

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~

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N.B. Our Parish Office is currently closed and messages are best emailed or texted at this time.

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3rd May 2020 Fourth Sunday of Easter

BISHOP PAUL BIRD'S EASTER PRAYER IN THIS CHALLENGING TIME OF COVID-19:

O God, healer of all our ills, to whom we turn in this time of distress, grant we pray in the power of faith, eternal rest to those who have died and comfort to those who mourn, health to the sick and peace to the dying, strength to medical workers, wisdom to our leaders and a spirit of kindness to us all.

VATICAN NEWS: Church news from the Vatican and around the world is available on this informative website that also includes special sections on Faith, Prayers, Daily Scripture Readings and Saint of the Day etc. Google: "Vatican News" or go to: www.vaticannews.va

STRONG IN THE FACE OF TRIBULATION: Sub-titled "The Church in Communion: A Sure Support in Time of Trial," this is a just released Vatican document, available as a free download, that also has the benefit of being able to be constantly updated every few days. Intended as a spiritual support for us during our COVID-19 pandemic so that this can "become an opportunity to look at what is truly essential for our lives and to share the love received from God among us all, and in a special way with those who are most in need today." This has three sections: 1. Prayers, rituals and supplications for difficult times inspired by Christian tradition, with blessings for the sick, prayers for liberation from evil, and other texts that originate from various ecclesial contexts and historical eras. 2. On how we can continue to live out a sacramental life despite COVID-19 restrictions. 3. A collection of Pope Francis' homilies from Mass at the Domus Sanctae Marthae and the texts of the Sunday Angelus discourses, beginning from March 9. This can be searched for on the Vatican News website or by simply googling: "Strong in the Face of Tribulation."

PRAY AT HOME: catholic.org.au/prayathome

has Prayers and Readings for each day, Online Masses and other resources.

MASS ON DEMAND: Daily Mass – Anywhere, Anytime from the Jesuit Parish of North Sydney, Lavender Bay and Kirribilli. Monday to Friday from 7.00am, Saturday from 8.00am, Vigil/Sunday from Saturday 5.30pm. No subscription or registration. Click on Mass on Demand tab on <https://www.northsydney Catholics.com/spirituality/liturgy/mass-on-demand>

FEAST OF STS. PHILIP AND JAMES (APOSTLES). May 3rd. In Rome, the Church of the Twelve Apostles has relics of these two apostles under its altar. For this reason they are honoured together on this day, the date of the Church's dedication in 565. Philip came from Bethsaida on the shore of the Lake of Galilee. James the Less, son of Alphaeus, is distinguished from the apostle James, son of Zebedee and brother of John.

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for those who have died especially Joyce Power and those who have died in the Corona Virus pandemic and those whose anniversaries are at this time especially: Jack Divola, Betty Walsh, Alice Cramer, Sheila Whiting, Patricia Balfour, Grace Devine, Nance Hore, Elaine Delavedova, Frances Long, Gary Morse, John McKinley, Neil McKinley, Tess May, Josie Dridan, James Joseph Trainor and Philip Hamilton.