



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~

25th December 2018 The Nativity of our Lord

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Parish Child Safety Officer: Jill Morse.

Weekends: MARYBOROUGH – Mass 6.00pm Saturday & 10.30am Sunday.
 AVOCA – Mass 8.30am 1st & 3rd Sunday. Assembly 8.30am 2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday.
 DUNOLLY – Mass 8.30am 2nd & 4th Sunday. Assembly 8.30am 1st & 3rd Sunday.
 BEALIBA – Mass 8.30am each 5th Sunday of the month.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Rite) – Saturdays at 10.00am (enter via door near Sacristy) or upon request.

Sanctuary Cleaning and Flowers	December 28 - D. Rinaldi, R. Wiseman
	January 4 - I Lloyd, B. Alexander
Planned Giving Counters	December 23 - C. Scott, C. Schwager
	December 30 - E. McKinley, B. Alexander, E. Meagher, C. Hadwen

	<u>READER</u>	<u>PSALM/PRAYER</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</u>	<u>GIFTS</u>
Weekend Dec. 24/25				
8.30pm	G. Loyer	M. Gowers	M. Flowers	Fitzgibbon Family
10.30am	M. Flowers	G. Loyer	M. Flowers	
Weekend Dec. 29/30				
6.00pm	M. Lacey	T. Lacey	M. Forster, D. Forster, G. Loyer	Balzan Family
10.30am	C. Egan	H. Taylor	S. Meerbach, T. Plucke, F. Upson	Maruca Family

Wednesday 26th December - 9.30am Mass
Thursday 27th December - 9.30am Mass
Friday 28th December - 11.00am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
 - 12.00 Noon Mass at St Augustine's church
Sunday 30th December - 8.30am Mass at St. Patrick's Bealiba

St. Patrick's Bealiba – 8.30am Sunday 30th December
St. Patrick's, Redbank – 11.00am Wednesday 20th February 2019
St. Patrick's, Amphitheatre – 6.00pm Friday 22nd February 2019.

**FR. JOHN AND JILL WISH YOU
 A MOST HAPPY AND HOLY CHRISTMAS**

Many thanks for your generous help in the Parish throughout the past year.
 May God bless you and your families throughout the Christmas Season.
 May our New Year together be filled with many blessings.

**MAY JOY BE YOUR GIFT AT CHRISTMAS
 AND FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE BE YOUR TREASURES IN THE NEW YEAR**



BISHOP PAUL'S CHRISTMAS CARD: "In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, magi from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." Matthew 2:1-3 As we celebrate Christmas 2018 I wish you the peace and joy of Christ. Bishop Paul Bird CSsR. Bishop Paul's Christmas Card is among the latest news from around our diocese in "Diocesan e-News" of 18 December 2018 on our Catholic Diocese of Ballarat website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au – click on "News & Events" then "e-News" then on "Bishop Paul Bird reflects on people responding to needs in the Diocese of Ballarat."

CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2018: Bishop Paul Bird commends his annual Christmas Appeal to us as: "one way by which the diocese can respond to the many communities from near and far who turn to us for assistance." Last our diocese generously gave \$51,000 (including \$1,217 from our parish) to this Appeal which was distributed among thirteen worthy causes in Australia and overseas. While Christmas Mass First Collections along with those each Sunday support the bishop and clergy of our diocese, all loose money on the Second Collection at all Christmas Masses will go to this Appeal.

2019 COLUMBAN CALENDARS: \$7 each from Piety Stall and Avoca and Dunolly churches.

NEW PARISH PHONE NUMBER 0466 451 984: Our Parish is gradually moving from our old landline number 5461 1084 to a new Parish mobile phone number 0466 451 984. For now, messages can still be left on our old number or we can ring or text our new Parish mobile number which can also take messages when Jill or Fr John are unavailable to answer this personally.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL 25th December 2018 The Nativity of Our Lord.

Priest: On this night/day a holy light has shone upon the earth and God has appeared among us, may we pray as one for the needs of all people throughout the world.

Reader: That as we celebrate the birth of our Saviour, we will be agents of God's peace on earth and good will for all.

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

Reader: That all families will see God's presence in our midst and themselves as blessed and holy.

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

Reader: That the Christ child, born in a lowly manger, will stir us to show compassion for those in need.

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

Reader: That those whose lives are clouded by darkness and the shadow of death will be drawn into God's holy light.

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

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

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

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

Priest: Lord God, all the ends of the earth have seen your saving power. Hear our prayers as we joyfully proclaim the glory of your infant Son on earth. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.