



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

St Augustine's - Kyabram ~ St Patrick's - Tongala

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year C

Sunday 16 February 2025



Readings for
this week:

Jeremiah 17:5-8
1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20
Luke 6:17,20-26



Readings for
next Sunday:

1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-
13,22-23
1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Luke 6:27-38



Liturgical Jottings

Holy Year Doors

The Holy Door takes on special significance and is a powerful sign of the Jubilee, since the ultimate aim of the pilgrim is to pass through it. The opening of the door by the Pope constitutes the official beginning of the Holy Year.

In crossing the threshold of the Holy Door, the pilgrim is reminded by John 10:9 "I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture." Passing through the Holy Door expresses the decision to follow and be guided by Jesus, who is the Good Shepherd. The door is a passageway that ushers the pilgrim into the interior of a church. For the Christian community, a church is not only a sacred space, but also a symbol of the communion that binds every believer to Christ: it is a place of encounter and dialogue, of reconciliation and peace which awaits every pilgrim, the Church is essentially the place of the community of the faithful.

Looking at the Readings

From the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time this year we hear that Jesus comes to bring good news. It is Luke's agenda that the Gospel of Jesus is life changing and life-giving. The Beatitudes in the Gospel today presents a reversal of worldly values to deeper human values giving life to the oppressed, poor, neglected and hurt people. These four Beatitudes which offer more practical outcomes differ from Matthew's eight beatitudes which bring more spiritual-like benefits. We are fortunate to hear both accounts. Luke's account immediately adds four maledictions or "Alas" clauses identifying human situations that sharpen the dichotomy between the heavenly and worldly ways of life.

The words of Jeremiah in the first reading prepares the Christian for the Gospel message. Though it is not God who curses or blesses the different persons. It is their intentions and actions that bring about their wretched state or fruitful welling. But in Christ Jesus we receive both blessing and guidance in our very human circumstances, our decision making and resulting wellbeing. Blessed be God! blessed be all God's people!

Lectionary Translations

Almost 60 years the Scripture readings in our Liturgies at Mass and the Sacraments have been sourced from the Jerusalem Bible (JB) translation. The Australian Catholic Bishops, after much consultation have decided to adopt the Revised New Jerusalem Bible translation (RNJB) that combines scholarship, readability and current inclusive vocabulary. One consequence is translating the Greek word Μακάριος from Happy (JB) to Blessed (RNJB, NRSV) in the Beatitudes and in many other texts.

Prayer for the Day

God, who alone can satisfy our deepest hungers,
protect us from the lure of wealth and power;
move our hearts to seek first your kingdom,
that ours may be the security and joy
of those who place their trust in you. Amen.

Quote of the Day

Jesus didn't say, 'Blessed are those who care for the poor.' He said, 'Blessed are we where we are poor, where we are broken.' It is there that God loves us deeply and pulls us into deeper communion with himself.
Henri Nouwen

On the Lighter Side

Blessed are those who give without remembering. And
blessed are those who take without forgetting. Bernard Meltzer

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Norris Bell, Olive McElroy, Jodie Potts, Frances Corso, Philip Bowman.

Ron Florence, Kady Mitchell-Treacy.

Recently Deceased: John Moran,

Anniversaries: Arthur Nicholson

(Please email or contact the Parish Office to add names to our prayer list)

ROSTERS

Saturday 22 February at 6pm

Commentator – L Ratcliffe

Lector – S Carroll

Special Minister – L Sorbello

Sunday 23 February 8.30am

Commentator – M Carver

Lector – N Watt

Special Minister – M DiPetta

Sunday 2 March 8.30am

Commentator – A Snell

Lector – V Fox

Special Minister – A Brunt

PLATE AND ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Last weekend Collection: \$1062.80

Thank you for your generosity and support for our Parish. May God bless you, always.

PARISH DETAILS

PARISH PRIEST

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PRINCIPALS

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MASS TIMES

KYABRAM

Week Day: Tuesday Rosary 4pm, Mass 4.15pm & Thursday 9.15am

Saturday: 2nd and 4th weekend of month: 6pm EDT (5pm EST)

Sunday: 8.30am

TONGALA: First Sunday of month 11.30am

RECONCILIATION: Second Saturday of month at 5.30pm (before 6pm Mass) in St Augustine's Church.

ANointing MASS: First Thursday of the month at 10am in St Augustine's Church.

