



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi Sunday)

Sunday 22 June 2025



Readings for
this week:

Genesis 14:18-20
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
Luke 9:11-17



Readings for
next Sunday:

Acts 12:1-11
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18
Matthew 16:13-19



Liturgical Jottings

Eucharistic Hymn

The Victorian Regional Seminary was established in 1923 and named Corpus Christi College. Today is its feast day. The College motto: "De Te Vivere" is found in the fifth stanza of the hymn "Adoro Te Devoto". St Thomas Aquinas wrote the hymn at the request of Pope Urban IV when he established the Feast of Corpus Christi in 1264.

Gerard Manley Hopkins (died 1889) translated the hymn into English with the title "Godhead Here in Hiding" and the motto to: "Living Bread, the life of us" the literal translation is: "[gives] life from you [Lord]." But it needs to be read or sung in context:

O thou our reminder
Of Christ crucified,
Living Bread, the life of us
For whom he died,
Lend this life to me then:
Feed and feast my mind,
There be thou the sweetness
We were meant to find. (CWBII, 162)
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Looking at the Readings

The readings for the feast open with Melchizedek, king of Salem. He is a most mysterious personage in the bible and appears in a vague way in the book of Genesis, again in Psalm 109 (110) verse 4. Later interpretation identifies Melchizedek priesthood with Christ's for several reasons. Hence the inclusion of him in the Feast and in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer 1) at Mass. This provides a focus for our celebration of the feast to include aspects of offering, acceptance of gifts and thanksgiving.

The Second Reading gives a Pauline/Lukan tradition of the institution of the Last Supper and adds the aspects of memorial of Christ's sacrifice and the obligation of the participants towards charity and unity found in the preceding verses, 17-22, not read today.

The miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes in the Gospel serves to add another dimension to our understanding and celebration of the Eucharist. Though not explicitly mentioned in Luke's account, the food is provided by the people. From what is given Jesus is able to provide food for the many. This gospel passage shows the actions of the Eucharist: take, bless & thank, break, give and receive. Jesus satisfies the hungry heart.

Prayer for the Day

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia! *Gospel Acclamation John 6:51-52*

Several Solemnities

It is quite unusual to have four great feasts (solemnities) in one week; two are moveable feasts and two with fixed dates.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ; Nativity of Saint John the Baptist; Sacred Heart of Jesus; and Saints Peter and Paul.

Words of Pope Leo XIV

In the one Christ, we are one. This is the path to follow together, among ourselves but also with our sister Christian churches, with those who follow other religious paths, with those who are searching for God, with all women and men of good will, in order to build a new world where peace reigns! This is the missionary spirit that must animate us; not closing ourselves off in our small groups, nor feeling superior to the world. We are called to offer God's love to everyone, in order to achieve that unity which does not cancel out differences but values the personal history of each person and the social and religious culture of every people.

Homily 18 May 2025

On the Lighter Side

How do you tuna fish? Adjust their scales.

What do you call a fish who doesn't approve of war? A Pacifish. Too many fish puns, better scale back.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Olive McElroy, Frances Corso,
Philip Bowman, Kadya Mitchell-Treacy.

Recently Deceased: Amelia Poppa

Anniversaries: Nicola Spina, Carmina Di Petta,
Daniel Lingard

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

ROSTERS

Sunday 29 June 8.30am

Commentator – M Carver

Lector – N Watt

Special Minister – A Brunt

Sunday 6 July 8.30am

Commentator – Help required

Lector – E Luvara

Special Minister – M Cocks

Saturday 12 July at 5pm

Commentator – L Ratcliffe

Lector – C Anderson

Special Minister – L Moran

PLATE AND ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Last weekend Collection: \$ 725.70

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

PARISH DETAILS

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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 (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.

BISHOP'S PARISH VISITATION PROPOSED PROGRAM

Bishop Shane will be visiting the parish from 28th to 29th
June and 2nd July. On Saturday 28th June: Bishop Shane
will be visiting homebound & sick, Warramunda and
Sheridan Aged Care from 2.30pm to 4pm.

