



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 20 July 2025



Readings for
this week:

Genesis 18:1-10
Colossians 1:24-28
Luke 10:38-42



Readings for
next Sunday:

Genesis 18:20-32
Colossians 2:12-14
Luke 11:1-13



Liturgical Jottings

Gospel Sequence

Luke chapters 10 & 11 which we read over these three weeks form an unusual sequence, not one of time or place but of a sense of journey towards Jerusalem in which Jesus encounters several persons incidentally on the road. The journey is more like a religious pilgrimage: People ask questions, Jesus gives his teaching, each discovers something of themselves.

The lawyer asks the question about what he must do to inherit eternal life. Martha asks Jesus to intervene to get Mary to help with the serving. And the disciples ask Jesus to teach them to pray. While these persons ask about doing things, Jesus response is about relationships with neighbour, with two sisters, with the disciples and our Father in heaven. These "pilgrims" on the journey must learn to imitate Christ and what is really necessary in life.

Looking at the Readings

Abraham immediately offers hospitality to three mysterious travellers. He provides a table in the shade, food and company. The three, upon departure offer not signs or words of gratitude but a promise of a son to Abraham and Sarah. Jesus, receiving hospitality in the house of Martha, Mary and Lazarus at the town of Bethany, offers timely advice to Martha and words of comfort to Mary. Luke ends the passage abruptly. We do not hear the sisters responses or of Jesus' departure. Like a few other Lucan passages we are left wondering. Being hospitable has its own reward both for the giver and the receiver.

Readers and Commentators of this Gospel passage sometime miss a major detail. The meal is already prepared: the vegetables peeled, sliced and cooking away in the pot, the table set. When Jesus arrives only the serving is required. One provides the serving the other provides the company. Martha was unnecessarily worrying and fretting, but it appears that her anxiety was more than the issue at hand, for Jesus added "over many things." Jesus has accepted the hospitality of Martha who was the one that welcomed him into their home, He accepted the hospitality of Mary who sat and listened. In nine days' time we will be celebrating these saints feast day together with their bother Lazarus. Hospitality takes many forms, but we must always consider the attitude in which it is given and received.

Prayer for the Week

Gracious Lord and God,
grant that we may always take delight in your service,
for only through our faithfulness to you,
the author of every good,
will full and lasting happiness be ours.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Quote of the Day

All guests who present themselves are to be welcomed as Christ, for he himself will say: I was a stranger and you welcomed me (Matt 25:35). Respect must be shown to all, beginning with those who share our faith and to pilgrims. Once a guest has been announced, the superior and the brothers are to meet him with all the courtesy of love. First of all, they are to pray together and thus be united in peace. *Rule of St Benedict Ch 53: 1-4*

On the Lighter Side

Strange to see how a good dinner and feasting reconciles everybody." *Samuel Pepys*

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Carmen Quattrocchi, Olive McElroy,
Frances Corso, Philip Bowman,
Kadyn Mitchell-Treacy.

Recently Deceased: Michelle Honey

Anniversaries:

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

ROSTERS

Saturday 26 July at 5pm

Commentator – W Mulcahy

Lector – S Carroll

Special Minister – L Sorbello

Sunday 27 July 8.30am

Commentator – R Chapman

Lector – M Carver

Special Minister – M DiPetta

Sunday 3 August 8.30am

Commentator – N Watt

Lector – **Help required**

Special Minister – A Brunt

PLATE AND ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Last weekend Collection: \$ 906.65

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

PARISH DETAILS

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Uday Kumar Marneni ALCP/OSS

PARISH SECRETARY

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Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am-4pm

PRINCIPALS

St Augustine's College -Tim Campbell – Phone 5851 3000

St Patrick's Primary - Jackie Stockdale – Phone 5859 0371

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 (Weekend) of
month 30 mins before Mass in St Augustine's Church.

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

FR AWAY ON LEAVE

Fr Uday will be away on leave from 11 August until 12
September. There will be no Mass on Saturday 23 August
during his absence.

INVITATION - SANDHURST MISSION AND PASTORAL GOALS WORKSHOP

Fr Uday warmly invites all Members of the Parish Pastoral
and Parish Finance Councils of St Augustine's Kyabram
and Sacred Heart Tatura, together with all interested
parishioners, to come together for an important workshop.
The objective of the workshop is to break open the
Sandhurst Mission and Pastoral Goals.

The expected outcomes include an understanding of the
visionary intent and language of the goals as well as
considering and reflecting on current parish activities,
initiatives and actions in the light of the goals.

