

St. Augustine's Parish, Maryborough

~inc. St. Francis Xavier's, Stanley St. Tarnagulla. 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.~

19th March 2017 Third Sunday of Lent Year A

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Weekends: - MARYBOROUGH – Mass 6.00pm Sat. & 10.30am Sun. AVOCA – Mass 8.30am 1st & 3rd Sun. Assembly 8.30am 2nd, 4th & 5th Sun. DUNOLLY – Mass 8.30am 2nd & 4th Sun. Assembly 8.30am 1st & 3rd Sun. BEALIBA – Mass 8.30am 5th Sun.

Collections "Thank You". First Collection - Presbytery \$819 This supports our Priest and Presbytery running expenses.
Second Collection \$1217 towards Parish Planned Giving - For Parish expenses and Church maintenance.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Rite) – Saturdays at 10.00am or by appointment.

Sanctuary Cleaning and Flowers	Mar. 24 -	K. Kullane, J. Lennen.
	Mar. 31 -	V. Lowery, P. Gloury.
Planned Giving Counters	Mar. 19 -	P. Egan, N. Fitzpatrick, D. Weeks, P. Egan.
	Mar. 26 -	M. Gowers, M. Taylor.
Home Rosary	Mar. 19 -	Mr. & Mrs. F. Fitzgibbon, 1 Churchill St. Maryborough 4.00pm

Weekend Mar. 18/19.

<u>READER</u>	<u>PSALM/PRAYER</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>GIFTS</u>
6.00pm G. Loyer	K. Balzan	J. McKnight, K. & j. Broadway.	B. & L. Bates	Forster Family
10.30am C. Egan	T. Waterson	M. McNeilly, T. Plucke, F. Upson	C. Knowles	Bates Family

Weekend Mar. 25/26.

<u>READER</u>	<u>PSALM/PRAYER</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>GIFTS</u>
6.00pm J. McKnight	B. Cramer	S. & P. Huggett, G. Loyer	A. & G. Mottram.	Broadway Family
10.30am S. Dellavedova	M. Alexander	T. Plucke, K. & I. Lloyd	L. Murphy	Cameron Family

THIS WEEK

MONDAY	9.00AM	ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL MASS. ALL WELCOME
TUE. 21 ST MARCH	9.30AM	MASS
WED. 22 ND MARCH	10.30AM	MASS AT HAVILAH HOSTEL. ALL WELCOME
WED. 22 ND MARCH	2.00PM	PRAYERS AT MARYBOROUGH NURSING HOME
THURS. 23 RD MARCH	9.30AM	MASS
FRIDAY 24 TH MARCH	11.00AM	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
FRIDAY 24 TH MARCH	12.05PM	MASS

NEXT COUNTRY MASSES:

St. Patrick's, Amphitheatre – 6.00pm Friday 31st March.

St. Patrick's, Redbank – 11.00am Wednesday 19th April.

St. Francis Xavier's, Tarnagulla – 11.00am Saturday 22nd April

St. Patrick's, Bealiba – 8.30am Sunday 30th April.

WE WELCOME BISHOP PAUL BIRD: This weekend we joyfully welcome Bishop Paul and thank him for visiting our Parish for all Masses, a combined Parish Council and Finance Committee meeting and the special St Augustine's School Beginning of Year Mass on Monday to which all are invited. Please stay for a cuppa and chat with Bishop Paul after each weekend Mass to help him get to know us and our Parish.

BISHOP'S MARYBOROUGH PARISH VISITATION 17TH – 20TH March:

Saturday 18th March: 11.00am Mass at St Mary's Dunolly (instead of Sunday 19th Assembly); cuppa + lunch.
6.00pm Vigil Mass at St Augustine's Maryborough followed by a cuppa.

Sunday 19th March: 8.30am Mass at St Kevin's, Avoca and morning tea.
10.30am Mass at St Augustine's Maryborough and morning tea.

6.00pm Parish Council and Finance Committee meeting and 7.00pm Dinner at Maryborough Highland Society.
Monday 20th March: 9.00am St Augustine's School Beginning of Year Mass.