This will be followed by a joint meeting with PPC and PFC
at 4.30pm. **There will also be a shared parish dinner at
the Bocce Club at 6.30pm. Please bring a plate to share.**
Drinks are at bar prices. Bishop Shane will celebrate Mass
on Sunday 8.30am. He will then return to visit St
Augustine's College and St Patrick's School on
Wednesday 2nd of July.

BISHOP APPOINTMENT

Pope Leo XIV announced the appointment of the Most
Reverend Shane Mackinlay as the next Archbishop of
Brisbane. The appointment recognises Bishop Shane's
pastoral gifts, his unwavering leadership and
administrative wisdom. We are immensely grateful for his
service to Sandhurst since 2019, for his leadership and for
his friendship. We will miss Bishop Shane, and he leaves
with our very best wishes.

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.

BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Mila McCann into our faith
community. Please keep Kyle and Stacey, her parents and
godparents in your prayers, as they continue on their faith
journey.

FATHER ON RETREAT

Father will be away on retreat from 23rd to 27th June.

ST PATRICK'S PARISH STRATHMERTON:

St Patrick's Parish Strathmerton, celebrates 90 years of
worship with a Thanksgiving Mass, on Saturday 13th
September at 6pm. All welcome. Please spread the word.
More details to come.

MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sat 21st June - 5pm Mass

Sun 22nd June - 8.30am Mass

Weekly Masses

Tue 24th June - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Liturgy

Thu 26th June - 9.15am 9-12 Community Liturgy

Sun 29th June - 8.30am Bishop Shane's Mass

Weekly Masses

Tue 1st July - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass

Thu 3rd July – No Anointing Mass

Sun 6th July - 8.30am Mass

Weekly Masses

Tue 8th July - 4pm Rosary, 4.15pm Mass

Thu 10th July - No Mass

MINISTRIES EXPO

The ministries Expo will be kept up for next few weeks after 8.30am mass. There will be representatives from different ministries and the schools to answer questions and provide information on the many ministries that St Augustine's parish offers. Ministries represented will be PPC, PFC, Liturgy including music and rosters for Lectors, Eucharist minister and altar servers, Sacramental including RCIA and children's sacraments and baptism and St Vincent de Paul. This is a great opportunity to explore the different ministries our parish provides and perhaps to take on a role.

PARISH SCHOOL MASSES

Have you been to a Thursday school mass? On most Thursdays at 9.15am, the students from St Augustines join the parish in St Augustine's church for a school mass. This is a wonderful time for parishioners to join with the students in celebrating their faith. Please check the Mass times for specific details and times. St Patrick's Tongala also hold school masses, parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend any and all of these Masses.

HOLY HOUR ON THURSDAYS AT WHITE HILLS

Adoration and Holy Hour at 6pm Thursday, Holy Rosary Church, 2 Hamelin Street, White Hills. Everyone is welcome to come along. Mass is on every Monday 6pm at St Francis Xavier's Church, 24 Strickland Road, Bendigo East. Everyone, is welcome on Monday and /or Holy Hour on Thursdays.

NATIONAL ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT

ISLANDER SUNDAY will be celebrated on 6th July 2025

Every year, on the first Sunday in July, Catholics come together across Australia to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts of Australia's First Peoples in the Catholic Church. We acknowledge that God has been walking with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, making His Presence known through a continuous living culture over many thousands of years. This day also marks the start of NAIDOC Week, a time for celebrating Indigenous culture across the Australian community. For a range of information about First Nations people and the Catholic Church go to <https://natsicc.org.au/2025-atsi-sunday.html>

LEARNING DISABILITY WEEK 2025

Learning disabilities are often confused with learning difficulties. A learning difficulty does not impact a person's overall intellectual ability, whereas a learning disability does. Some people may have both. Reduced intellectual ability is usually identified soon after birth and will last a person's whole life. People with learning disabilities are more likely to experience low self-esteem, exclusion and bullying, leading to mental health issues. People are disabled by the way they learn and have to try a lot harder than a typical learner to develop new skills. The support needs of those with a learning disability will vary widely from person to person and make a huge difference to each one. We need to be aware of learning disabilities that people have, and what life is like for you if you have a learning disability. Speak up if you see a person with a learning disability facing discrimination or abuse in a private or public situation.

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

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The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist.
- Saint Gregory the Great