



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 **Deacon:** Rev. Matthew Restall

Parish Secretary and Child Safety Officer: Jill Morse **Pastor Emeritus:** Fr. Pat Flanagan

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19th December 2021 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Collections "Thank You". First Collection – \$701 *For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses.*

Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving – \$912 *For Parish expenses and Church maintenance.*

**ST. KEVIN'S, AVOCA – 8.30am Mass 1st and 3rd Sundays of 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 of each month.
– 8.30am Assembly at Dunolly on 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month**

ST. PATRICK'S, BEALIBA – 8.30am Mass on the 5th Sunday of each month.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S, MARYBOROUGH – 6.00pm Saturday and 10.30am Sunday

Tuesday 21st December – 10.00am Mass

Wednesday 22nd December – 10.00am Mass

Thursday 23rd December – 10.00am Mass

**Friday 24th December – 6.00pm Mass at St. Augustine's
– 8.00pm Mass at St. Kevin's Avoca**

	Readers	Psalm/Prayer	Gifts
Dec. 18	J. Walsh	G. Loyer	Hamilton Family
Dec. 19	T. Bell	T. Jacka	Conolly Family
Dec. 25	M. Lacey	J. Walsh	B. Teggerth
Dec. 26	B. O'Connor	M. Flowers	Hadwen Family

CHRISTMAS FOR ALL: Thanks to Wednesday's State Government announcement, we can now throw open our doors for anyone and everyone from near and far without number restrictions or needing to check vaccination status. Checking-in is still required (via QR code or manual signing) and Masks aren't mandatory but are strongly recommended. Let's spread the pre-Christmas cheer far and wide that we can celebrate Christ's birth together in the best way possible by gathering for Mass in our Christ-centred communities.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

(Thanks to eased restrictions, all Masses inside and byo chair not required)

Christmas Eve:

6.00pm Carols and Mass at St Augustine's, Maryborough

7.30pm Carols and 8.00pm Mass at St Kevin's, Avoca

Christmas Day:

8.30am Mass at St Mary's, Dunolly

10.30am Mass at St Augustine's, Maryborough.

CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2021: Bishop Paul Bird invites us to consider the needy of our diocese and elsewhere through our generous support for this appeal each year. After the clergy support First Collection, all money on the Second Collection goes to this worthy cause or we can donate online via the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat website: (click on "Parish Giving" at bottom of page, then on our parish then on the "My Giving Is For" Bishop's Christmas Appeal option.)

APOLLO BAY PARISH: Bishop Paul Bird thanks Fr Wally Tudor "for his dedicated service in numerous parishes in our diocese over the past 34 years, most recently as Parish Priest of Apollo Bay since 2009" and has announced that, following Fr Wally's retirement at the end of this month, on 1st February 2022 Fr Michael O'Toole will become parish priest of Apollo Bay (in addition to Colac parish priest and Cororooke supervising priest) with Fr John Pothiyittel appointed as assistant priest of Apollo Bay Parish in caring for the communities of Apollo Bay, Lorne and Airey's Inlet.

MAKING A SCENE AT CHRISTMAS: After several years travelling our diocese displaying their extensive Christmas crib collection, Fiona Tonkin, Fr Andrew Hayes and their team now have a beautiful 5 minute reflection on our Ballarat diocese website: <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/making-a-scene-at-christmas/>

VINNIES CHRISTMAS KINDNESS APPEAL. This Christmas our gift can change a life by helping families experiencing poverty and homelessness with much needed essentials including food, clothing and a place to call home. We can donate via: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/christmas-kindness>

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time: Desmond Alfred O' Meara, Angelina Divola, Mary Harris, Doris Mullins, Gilbert Auer, Vic Severino, Lorraine Milda Jones, Margaret Mary Petersen, Agnes McKinley, Kathleen Dridan, Alice Schmidt, Ronald Morgan, Francis Ellis and Robert Laverick.

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Priest: Knowing that the Lord is very near,
let us turn to God with our needs.

**Reader: That with Mary and Elizabeth we may trust in God's
promise of salvation.**

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

**Reader: That those preparing for the birth of a child may be
supported by their family, friends and local
communities.**

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

**Reader: That those travelling to meet loved ones may safely
reach their destinations.**

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

**Reader: That we may be servants of one another and
instruments of peace in our world.**

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

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

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

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

Priest: God of Mary and Elizabeth, hear our prayers as we follow
their example of believing that your promises will be fulfilled
and preparing for Christ's coming with joy in our hearts.
We ask this in Jesus' name.

All: Amen.