LENTEN GROUP MEETINGS have commenced. We're invited to join those holding meetings in their homes:-

Betty Arundell, 2/40 Raglan St, Maryborough 5460 4016 Friday 2.00pm, **Brian and Dianne Castanelli**, 1 Dundas Rd, Maryborough (Enter from Palmerston St.) 5460 4011 Wednesday 7.00pm, **Tanya Waterson** 26 Gearing St, Maryborough 5461 4851 WEDNESDAY 7.00pm, or **David and Margaret Forster** 981 Bet Bet Creek Rd, Bet Bet 5462 6190.



RELAY FOR LIFE March 31st – April 1st: It's that time of year again. All welcome to support this important cause. Entry forms and time sheets on the centre table in St Augustine's church. For further information please contact Anne 0408 120 920 or Jsanna 0409 916 046

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION – WEDNESDAY 29TH MARCH: We pray for our parish children preparing for this Sacrament. Due to other commitments for our visiting priests, the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Second Rite) will now be celebrated at **6.00pm on WEDNESDAY 29TH MARCH** (not Tuesday 28th) and look forward to celebrating this with them at an all parish Second Rite of Reconciliation with visiting priests to which both our children and all parishioners are invited to use this opportunity for Lenten Reconciliation in preparation for Holy Week.

AUSSIE CATHOLICS – OUT NOW: Please pick up your free copy of the Autumn 2017 edition of "Australian Catholics" magazine on "Tuning the Spirit – Our Journey to Jesus through Music" spread throughout the church.

REDUCED PRICE COLUMBAN CALENDARS: The remaining beautiful 2017 Columban Calendars are now available for the reduced price of \$3 each at St Augustine's church Piety Stall (near the Sacristy)

LENT: Lent began on Wednesday 1st March. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. Fasting is for those who are from eighteen till fifty-nine. Abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday, Fridays of Lent and Good Friday for those who have completed their fourteenth year. Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others as with Christians throughout the world we prepare for Holy Week and Easter.

PROJECT COMPASSION – HELPING OUR GLOBAL NEIGHBOURS: Through our support for Project Compassion each Lent (\$11 million in 2016), Caritas Australia funds humanitarian and long-term development programs in more than 29 countries across Asia, Africa, the Pacific, Latin America and in First Australian communities, assisting them to lift themselves out of poverty. We are invited to continue our generous support of Project Compassion via the envelopes and boxes in our churches that can be put on the collection plate each week during Lent.

RESOURCES FROM THE DIOCESE FOR PARISHES. The Diocesan Resource Centre in Ballarat has a wide range of resources that can be borrowed free by parish groups or individuals. There are books, music and dvds on many topics including Sacraments, Lent, the Gospel of Matthew, Pope Francis, social justice and resources for children. See www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or ring 5337 7149.

MASS OF THE OILS Monday April 10, 2017. The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6.30pm on Monday, April 10, 2017. All are invited to this Mass which expresses the unity of the whole Church of the Diocese of Ballarat and includes the annual Renewal of Commitment of laity, priests and religious of our diocese. This Mass also has special significance for those who will use the blessed oils in 2017 – the sick and those to be baptised and confirmed. Ministries required for this include Ushers, Readers, Oils Bearers, Presentation of the gifts, Collection of Oils, musicians and singers. For further information contact the Pastoral Ministry Office, ph. 5337 7159 or pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH BULLETINS ON THE INTERNET: If away from our parish or seeking to peruse our weekend bulletin online, this is now available on the Ballarat Diocese website. Google Ballarat Diocese or go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au Select Maryborough and scroll down our parish page to the bulletin Jill attaches each Friday for this weekend plus previous editions.

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for all who died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Luigi Caruso, Mikaela and Cohen Meagher, Laurie McArdle, Raymond McInnes, John Connelly, Betty Noonan, Joseph Egan, Millie Cook, Charles Branton, Nancy Malouf, Brandon Petersen, Edna May Holland, Joan Leitch, Arthur Barker and Malcolm James Liston.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

19th March 2017

Priest: Let us draw near to the well of life and place our needs before the God of all.

Reader: That the Church will be the well-spring for all who thirst for God.

(pause)

Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That those who are outcast and rejected will be met with acceptance and care.

(pause)

Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That adults and children preparing for Baptism at Easter will be inspired to move forward with courage and conviction.

(pause)

Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That our Lenten journey will help us turn away from sin and put our personal lives in order.

(pause)

Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For all who have died recently and 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 full of grace....."

Priest: O God, the fountain of life, you offer us living water springing from the rock of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Hear our prayers and increase your gift of faith in us through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.