



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	Christopher	Beaton
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
	<i>Monday and Wednesday 9:00am – 3:00pm</i>	
Parish Bulletin	Bianca	Nash
	<i>Friday 9:30am – 3:30pm</i>	

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

18th & 19th August 2018



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. **R**

Revere the Lord, you his saints. They lack nothing, those who revere him. Strong lions suffer want and go hungry but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. **R**

Come children, and hear me that I may teach you the fear of the Lord. Who is he who longs for life and many days, to enjoy his prosperity? **R**

Then keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit. Turn aside from evil and do good; seek and strive after peace. **R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who eat my flesh and drink my blood
live in me and I in them, says the Lord.
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

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

SUNDAY MASSES:

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

Thomas Eccles Gardens (Linton)		
2 nd Tues (monthly)	Yass	11:00 am

Horton/Warminsteron

4 th 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

Yass	Saturdays	10:30 am
	3 rd & 4 th Sundays	12:15 pm

Gunning Parish 1st 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.

Thoughts from the Presbytery



FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Mon: St Bernard Abbot and Doctor **Tue:** St Pius X
Wed: Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Fri: St Bartholomew, Apostle

- Next weekend, St. Augustine's celebrate 180 years as a parish. Please volunteer to support members of the committee in their various tasks to ensure a memorable celebration.
- There will be a Vigil Mass at Gunning, Saturday 6pm, but the only Mass in the Yass Valley will be the 10am Sunday in the Lovat Chapel. Due to the 18 hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, there won't be Mass on Saturday morning.
- Tickets to the Saturday concerts have been reduced to \$20 and will need additional money to cover costs.
- The committee has decided to limit tickets to the dinner to 120, so everyone will have a table in the Lovat Chapel.
- At the deanery meeting this week, we had another session on the findings of the Royal Commission into institutional sexual abuse. We were reminded of the importance of WWC checks for all involved in ministry. I am aware of how intrusive this is for some people but we must be seen as proactive in creating a safe environment for the vulnerable.
- Thursday evening this week, candidates preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation with their parents are obligated to attend a liturgy at St. Augustine's.

'I would like to ask you all a question today. But each of you keep it in your heart and take it home. You can regard it as a kind of 'homework'. Only you must answer. How are things when it comes to joy at home? Is there joy in your family?

'Dear families, you know very well that the true joy which we experience in the family is not superficial; it does not come from material objects, from the fact that everything seems to be going well ... True joy comes from a profound harmony between persons, something which we all feel in our hearts and which makes us experience the beauty of togetherness, of mutual support along life's journey. But the basis of this feeling of deep joy is the presence of God, the presence of God in the family and his love, which is welcoming, merciful, and respectful towards all. And above all, a love which is patient: patience is a virtue of God and he teaches us how to cultivate it in family life, how to be patient, and lovingly so, with each other. To be patient among ourselves. A patient love. God alone knows how to create harmony from differences. But if God's love is lacking, the family loses its harmony, self-centredness prevails and joy fades. But the family which experiences the joy of faith communicates it naturally. That family is the salt of the earth and the light of the world, it is the leaven of society as a whole.

'Dear families, always live in faith and simplicity, like the Holy Family of Nazareth! The joy and peace of the Lord be always with you!'

Parish Finance Committee Members:

Bill	Luchetti	Father	Mick Burke
Stan	Waldren	David	Garland
Sam	Longley	Mark	Valencic
Irene	Carr (<i>Minutes</i>)	Paul	O'Mara

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

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

Bread of Life 3: Food That Changes You

The early Christians scared some Romans. It came from scary rumours that Christians "ate flesh and drank blood."

It should be scary – because you can't keep going to Communion regularly without being challenged to change. And change can be scary.

John wrote this week's Gospel to show early Christians the importance of the Eucharist. He wanted to show that God loves us so much, God wants to physically connect with us. By reflecting on the Gospel and sharing Christ's body and blood at Eucharist, we develop a real physical intimacy with God. The person who takes Communion "remain in me and I in you," Jesus says. That's the gift. But that's also the scary part – because Jesus can change us.

Intimacy, real friendship, changes us. Intimate friends become part of us. We take on some of their interests. We hang out in some of their sports. We start to see the world through their eyes. Friendship also shows itself physically through handshakes, hugs – even friendly punches.

All this happens through Mass. The Gospels ask us to take on God's interests (forgiveness and peace) and to hang out where Jesus hung out (with the forgotten). We physically connect with the Lord in Communion, but also during the sign of peace and our greetings with friends and neighbours. The more we go to Mass with open eyes and ears, the more our own eyes and ears will change the rest of the week. Our eyes will see the work God needs done, and our ears will hear the cries that break God's heart.

Are you ready for that?

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PRAYER FOR RAIN

Loving Father, you are the giver all gifts.

You care for us in our needs.

You listen to us in all that concerns us.

We pray for rain to come down abundantly on our drought affected land, particularly in this region of Australia.

