

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~

Parish Priest: Fr. John Monaghan **Pastor Emeritus:** Fr. Pat Flanagan

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14th March 2021 Fourth Sunday of Lent Year B

Collections "Thank You". First Collection – \$819 *For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses.*
Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving – \$1757 *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 16th March – 10.00am Assembly
Wednesday 17th March – 10.00am Assembly
Thursday 18th March – 10.00am Mass
Friday 19th March – 11.00am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
– 12.00 Noon Mass

ROSTERED READERS

13th March – M. Lacey 6.00pm, 14th March – B. O'Connor 10.30am
20th March – J. Leneaux-Gale 6.00pm, 21st March – K. Lloyd 10.30am

PARISH COUNCIL THURSDAY 18th MARCH: 5.30pm Meeting at 68 Burke St.

IN NEED OF A CHAT: Come and have a chat with Terry Ranger on Friday 19th March. Terry has had many years working as a Counsellor in our Diocese. Please ring before next Friday to book an appointment with Terry on 5331 4032

PIETY STALL: The Piety Stall at St. Augustine's will be open after Mass on the 1st Sunday of the Month. Any enquiries please phone Norma on 5462 2214.

ST MARY'S DUNOLLY NEW DATE 5th DECEMBER – 150th CELEBRATIONS:

Bishop Paul Bird advises that he is now able to celebrate our 150th Mass on Sunday 5th December (not 28th November). Please note this date change.

ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH ROOF: Has anyone won Tattlotto recently?

For many years, roof tiles have been slipping and rain has been entering our building despite various costly attempts to fix this. It appears the terracotta tiles are no longer doing their job and after 60 years need to be replaced. We're open to cheap, quick alternatives to fix our dilemma. In the absence of these, it may be that replacing the tiles with colorbond is the best long-term option. While this will be expensive, it seems preferable to do this in the near future rather than be still wondering about this in say five or ten years time for much greater outlay plus the cost of water damage and maintenance in the meantime. Our parish finance committee is looking into this and this will be discussed at this week's parish council meeting. Our ideas are welcomed and very likely our generous donations toward this. Please put your thinking caps on and assist us both find and finance a solution to this continuing challenge. Fr John.

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

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.

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. 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 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: Stuart Robbins, Daniel Templeton, Doug and John Streeter, Alex Passalick, Joan Margot Angliss, Joyce Lanfranchi, Cynthia Singe, Loris Hynes, Michael Purcell, Millie Cook, Edna Lavery, Beverley Hetherington, Teresa Rinaldi, Peter Morgan, John Simpson, Vera Slade and Terence Kincade.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT YEAR B 14TH MARCH 2021

Priest: With confidence in God's saving grace, let us place our needs before God who is rich in mercy.

Reader: That we will be challenged and strengthened by the prophetic voices in our midst so that the light of Christ can continue to shine forth in our world.

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

Reader: That people exiled from their homeland will be able to return in safety and peace.

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

Reader: That we will show God's mercy and acceptance to people of other cultures and beliefs.

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

Reader: That those struggling with division or conflict will be open to God's forgiveness and healing.

(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 of light, we rejoice in Christ who sets us free from the darkness of sin to prize your goodness above all other joys. Hear our prayers as we continue to journey to eternal life with you through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.