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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7th March 2021 Third Sunday of Lent Year B

Collections "Thank You". First Collection – \$574 *For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses.*Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving – \$1383 *For Parish expenses and Church maintenance*.

- ST. KEVIN'S, AVOCA 8.30am Mass 1st and 3rd Sundays 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 each month.
 - 8.30am Assembly at Dunolly on 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month
- ST. PATRICK'S, BEALIBA 8.30am Mass 5th Sunday (30th May 2021)
- ST. AUGUSTINE'S, MARYBOROUGH 6.00pm Saturday and 10.30am Sunday.

Tuesday 9th March - 10.00am Mass Wednesday 10th March - 10.00am Mass

Thursday 11th March - 10.00am Mass

Friday 12th March - 11.00am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

- 12.00 Noon Mass

ROSTERED READERS

6th March – D. Hamilton 6.00pm, 7th March – S. Meerbach 10.30am 13th March – M. Lacey 6.00pm, 14th March – B. O'Connor 10.30am

ST MARY'S DUNOLLY 150th CELEBRATIONS 28th NOVEMBER:

150th Anniversary Mass with Bishop Paul Bird on Sunday morning 28th November.

SPORTING CONGRATULATIONS ONE: We congratulate Bernie Lanfranchi and Terry Long's Dunolly Blue team making it four premierships in a row in the Goldfields Bowls Division One 2020/21 season competition last weekends.

SPORTING CONGRATULATIONS TWO: Congratulations to Mick and Di Rinaldi's "Lunar Fox" winning the Australian Guineas at Flemington last weekend. At 301 to 1 it enters the record books as the longest-priced Group One winner in Australian racing history. Perhaps it was the full moon that day that gave it an extra advantage in guiding it home in first place!

LENT DISCUSSION GROUPS: This year the topics are available as digital downloads rather than in booklet. Contact Jill Morse or Fr John for details.

PROJECT COMPASSION PRAYER: God of all peoples and nations, as you accompany us on our Lenten journey, may our fasting strengthen our commitment to live in solidarity, our almsgiving be an act of justice, and our prayers anchor us in love and compassion. Through living simply and loving generously, may we care for our global family and our common home as we "Aspire not to have more but to be more" (Saint Oscar Romero). We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS MAGAZINE: Please take home a copy of the Autumn 2021 edition focusing on Social Justice and as always containing interesting and thought provoking articles on many different topics relevant for our Church and Nation.

2021 YEAR OF ST JOSEPH AUSSIE CAMINO: In this year of St Joseph, we are invited on a pilgrimage walk from Portland to Penola inspired by the life and journeys of Australia's first saint, Mary MacKillop, and her mentor, Fr Julian Tenison Woods. Ten days of 20 – 25 km per day walking through beautiful scenery of southwest VIC and south-east SA. Departing Ballarat Friday 30th April and returning Sunday 9th May with a maximum of 12 people. Already a couple of people from our parish have booked to be part of this. For further info, speak with Fr John or register your interest ASAP with Leonie Spencer of Lifestyle Travel, Ballarat: leonie@lifestyletravel.com.au

THROUGHOUT LENT: We're asked to do penance – to interrupt the usual comforts of life, to rediscover in prayer the saving love of God, and to practice charity and justice towards those in need. We should carefully select the form of penance that we consider most appropriate for our own circumstances and growth in the Christian life. 1. Abstinence from meat, and fasting, are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for all who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are asked to fast. All who have completed their 14th year are asked to abstain from meat. 2. On all other Fridays of the year including the Fridays of Lent, we're asked to do any one of the following: (a) prayer – for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary. (b) self-denial – for example, not eating meat; not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with others; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor. (c) helping others - for example, special attention to someone poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened. Lent lasts from Ash Wednesday till the Mass of the Lord's Supper on 1st April. On Good Friday and, if possible, also Holy Saturday until the Easter Vigil, the Easter fast is observed.

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Kevin Dam, Michael Lindsay, John Eastwood, Margaret Chesser, Audrey Rahill, Joan Zampatti, William Maher, Leon Golding, Jessie Gough, Elidio Daghero, Brian Weeks, Dorothy Trainor, Agnes Robson, Violet Morgan and Ron Neill.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT YEAR B 7TH MARCH 2021

Priest: With humble and contrite hearts,

let us place our needs before God.

Reader: That, with Moses and St Paul, we may be respectful of God's presence among us and be attuned to what God asks of us in our hearts.

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

Reader: That governments and legislators who shape and administer earthly laws will act with wisdom and integrity on behalf of those they govern.

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

Reader: That we who gather around the table of the Lord will resist the temptation of money and greed and instead desire Christ more than wealth and possessions.

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

Reader: That our society will promote responsible gaming and gambling and ensure there is adequate help for those enticed into this beyond their control.

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

Reader: We pray for those whose anniversaries are named on the Bulletin.

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

Priest: We ask for Mary's intercession – "Hail Mary ...

Priest: God our strength, your word brings wisdom and hope to our human frailty. Hear our prayer and inspire us to trust in your mercy and follow in your ways through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.