We take the many gifts of creation that you have given us so much for granted.

We have taken for granted plentiful rain and the importance of abundant harvests.

Please forgive us.

Return now rain to our parched land.

Bless and protect families immediately impacted by this severe drought – especially on our farms.

We pray through the intercession of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop in our special need.

We make this prayer and all our prayers through Christ our Lord, the source of all our hope and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Fr James Antony has asked for your parish communities to pray for his and many other families who are currently battling some of the worst floods to hit India's Kerala state in nearly a century. Hundreds of houses have been damaged by rain and landslides placing many of our Archdiocesan Priest's families in danger. Please pray for those affected.

JOIN OUR PARISH EMAIL CONTACT LIST

The parish is establishing an email contact list. If you subscribe to the list you will be able to receive regular email updates on parish events and activities tailored to your location and specific interests.

You can change your preferences or unsubscribe from the list at any time.

To join the list simply go to <http://eepurl.com/dD9Tpj> and complete the simple sign-up form.

18 HOURS OF ADORATION

As part of the 180th celebrations, there will be an opportunity for prayer and adoration in praise and thanksgiving for the last 180 years. 18 hours of Adoration will be held in St Augustine's Church.

Each hour will be a time to pray for a decade of the Priests, Parish and wider community of that time.

Parishioners are invited to add their names to the adoration roster, on the notice board at the back of the church or email menaliveyass@gmail.com with your name and time for adoration.

The roster times are:

Friday 24th August 2:00pm to 6:00pm
Saturday 25th August 7:00am to 7:00pm
Sunday 26th August 7:00am to 9:00am

DINNER & CONCERT TICKETS FOR 180 YEARS CELEBRATIONS

Tickets are on sale after Mass at the rear of the church.

Cash or cheque payable on purchase of ticket (see program for prices).

Limited seating in the chapel.

Tickets are also currently available from Vinnies and the school.

180 YEARS CELEBRATION

The committee members need help in their various roles, so if anyone would like to help please contact Bob or any member of the committee.

Publicity	Bryan Coleborne	6226 4235
Dinner	Lourdes O'Keefe	0413 096 413
Setting up displays	Maureen Collins	6226 1334
Celebration Mass	Peter Cleary	6226 2012
Concert	Bob Nash	0418 691 423
Move items between functions	Steve Scroope	0456 441 888

180yrs PARISH CELEBRATIONS PROGRAM

DINNER: and Launch of FR. Lovat Book.

Friday 24th. 6.30pm for 7pm.

TICKETS. \$50. From VINNIES and SCHOOL.

MATINEE CONCERT:

A MUSICAL SOIREE.

Saturday 25th. 1.30pm. Sharp.

TICKETS. \$20.

Light Refreshments served at interval.

EVENING CONCERT:

A MUSICAL SOIREE.

Saturday 25th. 7.30pm Sharp.

TICKETS. \$20.

Light Refreshments served at interval.

CELEBRATION MASS.

Sunday 26th. 10am.

Celebrants; Archbishop Prowse,

Fr. Mick Burke, and others.

Morning Tea served after Mass.

A STATIC DISPLAY OF THE HISTORY OF YASS PARISH WILL BE OPEN FROM

Friday 24th. 9.30am to 5pm.

Saturday 25th 9.30am to 5pm.

Sunday 26th 11.45am to 4.30pm.

GOLD COIN ADMISSION.

School Grounds and surrounds will also be open for Visitors Inspection.

ALL TICKETS AVAILABLE AFTER MASS.

ENQUIRES: BOB NASH 0418 691 423

REMINDER

Just a reminder that during August Mass on Thursdays is at 8:30am.

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.

SISTERHOOD CONNECT EVENT - SAINTS IN THE MAKING – 23rd AUGUST

Sisterhood National Catholic Women's Movement invites you to join us for this free event, an inspiring evening with author and speaker Lisa Hendey.

Thursday 23rd August, 7:15pm for 7:30pm at the Haydon Hall 55 Franklin Street Forrest, ACT 2603.

Register: <http://bit.ly/sisterhoodConnect>

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES – 26th AUGUST

CAPSA are inviting all to participate in a National Week of Prayer and Action to complement Migrant and Refugee Week, with the aspiration to allow a practical outflow from Pope Francis' address for the 104th World Day of Migrants and Refugees to "Welcome, Protect, Promote, Integrate" those who are in search of safety.

The details of activities and actions can be accessed on: <https://capsa.org.au/nwpa-2018/>

The organisers would be grateful if the word of the week of prayer and action could be shared across parishes, schools, and communities. People are encouraged to register their involvement so that a sense of proportion could be gained. Photos would also be fantastic!

BOOKS AND BEANIES FAIR – 30th to 31st AUGUST

From 8:00am-4:00pm the Calvary Auxiliary are running a 'fair' with a large selection of fiction paperbacks, children's books, cook books, biographies and more!