The Workshop will be facilitated by Geoff Gowdie,
Assistant Director of Mission and Pastoral Life. "Geoff's
work is centered on helping individuals and communities
deepen their relationship with Jesus and grow in their
ability to live out the church's mission through outreach,
belonging and formation. "

Please keep the date and give prayerful consideration to
attending this important event.

Date: 7 August. Time: 4 pm. Duration: 90 Minutes.

Place: St Augustine's Church Kyabram.

RSVP: Sunday 3rd August by email to
kyabram@sandhurst.catholic.org.au or phone 5852 1026.

ST DONATO FESTA - TATURA

Saturday 9 August 10am Mass at Sacred Heart Church.
11.30am doors open to Tatura Italian Social Club. Lunch
four course meal. Adult \$60 Youth (5-12 years) \$25.
Entertainment by Rick Brun. Bookings essential by 1st
August. Phone: Pino Lagozzino 0427 677 943, Mary
Zobec 0427 190 282, Frank De Palma 0427 552 686, Joe
Gagliardi 0438 579 989. Prepay Tickets: BSB: 083 709
ACC: 9191 54865, reference your name please.

MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sun 20th July - 8.30am Mass

Weekly Masses

Tue 22nd July - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass

Thu 24th July - No Mass

Sat 26th July - 5pm Mass

Sun 27th July - 8.30am Mass

Weekly Masses

Tue 29th July - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass

Thu 31st July - 9.15am Year 1/2 and Year 11

Sun 3rd August - 8.30am Mass

Sun 3rd August - 11.30am Mass Tongala

Weekly Masses

Tue 5th August - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass

Thu 7th August - 10am Anointing Mass

Sat 9th August - 5pm Mass

Sun 10th August - 8.30am Mass

WELCOME BACK STUDENTS

Welcoming back all the students and staff of St Augustine's and St Patrick's from their holiday break.

FELLOWSHIP DAY

You are invited to attend fellowship day at Uniting Church, Union Street, Kyabram, on Friday 25 July 2025 at 2pm. Guest speaker: Loretta Lilford. Theme: Be not afraid – Celebrating God's guidance.

BISHOP APPOINTMENT

Bishop Shane will be installed as Archbishop of Brisbane at St Stephen's Cathedral on Thursday 11 September 2025. A farewell Mass will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo on Sunday 7 September 2025.

MONTHLY WORKING BEE

Monthly working bees are being held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 9.30am to do some general cleaning in the church e.g., dusting, cleaning glass doors, cobwebs, sweeping steps, etc. If you are able to help, we would love to see you. The next working bee will be on Saturday the 2nd August.

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS - MEMBERSHIP

The Knights of the Southern Cross Bendigo Branch will be promoting a membership drive at Masses throughout the month of July. New members are urgently required to continue the work in supporting Bishop Shane, our priests, our seminarians, parishioners, schools and local community. For further information please contact Kevin on 0458485223

CELEBRATION OF THE SEASON OF CREATION

Friday 5th September, Celebration of the Season of Creation. Sandhurst Diocese's now annual event to mark the Season of Creation begins with an outdoor Mass at 11am, celebrated, this year, by our Vicar General, Fr Joe Taylor, followed by a Picnic Lunch (either BYO or enjoy provided Sausage Sizzle). All parishioners are invited and encouraged to come along and celebrate this occasion. Venue is the Bendigo area with details tbc.

ST PATRICK'S PARISH STRATHMERTON

St Patrick's Parish Strathmerton, celebrates 90 years of at ST PATRICK'S STRATHMERTON on Saturday 13th September. Mass at 6pm with refreshments and fellowship to follow at The Railway Hotel Strathmerton. Contact: Colleen 0429334458 or Chris 042873488

LADIES CUPPA AND CHAT

There is no cuppa and chat in July. The next ladies cuppa and chat will be held at Fauna Park Café on Wednesday 13th August at 2pm. All ladies welcome.

SISTERS OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN: STUDY, ACCOMPANIMENT AND MENTORING PROGRAM

The Sisters of the Good Samaritan invite applications for the 2026 Study, Accompaniment and Mentoring (SAM) Program for Catholic women. Applications close 31 July 2025. Further information is available [online](#).

LINK TO SANDPIPER E-NEWS:

The latest edition of Sandpiper e-News was published on Friday, 27 June. It can be accessed by this link: <https://mailchi.mp/sandhurst/98>

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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 one of our Parish Child safety officers Mary Zobec 0427 190 282 or Annette Ryan 0408 502 858.

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 honored. May we join and build a future based on compassion, justice, faith and reconciliation.

The first end I propose in our daily work is to do the will of God; secondly, to do it in the manner he wills it; and thirdly to do it because it is his will. - Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton