



# Historic Parish of St Augustine, Yass

Established: 1838

Bowning, Breadalbane, Dalton, Gunning, Gurrundah, Murrumbateman, Wee Jasper and Yass

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## ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH VISION STATEMENT

St Augustine's Parish is a community striving to be Christ to one another and to welcome and serve the Christ in those around us. We seek ongoing spiritual formation as individuals, as families and as a community. We hope, through pastoral care, to strengthen, support and enrich one another and reach out to others in witness and evangelisation.

Parish Priest	Father	Mick Burke
Youth Worker	Georgia	Breynard
Chair Finance Committee	Paul	O'Mara
Chair Parish Council	Joe	Morrissey
Principal of the School	Michael	Green
School Community Council	Amber	Maher
Sacramental Team Leader	Dianne	Carey
RCIA	Sister	Aileen
Parish Office	Zuzy	Webster
	Monday and Wednesday	9:00am – 3:00pm
Parish Bulletin	Bianca	Nash
	Friday	9:30am – 3:30pm

## SUNDAY MASSES:

<b>Yass:</b>	<i>St Augustine</i>	
Vigil Saturday		6:00 pm
<b>Gunning:</b>	<i>St Francis Xavier</i>	
1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday		8:30 am
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Liturgy of the Word and HC		8:30 am
<b>Murrumbateman:</b>	<i>Uniting Church Hall</i>	
1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday		10:30 am
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Liturgy of the Word and HC		10:30 am
<b>Wee Jasper:</b>	<i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday		10:00 am

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday	Yass	5:30 pm
Thursday	Yass	7:30 am
Friday	Yass	12:00 noon
Saturday	Yass	9:00 am

## Nursing Home/Hostel

<b>Thomas Eccles Gardens (Linton)</b>		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues (monthly)	Yass	11:00 am

## Horton/Warlington

4 <sup>th</sup> Tues (monthly)	Yass	11:00 am
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*Parishioners are invited to celebrate Mass with the residents at both locations.*

## Exposition

Saturday after 9:00am Mass until 10:00am

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Yass 10:00am, 5:00pm – 5:15pm

Sunday Gunning 8:00am – 8:15 am

At other times: On request

## Baptisms

<b>Yass</b>	Saturdays	10:30 am
	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays	12:15 pm

**Gunning Parish** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 8:30 am & 12:30 pm

*Book by ringing the Parish Secretary (Mon, Wed. or Fri.)*

## Marriages

By appointment. Five to six months notice ideal.

## School Enrolments

Mt Carmel Central School: Kindergarten to Yr 6. Ring the School Secretary for appointment (02) 6226 3357.

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Response:** *The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart. **R**

He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. **R**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.

Alleluia!

## PARISH PRAYER

Lord God, may we, as St Augustine's Parish, be a united and welcoming community recognising the need for Christ in our lives and serving the Christ in others. May we, as community, continue to face challenges together serving and supporting individuals and our families through our own personal efforts and our parish support groups. Guide us with your patient love. Fill us with your infinite Wisdom. Pour out your rich blessings upon us as we reach out to one another to fulfil our spiritual and pastoral needs as One in Christ, in community, and in faith, hope and love. AMEN.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

# Thoughts from the Presbytery



## FEASTS OF THE WEEK

**Mon:** St Gregory the Great  
**Sat:** Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- The success of the 180 years celebrations last weekend were due to the work of the committee and the many people who contributed to the display, catering and liturgy. Congratulations and thanks to everyone involved. Due to my failure to apply GST to the dinner, concert and sale of books, we will be lucky to cover costs.
- Speaking of finance, we were told that the asbestos audit of parishes would cost \$1,900 and be payed over two years. Yass has been hit with a bill of \$3,160 and Gunning \$1,780. At least one small country parish had been charged in excess of \$9,000. There are people sitting in comfortable city offices inventing new ways to financially crush others.
- On the 23<sup>rd</sup> September, the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at a 10am Mass. This year we only have fifteen confirmandi and I ask for your prayerful support for these young people and their families.
- Mass Thursday morning will revert to the normal time of 7:30am.
- Next week I hope to have organized a survey in preparation for the Plenary Council 2020 discussions.

## Be Doers of the Word

The need to be listened to is great. The chaplain at a hospital for people with special needs, told of a sad case of a Greek man in an institution who was thought to be a hopeless schizophrenic. The man had been vegetating in the hospital for years. No one knew much about him or where he came from, but all agreed he was a hopeless case. The chaplain asked the Greek Orthodox priest in the community to pay the man a visit, just to give the poor fellow a chance to speak in his native tongue as much as for any pastoral reasons. He hadn't had a chance to do this for years.