HARVEST MASS

WELCOME to the celebration, thanksgiving and sharing of the harvest – just as Jesus and his people celebrated, gave thanks and shared in the “Feast of Ingathering” or the



“Feast of Tabernacles.” People may like to join Saturday evening's entry procession and lay their items of non-perishables like a can, jar, or packet, at the altar for the St. Vincent DePaul Society to distribute. After Saturday Mass, please feel free to swap and share items of produce from the trading table. And, of course, do stay for our supper following Mass. Thank you to everyone who has helped and given to make our harvest celebration enjoyable. Please note there will be photos taken, if you do not wish for your photo to be taken please let the photographer know.

God, giver of all life, blessed are you in the fruits of the earth, in the sowing of seed and the work of human hands, in the harvest of human creativity.

God of the poor and hungry, blessed are you in the striving for justice, in the fragility of peace-making, in the generosity of care for those in need.

God of the great feast and the simple meal, blessed are you in the grace of hospitality, in the breaking and sharing, blessed are you in our daily bread. Amen



MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sun 16th February - 8.30am

Weekly Masses

Tue 18th February – No Mass

Thu 20th February - 10am Opening school Mass Tongala

Sat 22nd February - 6pm

Sun 23rd February - 8.30am

Weekly Masses

Tue 25th February - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass

Thu 27th February - No Mass

Sun 2nd March - 8.30am

Sun 2nd March - 11.30am Tongala

SAFEGUARDING

Two years ago Diocese of Sandhurst implemented safeguarding training for all volunteers. Volunteers who completed their course online will be receiving an email to recomplete the training. All volunteers are required to repeat this training regularly. Volunteers who completed their training online will receive an email from support@saltcompliance.com.

Once completed please if able print your certificates, email them to kyabram@sandhurst.catholic.org.au, drop into office or give to Mary Zobec or Annette Ryan. Volunteers who did a group training will be notified of a training session in the coming months.

The Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all persons, especially children, young people and adults at risk and has a zero tolerance of abuse.

The Diocese is committed to nationally established standards and protocols of the Catholic Church, as well as being compliant with all government legislation. For further inquiries please see Mary Zobec or Annette Ryan.

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE- FR LEO WEARDEN MSC

We give thanks and celebrate Fr Leo Wearden MSC as he marks 20 years of tireless service in the remote community of Wadeye. For two decades, Fr Leo has embodied the heart of Christ through his compassion, steadfast commitment, and deep love for the people he serves. Fr Leo has been a priest for 45 years, and his missionary journey has taken him to many places where his service has left a lasting impact. His ministry has included time in the Tiwi Islands, Papua New Guinea, and East Timor - places in which he retains a strong interest and close connection. These diverse experiences have enriched his ministry and strengthened his ability to walk alongside communities with respect and empathy. Fr Leo has played a key role in fostering mutual respect and understanding between faith and culture. His commitment to walking alongside the local Aboriginal community is an example of what it means to live out Pope Francis' call to be a Church of encounter, dialogue, and care. On behalf of the Diocese, I thank you, Fr Leo, for your service, sacrifice, and example of missionary spirit. May the Lord continue to bless you with strength and joy as you continue this mission. Fr Leo was raised, educated and ordained in the Kyabram parish.

With the warmest blessings and gratitude, +Charles, Bishop of Darwin and Northern Territory

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Fr Uday would like to thank all the Parish Pastoral Council team for their contributions, the parish appreciates your commitment and support. There are now vacancies so we are calling for nominations of those interested in joining the Parish Pastoral Council. There are nomination forms in the gathering space and they can then be given to Fr Uday or placed in the mailbox at the presbytery or handed into the office. Forms need to be received today Sunday 16 February.

CHILD SAFE PARISH

We are a Child Safe Parish, we have a zero tolerance for child abuse and aim to provide a safe, supportive and welcoming environment to all visiting children, young persons and vulnerable adults. If you are concerned for any form of abuse that is immediate you should call 000; a significant risk or harm, whether or not you have formed this belief on reasonable grounds, you should immediately raise your concerns with the Parish Child safety officer Mary Zobec 0427 190 282.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As we come to worship, we remember the Yorta Yorta & Bangerang People the original custodians of this land. We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with deep respect. May the Elders, past and present, be blessed and honoured. May we join and build a future based on compassion, justice, faith and reconciliation.

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"Let us love the Cross very much, for it is there that we discover our life, our true love, and our strength in our greatest difficulties." – St. Maria Goretti