

Historic Parish of Established: 1838 St Augustine, Yass

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.

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Parish Priest	Father	Mick Burke		
Youth Worker	Georgia	Breynard		
Chair Finance Committee	Paul	O'Mara		
Chair Parish Council	VACANT			
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 9:30	0am – 3:30pm		

SUNDAY MASSES:

SUNDAY MASSE	<u>:S:</u>					
Yass: S	t Augustine					
Vigil Saturday	6:00 pm					
Gunning: S	t Francis Xavier					
1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th Sunday 5 th Sunday Liturgy of the Word and HC		8:30 am				
5 th Sunday Liturgy c	of the Word and HC	8:30 am				
Murrumbateman	: Uniting Church Hall					
1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th Sunc	lav	10:30 am				
5 th Sunday Liturgy c	10:30 am					
Wee Jasper: 0	ur Lady of the Rosary					
5 th Sunday	, ,	10:00 am				
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WEEKDAY MASS		- 00				
Wednesday	Yass	5:30 pm				
Thursday	Yass	7:30 am 12:00 noon				
	Friday Yass					
Saturday	Yass	9:00 am				
Nursing Home/Ho						
Thomas Eccles G	ardens (Linton)					
2 nd Tues (monthly)	Yass	11:00 am				
Horton/Warmington	<u>on</u>					
4 th Tues (monthly)	Yass	11:00 am				
Parishione	ers are invited to celebrat	te Mass				
with the	e residents at both locati	ons.				
Exposition						
	am Mass until 10:00am					
Sacrament of Reco						
Saturday		.00pm – 5.15pm				
Sunday	·····, ····, ·····					
At other times:	On request					
Baptisms	onroquoot					
Yass	Saturdays	10:30 am				
1000	3 rd & 4 th Sundays	12:15 pm				
Gunning Parish		-				
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Book by ringing the Parish Secretary (Mon, Wed. or Fri.)						
<u>Marriages</u>						
By appointment. Five to six months notice ideal.						
<u>School Enrolments</u> Mt Carmel Central School: Kindergarten to Yr 6. Ring the						
School Secretary for appointment (02) 6226 3357.						
School Secretary for appointment (02) 0220 3337.						

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - YEAR C

12th & 13th January 2019



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

<u>Response:</u> Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are, clothed in majesty and glory, wrapped in light as in a robe! You stretch out the heavens like a tent.

Above the rains you build your dwelling. You make the clouds your chariot, you walk on the wings of the wind, you make the winds your messengers and flashing fire your servants.

How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all. The earth is full of your riches. There is the sea, vast and wide, with its moving swarms past counting, living things great and small.

All of these look to you to give them their food in due season. You give it, they gather it up: you open your hand, they have their fill. R

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. R

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

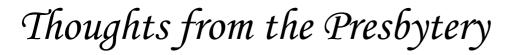
Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

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

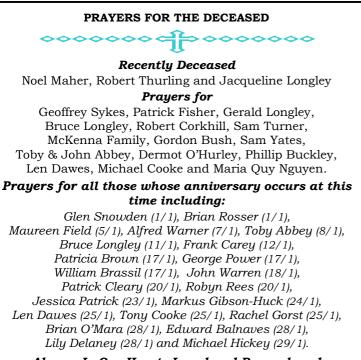
Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.





As the summer break draws to a close, I remind parishioners of the meeting on the 6th February, 7:30pm in the Hartigan Centre, to discuss issues we want brought to the Plenary Council 2020. At this gathering, we will also elect delegates to attend a deanery meeting with the results from other parishes.

Do we have a small group of people prepared to maintain the garden at the Hartigan Centre? Unfortunately we don't have the finances to employ someone. If there were about four willing gardeners, it would require about two hours a month.