The Greek Orthodox priest returned from the visit and asked the chaplain, "What in the world is that fellow doing there? He's as healthy as you and I". Bit by bit the tragic story unfolded.

The Greek had jumped ship long ago in a nearby port. Speaking no English, he had gotten into some sort of trouble and as mistakes sometimes happen, he was locked up in an institution. There he slowly learned English, but he learned his English from schizophrenic patients.

Certain language misuse is characteristic of that mental dysfunction, and the poor Greek fellow managed to learn totally schizophrenic English. To all English personnel he sounded schizophrenic and as removed from reality as his fellow patients. The priest, however, conversed with him in Greek, the first time anyone had done that in the hospital, and the man spoke perfectly correct Greek. The hospital staff were humbled and were taught a lesson by the experience.

GPBS eNews

**Put your hand in Jesus' hand:** For almost 50 years Mother Teresa worked in the slums of Calcutta, India. She worked among the most forsaken people on earth. You and I would recoil from most of the people that she touched every day – the dispossessed, the downtrodden, the diseased, the desperate. And yet, everybody who met Mother Teresa remarked on her warm smile. How, after almost 50 years of working in conditions like that did she keep a warm smile on her face? Mother explains that it is interesting. "When I was leaving home in Yugoslavia that

(Con't)

## Parish Finance Committee Members:

Bill	Luchetti	Father	Mick Burke
Stan	Waldren	David	Garland
Mark	Valencic	Paul	O'Mara
Irene	Carr	(Minutes)	

## Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Georgia Breynard	(Youth)	Peter	Cleary	(Liturgy)		
Bryan	Coleborne	(Ecumenism)	Michael	Green	(School)	
Joe	Morrissey	(Education)	Steve	Scroope	(Social)	
Bob	Nash	(Maintenance)	Michael	Van Wanrooy	(Welfare)	
Ex Officio Member: Fr Mick Burke		Sarah Johnston				(Social Justice)

## **Father's Day Prayer**

God our Father,  
you govern and protect your people  
and shepherd them with a father's love.

You place a father in a family  
as a sign of your love, care,  
and constant protection.

May fathers everywhere be faithful  
to the example shown in the Scriptures:  
steadfast in love, forgiving  
transgressions, sustaining the family,  
caring for those in need.

Give your wisdom to fathers  
that they may encourage and  
guide their children.

Keep them healthy  
so they may support a family.

Guide every father  
with the Spirit of your love  
that they may grow in holiness  
and draw their family ever closer to you.

Amen

Author Unknown

(Con't)

age of 18 to become a nun, my mother told me something beautiful and very strange". She said, 'You go put your hand in Jesus' hand and walk along with him.'" And that was the secret of Mother Teresa's life ever after. (Rev. King Duncan). Many of us here have good jobs, we live in nice homes, and we have easy situations. But we don't have the warm smile on our faces that this little nun, working in the most desperate situation imaginable, had on her face. What's the difference? It may be that we've never put our hand in Jesus' hand. It may be that we have him only on our lips as St. James remarks in the second reading and as Jesus remarks in today's Gospel.

**Ritual washing using drinking-water:** William Barclay in *The Daily Study Bible* tells the story of an old Jewish rabbi in the Roman prison diagnosed with acute dehydration which would have led to his death. The prison guards insisted that the rabbi had been given his quota of drinking water. So, the prison doctor and the officer in charge instructed the guards to watch the rabbi and ascertain what he was doing with his ration of water. They were shocked to find that the rabbi was using almost all his water for traditional ritual washing before prayer and meals. Today's Gospel tells us how the tradition-addicted Pharisees started questioning Jesus when his disciples omitted the ritual washing of hands in public before a meal.

(Mark Link in Sunday Homilies)

## FATHER'S DAY APPEAL - ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

Annual collection for retired priests: Please give generously to this Appeal conducted at all Masses this weekend. Special envelopes are provided in the church and donors will be issued with a tax deductible receipt.

### THANK YOU

Many thanks to the 180 years celebration committee and their helpers that made the celebrations something to remember. To those that contributed items for the historical display and to the school children who also gave towards it. Special mention to the school choir for their beautiful singing before the dinner on Friday night.

THANK YOU----- THANK YOU ----- THANK YOU

Bob Nash  
Co-ordinator of Celebrations

### 180 YEARS CELEBRATION COMMITTEE MEETING – 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

There will be a meeting for the 180 years celebration committee members this Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm in the Hartigan Centre.

