

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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St Augustine's School: 5460 4440 **Principal:** Mrs. Sonia Turner

8th January 2023 The Epiphany of the Lord

Collections "Thank You" First Collection – \$682 For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses.

Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving – \$937 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 10th Jan – 10.00am Mass

Wednesday 11th Jan – 10.00am Mass

Thursday 12th Jan – 10.00am Mass

Friday 13th Jan – 11.00am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

– 12.00 Midday Mass

	Readers	Psalm/Prayer	Gifts
Jan 7 th	M. Lacey	B. Crameri	Walsh Family
Jan 8 th	T. Bell	K. Lloyd	Cameron Family
Jan 14 th	J. Leneaux-Gale	G. Hadwen	B. Teggerth
Jan 15 th	B. O'Connor	T. Waterson	Taylor Family

YVONNE MARGARET MOONEY 15/7/1958 – 30/12/2022:

With her husband Dave and their young son James, we prayed for Yvonne at Phelans Jubilee Chapel on Friday then laid her body to rest in Maryborough cemetery. Rest in peace, Yvonne.

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for Yvonne Mooney and Pope Benedict who died this week and those whose anniversaries are at this time: Julie Paul, Kevin Mullins, Betty Arundell, Kevin Egan, Nadia Zinko, Patricia Fernandez, Ivan Wade, Hugh Slater, Brendan Grogan, Ettie Dam, Fred Stuckenschmidt, George Guiney, Brendan Dwyer, David Castanelli, Agnes Robson, Violet Morgan and Ron Neill.

POPE BENEDICT XVI 16/4/1927 – 31/12/2022: With fellow

Catholics and people of all faiths and nations across the world we mourn the passing from this life and celebrate the entrance into eternal life of Pope Benedict. Born Joseph Ratzinger and an influential and highly regarded theologian for many years till leading us as Pope from his election on 19th April 2005 till his resignation, citing “lack of strength of mind and body” from his advancing age, on 28th February 2013.

Spiritual Testament of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, written 29 August 2006:

When, at this late hour of my life, I look back on the decades I have wandered through, I see first of all how much reason I have to give thanks. Above all, I thank God Himself, the giver of all good gifts, who has given me life and guided me through all kinds of confusion; who has always picked me up when I began to slip, who has always given me anew the light of his countenance. In retrospect, I see and understand that even the dark and arduous stretches of this path were for my salvation and that He guided me well in those very stretches.

I thank my parents, who gave me life in difficult times and prepared a wonderful home for me with their love, which shines through all my days as a bright light until today. My father’s clear-sighted faith taught us brothers and sisters to believe and stood firm as a guide in the midst of all my scientific knowledge; my mother’s heartfelt piety and great kindness remain a legacy for which I cannot thank her enough. My sister has served me selflessly and full of kind concern for decades; my brother has always paved the way for me with the clear-sightedness of his judgements, with his powerful determination, and with the cheerfulness of his heart; without this ever-new going ahead and going along, I would not have been able to find the right path.

I thank God from the bottom of my heart for the many friends, men and women, whom He has always placed at my side; for the co-workers at all stages of my path; for the teachers and students He has given me. I gratefully entrust them all to His goodness. And I would like to thank the Lord for my beautiful home in the Bavarian foothills of the Alps, in which I was able to see the splendour of the Creator Himself shining through time and again. I thank the people of my homeland for allowing me to experience the beauty of faith time and again. I pray that our country will remain a country of faith and I ask you, dear compatriots, not to let your faith be distracted. Finally, I thank God for all the beauty I was able to experience during the various stages of my journey, but especially in Rome and in Italy, which has become my second home.

I ask for forgiveness from the bottom of my heart from all those whom I have wronged in some way. What I said earlier of my compatriots, I now say to all who were entrusted to my service in the Church: Stand firm in the faith! Jesus Christ is truly the Way, the Truth, and the Life – and the Church, in all her shortcomings, is truly His Body. Finally, I humbly ask: pray for me, so that the Lord may admit me to the eternal dwellings, despite all my sins and shortcomings. For all those entrusted to me, my heartfelt prayer goes out day after day.

Benedictus PP XVI

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL The Epiphany of the Lord.

Priest: With those who followed the star and found Christ, let us ask God for what we need.

Reader: That throughout this year we will walk together in the light of Christ.

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

Reader: That Christ's light will lead people of all nations to true justice and peace in our world.

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

Reader: That cultural and ethnic diversity in our nation and across the world be appreciated as a source of strength and harmony.

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

Reader: That, through the brightness of Christ, those struggling with life's difficulties and challenges will have darkness driven from their hearts.

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

Reader: For Yvonne Mooney, Pope Benedict and all who have fallen asleep in the Lord, including those whose anniversaries are at this time. May they be received with joy and gladness into God's eternal kingdom of light and peace.

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

Priest: We ask for Mary's intercession – "Hail Mary full of grace ...

Priest: Loving Father, who in Jesus Christ gifted us with your Son as a light for all nations, hear our prayers and help us to see ever more clearly the radiance of your glory revealed in our midst now and for ever and ever.

All: Amen.