Books - nothing over \$2, beanies \$5. Xavier Building foyer adjacent to Zouki Cafe, Calvary Public Hospital, Cnr Haydon Drive & Belconnen Way Bruce. All proceeds go to equipment and patient services at Calvary Hospital.

Enquiries: Pat on 040379192.

CONSULTATION DAY FOR WOMEN – 8th SEPTEMBER

At the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

All Catholic women are welcome. The gathering will be an opportunity to contribute to a discernment process regarding the future of the Catholic Church in Australia and the possible reestablishment of an Archdiocesan Women's Group.

Contact: Jacinta at catholic.women@cg.org.au or phone (02) 6201 9861.

MEN'S CURSILLO THREE DAY WEEKEND – 13th to 16th SEPTEMBER

To be held at the beautiful Hartzler Park Conference and Retreat Centre, 25 Eridge Park Road, Burradoo NSW 2576.

Contact: Joe Jambor, phone: 0401 159 852 or Email: irmandjoe@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S CURSILLO – 15th to 18th NOVEMBER

Commences 6:00pm and concludes 4:00pm at the Greenhills Conference Centre, Cotter Road, Stromlo. Transport can be arranged if needed.

The cost, which includes all accommodation, meals and materials, is \$280.00

If cost is difficult or if you require further information about the Cursillo, please contact the Lay Director, Lorraine Barker 0437 329 371 or email lorraine-barker@grapevine.com.au.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

I give my flesh for the life of the world

The promise of Jesus
to give his flesh for the life of the world
is the promise of someone
who wants to give everything.

Like the parent wanting to give everything –
life, love, money, education,
to the point where it hurts –
Jesus wants to give himself,
and the best way to do it now
is to give his body.

It's his way of saying:
I want to give everything.

We know what he means
when we love someone,
and our giving means it hurts ourselves.

Where we suffer for another,
we give our lives;
where we suffer with another,
we give our lives.
Where we share the joy of another,
we give our lives.

What Jesus gives us,
the bread and wine of his body and blood,
is energy for growth,
food for the journey,
nourishment for the community,
and we are, one and all,
raised up, now and in the future.

For this bread of strength,
for this Eucharist of love,
we give thanks.

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YR B

First Reading

Jos 24:1-2. 15-18

The tribes of Israel choose the Lord above all other gods.

Second Reading

Eph 5:21-32

Family members in Christ must defer to one another.

Gospel

Jn 6:60-69

Many disciples desert Jesus.

Please reflect on these readings over the coming week

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



Prayers for

Ralph Wailes.

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

*Frances Todkill (1/8), Catherine Wallace (1/8),
Frances Cassidy (1/8), Dennis Hoey (4/8),
Eric Runnacles (5/8), Thomas Heaney (5/8),
Robert Field (6/8), Beverley Beeten (7/8), Tilly Ward (7/8),
Val McDonald (7/8), Paul Ryan (13/8), Josef Kuszko (13/8),
Helen Hird (15/8), Robert Wade (15/8), Irene Diver (15/8),
Samantha Darmody (15/8), Margaret Neumann (16/8),
Brendan McPhillips (16/8), Gweneth Besgrove (19/8),
Thomas Hilly (21/8), Florence Davis (21/8),
Brian Hepple (22/8), Kevin McKenzie (23/8),
Peggy Kennedy (25/8), Bernard Robinson (27/8),
Catherine Walmsley (27/8), Valda Connors (28/8)
and Joan Perrot (31/8).*

Always In Our Hearts Loved and Remembered

ROSTERS

LITURGY

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

18 Aug Kate Walker 1 Rod Perceval 2
McManus Family 3 Greg Minahan 4

26 Aug 180 YEARS CELEBRATION ROSTER

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

18 Aug Frank Grace Peter Cleary Elizabeth Liew

26 Aug 180 YEARS CELEBRATION ROSTER

VISITS

19 Aug Frank Grace Peter Cleary Elizabeth Liew
26 Aug Joe Buhagiar Noel Quinn Kay Perceval

ALTAR SERVERS

18 Aug Charlotte McPherson Grace Miller

26 Aug 180 YEARS CELEBRATION ROSTER

POWER POINT PRESENTERS

18 Aug Patrick O'Connell **25 Aug**

HOSPITALITY

18 Aug Kath Luchetti Coral Carroll

26 Aug 180 YEARS CELEBRATION ROSTER

CARE GROUP

20 Aug Sr Aileen Sr Macrina (Group 3)
Marie Polyak Irene Carr (Group 4)
27 Aug Helen Van Wanrooy Suzanne Hawkes (Group 5)
Kath Turner Shirley Williamson (Group 6)

ALTAR CLEANERS

18 Aug TBA **25 Aug** TBA

CALL TO CONNECT

The prayer gathering 'Call to Connect' next meeting will be on Tuesday 21st August at 2:30pm in the Lovat Chapel.

MUSIC PRACTICE TIME

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

CONFIRMATION

Sunday 23rd September 2018 at 10:00am

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