## ENGAGED & NEWLY MARRIED COUPLES – 15<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

Tutored Wine Tasting for Engaged and Newly Married Couples from 6:30 to 8:30pm, at Clonakilla Winery, Murrumbateman.

Cost: \$40 per couple includes finger food, drink and wine tasting.

Purchase tickets at <https://bit.ly/WineTutoring>

Enquiries: [lara.kirk@cg.org.au](mailto:lara.kirk@cg.org.au)

Come along and support Namora Anderson and Adrian Chan who will be ordained to the Priesthood by Archbishop Christopher Prowse on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm St Christopher's Cathedral.

All welcome!

## 2018 MARIAN PROCESSION – 14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

Join the Archdiocesan family in a day of prayer, festivities and fun at our Annual Archdiocesan Marian Procession. This year the Papal Nuncio to Australia, Archbishop Yllana will be the main Celebrant as we celebrate 100 years since the foundation of St Clements, Galong.

Mass start at 11:30am. BYO food, or purchase at the sausage sizzle. [www.marianprocession.org.au](http://www.marianprocession.org.au)

## KIDS OF NAURU CAMPAIGN

The campaign calls for the countries elected representatives to find a solution to resettle the 119 children trapped on Nauru before Universal Children's Day on November 20, 2018.

A central message is that all refugees and people seeking asylum on Nauru and Manus should be brought back to Australia or safely resettled to a third country and that offshore processing should end once and for all. This campaign prioritises getting children off Nauru and finding an enduring solution, as they are one of the particularly vulnerable groups with the greatest prospect of getting any political action between now and the next federal election.

Parishioners are invited to log onto the campaign website is [www.kidsofnauru.com](http://www.kidsofnauru.com) and sign up to demonstrate your support for the Kids Off Nauru Campaign.

## CALL TO CONNECT

The prayer gathering 'Call to Connect' next meeting will be on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 2:30pm in the Lovat Chapel.

## NATIONAL PRAYER CRUSADE FOR VOCATIONS – 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER TO 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

The *Knights of the Southern Cross Australia* will conduct their 12<sup>th</sup> National Prayer Crusade for Vocations from 2<sup>nd</sup> September to 24<sup>th</sup> November 2018. All parishioners are invited to participate by simply saying the following Crusade Prayer for seven consecutive days during this period:

*Heavenly Father, you know the faith, courage and generosity of your people throughout Australia including the men and women serving at home and overseas with the Australian Military Services. Please provide your people in Australia with sufficient priests, deacons and religious to meet their needs and be with them always as they endeavor to meet the challenges of their daily lives. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son. Amen.*

## ANTHONY MAHER BOOKS TO BE LAUNCHED

You're invited to attend the launch of two books at the Chapel at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture at 6:00pm on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September. *Faith and the Political In the Post-Secular Age* edited by Anthony Maher will be launched by Professor Stephen Pickard. Anthony Maher's second book *The Forgotten Jesuit of Catholic Modernism* will also be launched on the same night by Father Frank Brennan SJ.

## THE FUTURE OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA – 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

Concerned Catholics of Canberra-Goulburn will hold its 4<sup>th</sup> Public Forum at the Australian Centre for Christianity & Culture, Barton at 7pm for 7:30pm. Special guest speakers:

- Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv DD – Diocese of Parramatta
- Sr Clare Condon - Sisters of the Good Samaritan
- Ms Anne Kirwan - CEO Catholic Care, Canberra-Goulburn

## ACU BLACKFRIARS LECTURE SERIES – 19<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

From 5:30pm (registration & refreshments) for 6:00 – 7:00 pm lecture by Danielle Dal Cortivo "Designing for transforming a tale of two worlds".

The lecture will be held in Room 301.1.20, Veritas Building, ACU (Signadou), 223 Antill Street, Watson ACT.

RSVP: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September, [canberra@acu.edu.au](mailto:canberra@acu.edu.au)

## CENTERING PRAYER NOURISHMENT DAY – 29<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

Fr. Thomas Keating renowned Trappist monk and Dr Judith Simmer will share in practical terms the importance of the Journey of Compassion and Transformation through the practice of Centering Prayer Meditation.

Location: Marian Hall, St. Matthew's Parish, Chewings St, Page

Time: 10:30 am – 2:30 pm

Contact: Sr Lorraine Cupitt rsm on (02) 6288 6074.

Donation \$10. Please bring a personal lunch. Morning tea will be provided.