Alwaus In Our Hearts Loved and Remembered

ROSTERS

LITURG	Y							
1 = Readings/Resp. Psalm/Gospel Acc.2 = Prayers of the Faithful3 = Offertory4 = Acolyte								
12 Jan	Greg	Minaha		1	Peter	Cleary	2	
19 Jan	Geraldine Kate	e Doyle Walker		3 1	Ken Bob	Robbie Nash	4	
19 Jan	Bob	Nash		3	Peter	Walker	4	
EXTRAC	RDINARY	MINIST	ERS OF	HOLY	СОММ	UNION		
12 Jan	Dianne C		Noel	Quinn		Trish	Gibbs	
19 Jan	Frank C	Grace	Ken	Robbi	е	Joe	Morrisse	у
<u>VISITS</u>								
13 Jan	Dianne C		Noel	Quinn		Trish	Gibbs	
20 Jan		Grace	Ken	Robbi	е	Joe	Morrisse	у
	SERVERS			-		0 1		
12 Jan 19 Jan	Molly Charlotte		nerson		lla	Cassidy Cassidy		
19 Jan Charlotte McPherson Imogen Cassidy POWER POINT PRESENTERS								
12 Jan	Dianne	Carey						
19 Jan	Peter	Cleary						
HOSPIT	ALITY							
12 Jan	Kay	Percev	al					
19 Jan	Trish	Gibbs	Gibbs Lourdes O'Keefe					
CARE G							-	
14 Jan	Margaret Pat			Paulin		Abbou	(Group	1)
21 Jan	Sr	Longley Aileen	<i>y</i>	Sr		Abbey Macrina	(Group (Group	2) 3)
	Marie	Polyak		Irene		Carr	(Group	4)
ALTAR CLEANERS								
12 Jan								
19 Jan	Geraldine	e Doyle	e					

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Thu: St Anthony of Egypt

The Baptism of the Lord

Today's Gospel tells us that the people were 'filled with expectation'. It sounds like a very exciting time as they wonder who this prophet John could be. John must have been a very dynamic and inspiring preacher as the people speculated if he were the one they had been waiting for. He uses all of this attention for one purpose: to point people to Jesus. There are many people in our own lives who have pointed us towards Jesus, perhaps by an invitation to an event or a retreat or by sharing a reflection with us at just the right time. In them, we see something special and interesting that makes us wonder in our hearts and seek a little further. They are the John the Baptists in our lives, pointing us towards the Lord like signposts along the way.

John humbly responds to the people by saying: 'One who is more powerful than I is coming.' He emphasises that it is He who will really set their hearts on fire. While the words concerning 'winnowing forks' seem harsh, we might interpret them as speaking of God's power to transform our lives through Jesus. When Jesus enters into the narrative, Luke emphasises that He is at prayer, and it is then that this powerful experience of God occurs. A nice meditation for today is to repeat the last sentence of today's Gospel, imagining God speaking these words to you: 'You are my Daughter/Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

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Thomas Merton

A young man once described his experience of sinking into insanity. He was a very bright university student, but he had abandoned his studies in favor of nightclubs and pornography. One night he retired to a hotel room. As he lay in bed, the window appeared to expand until it reached the floor. He heard a mocking voice in his mind saying, "What if you threw yourself out of that window?" The young man wrote: "Now my life was dominated by something I had never known before: fear. It was humiliating, this strange self-conscious watchfulness. It was a humiliation I had deserved more than I knew. I had refused to pay attention to the moral laws upon which all vitality and sanity depend." Well, this young man did begin to pay attention to the moral law. He began to put his life in order - and to experience inner peace. He eventually entered the Catholic Church and went on to become one of the most famous monks of the twentieth century. His name is Thomas Merton. Today's Gospel on Jesus' baptism should challenge us, too, to examine whether we are keeping our Baptismal promises.

> (Fr. Phil Bloom) Indian Bishops Conference

Three times

Too many people come to Church three times primarily. They're baptized, they get married, and they have their funeral service at the Church. The first time they throw water on you, the second time rice, the third time dirt!

"Have I been "pasteurized?"

In a Dennis the Menace cartoon, after attending a baptism Dennis asks the question, "Have I been "pasteurized?" We've all been pasteurized. We have put on Christ. In Him we have been baptized. Alleluia, Alleluia.