midst and readily accept all that you promise us through Jesus

Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.