## NEW CATHOLIC VOICE WEBSITE:

[www.catholicvoice.org.au](http://www.catholicvoice.org.au)

Got a story to tell? Stories from *your* school, *your* parish or from your own corner of the world. We've made it easy for you to upload stories, photos and videos – go to [www.catholicvoice.org.au/share](http://www.catholicvoice.org.au/share)

## COMMUNION REFLECTION

'... we begin to see how love requires truth. Only to the extent that love is grounded in truth can it endure over time, can it transcend the passing moment and be sufficiently solid to sustain a shared journey. If love is not tied to truth, it falls prey to fickle emotions and cannot stand the test of time.

'... If love needs truth, truth also needs love. Love and truth are inseparable. Without love, truth becomes cold, impersonal and oppressive for people's day-to-day lives. The truth we seek, the truth that gives meaning to our journey through life, enlightens us whenever we are touched by love. One who loves realises that love is an experience of truth, that it opens our eyes to see reality in a new way...'

*Pope Francis, Lumen Fidei 27*

### READINGS NEXT WEEK:

#### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YR B

**First Reading** *Is 35:4-7*

God comes with vindication.

**Second Reading** *Jas 2:1-5*

Do not judge by appearance.

**Gospel** *Mk 7:31-37*

Jesus heals the deaf man.

*Please reflect on these readings over the coming week*

## PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



### Recently Deceased

*Peter Breen and Julia Kirk.*

### Prayers for

*Ralph Wailes.*

### Prayers for all those whose anniversary occurs at this time including:

*Elizabeth Holmes (2/9), Cyril Wailes (4/9), David Hingston (4/9), Maurice Fitzgerald (6/9), Frances McGrath (6/9), Rebecca Hicks (9/9), Brenda Longley (10/9), Kenneth McCann (10/9), Gwen Richmond (13/9), Gladys Delbridge (14/9), Catharina Kuster (15/9), John Ockwell (16/9), Ruby Robinson (18/9), Col Perrot (18/9), Ethel MacQuillan (19/9), Kathleen Richmond (20/9), Kerrie Blyss (20/9), William Renehan (22/9), Donald Hoffmann (23/9), Denis Rowe (23/9), Bill Richmond (24/9), Joe Monteleone (24/9), Rodney Wales (24/9) and Bernard Williamson (29/9).*

**Always In Our Hearts Loved and Remembered**

### ROSTERS

#### LITURGY

1 = Readings/Resp. Psalm/Gospel Acc. 2 = Prayers of the Faithful  
3 = Offertory 4 = Acolyte

<b>1 Sep</b>	Joseph	Morrissey	1	Susan	Morrissey	2
	Morton	Family	3	Vince	Coffey	4
<b>8 Sep</b>	Dianne	Carey	1	Bob	Nash	2
	Bob	Nash	3	Frank	Grace	4

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

<b>1 Sep</b>	Peter	Walker	Ken	Robbie	Coral	Carroll
<b>8 Sep</b>	Michael	Green	Michael	Van Wanrooy	Trish	Gibbs

#### VISITS

<b>2 Sep</b>	Peter	Walker	Ken	Robbie	Coral	Carroll
<b>9 Sep</b>	Michael	Green	Michael	Van Wanrooy	Trish	Gibbs

#### ALTAR SERVERS

<b>1 Sep</b>	Molly	McPherson	Ella	Broers
<b>8 Sep</b>	Ella & Rachel Widdows			

#### POWER POINT PRESENTERS

<b>1 Sep</b>	Peter	Cleary
<b>8 Sep</b>	Russell	Hill

#### HOSPITALITY

<b>1 Sep</b>	The Cleary Family	
<b>8 Sep</b>	Bert & Kath Moore	

#### CARE GROUP

<b>3 Sep</b>	Helen	Murphy	Maureen	Collins	(Group 7)
	Lourdes	O'Keefe	Edith	Buhagair	(Group 8)
<b>10 Sep</b>	Jeanette	Patmore	Maureen	Grieves	(Group 9)
	Kay	Perceval	Coral	Carroll	(Group 10)

#### ALTAR CLEANERS

<b>1 Sep</b>	Geraldine	Doyle
<b>8 Sep</b>	Kay	Perceval

### SAYG – ST AUGUSTINE'S YOUTH GROUP

For Those Who Are In Yr 7-12, we meet every alternate week of term. We meet at Mass at 6:00pm and follow up with a gathering involving sport/games, sharing a meal and breaking open key aspects of the Christian faith in a fun, relaxed and non-threatening environment.

### MUSIC PRACTICE TIME

St. Augustine's church, Thursdays at 5:00pm

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