



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	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 9:30am – 3:30pm	

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

2nd & 3rd February 2019



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: I will sing of your salvation.

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your justice rescue me, free me: pay heed to me and save me. **R**

Be a rock where I can take refuge, a mighty stronghold to save me; for you are my rock, my stronghold. Free me from the hand of the wicked. **R**

It is you, O Lord, who are my hope, my trust, O Lord, since my youth. On you I have leaned from my birth, from my mother's womb you have been my help. **R**

My lips will tell of your justice and day by day of your help. O God, you have taught me from my youth and I proclaim your wonders still. **R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

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

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

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/Warminston

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

Tue: St Agatha
Wed: St Paul Miki & Companions

- Pope Francis is visiting the UAE this weekend. He is the first pope to celebrate an open-air Mass on the Arabian peninsula, which is due to be attended by up to 135,000 at the Zayed Sports City Stadium. This will be the largest act of Christian worship in the Arab world ever.
- We now have low-gluten breads for those parishioners who have coeliac disease. Tarrawarra doesn't guarantee completely gluten-free, but it is about one part per million. Please let me know before Mass if you require a low-gluten bread.
- This Tuesday, 5th February, St. Augustine's Finance Committee will meet at 5:30pm. If you have issues you would like discussed, please speak with a member.
- Wednesday, 6th February, parishioners are encouraged to attend the gathering to discuss topics you would like given priority at the Plenary Council 2020, at the Hartigan Centre.
- School is back and seems to have gone smoothly at Mount Carmel. The Opening School Mass will be held Thursday 14th February, 9:45am. There are four students travelling to Trinity College, Goulburn, the bus leaving Mount Carmel at 7:30am.
- Just a reminder to members of St. Augustine's PPC. Our first meeting for 2019 will be held on the 13th February at 7:30pm.
- Next Saturday after baptisms, I will join Kenneth and Paula Beaton who will be preparing couples for marriage. Please keep this important apostolate in your prayers.

This year **Project Compassion** commences on Ash Wednesday 6th March.

Each Lent Caritas launches its Project Compassion appeal – a practical way of bringing to life our campaign of Christian service for thousands of Australians in parishes, schools and the community by raising funds and awareness for the work of Caritas.

Envelopes and boxes are used to remind us each day that we are responsible for sharing what we have with others. This year's Project Compassion showcases the many ways Caritas works around the world with local partners to offer hope to people most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice. For the six weeks of Lent, a new story is highlighted. In week one we hear from 12 year old Thandolwayo from Zimbabwe.

Twelve-year-old Thandolwayo would walk seven kilometres each day to collect contaminated water for her family. It looked like she would never realise her hope of finishing her education and becoming a nurse, until a Caritas Australia supported project created access to clean water helping Thandolwayo to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope.

The sign of God's love is the cross. Jesus did not hate those who hated him; he loved them. Jesus did not reject those who rejected him: he forgave them. Jesus did not shun those who shunned him: he embraced them. Jesus did not walk away from those who walked away from him: he died for them.

Passing the buck

One of our favorite national pastimes is "*passing the buck*". We have all played this game of letting someone else do what we should be doing, of handing on a job, a responsibility, or an assignment. We particularly like to pass the buck when it comes to listening to sermons. We think that some of the best homilies, retreats, conferences and lectures we hear are "meant for someone else." We listen and say: "That's good advice for my kids," "My neighbors should have heard this homily," or "That's aimed at my office staff," and so on. And that is precisely what Jesus' hometown people did. They did not acknowledge that they were poor, blind or prisoners who needed a savior and liberator. Hence, they not only rejected Jesus and His "liberation theology," but also tried to eliminate him from the world as their ancestors had killed the prophets sent to them by God.

Indian Bishop's Conference

Liberation for Dalits through Jesus

High castes represent a small minority in India, some 10-15% of the population, yet they dominated Indian society in much the same way whites ruled South Africa during the official period of Apartheid. For centuries, Indian society lived under a rigid caste system imposed by the high caste Hindus in which each person was born into a set social group. People who were born into the highest social group, or caste, used to receive the benefits of honor respect and privileges. Then, there are different levels, or castes, below this. A person's caste at birth determined what job he could have, whom he could marry, and what rights he had in his society. On the very lowest rungs of society were the Dalits, whose name actually means "broken, crushed." The Dalits were the targets of violence and discrimination in Indian society for long time. Fortunately, formal discrimination no longer exists under the new law. But now, the Dalits face persecution for another reason: their Faith. Nearly 70% of Indian Christians are Dalits. The reserved 22.5 percent of all government and semi-government jobs, including seats in Parliament and state legislatures, is available only to Dalits who follow Hinduism, Buddhism and Sikhism, but Dalit Christians and Muslims are not protected as castes under Indian Reservation policy. The legal reason is that there is caste system in Christianity and Islam. The Christian Faith was quite attractive to the Dalits. They chose to follow Christ even when they knew the consequences they might face including the denial of free education and job reservation given to Hindu Dalits. Why would the Hindu Dalits, who were targets of discrimination and abuse, invite more such treatment by becoming Christians? Because in Christ, they meet a God of liberation Who loves and lifts up those whom others would tear down. His heart is with those who suffer. He cares about those who are hurting, who are helpless, who are brokenhearted, who are in bondage. They consider Jesus as their Divine liberator, and God of justice. [Timothy Merrill, "Giving Flesh to the Word," *Homiletics*, (July-August 1999).]

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This is why John Chrysostom can say, 'Out of long suffering love hears all things, whether they are burdensome or grievous, whether insults, lashes or even death'. For the Christian, love is not a feeling but an action.



URGENT

A number of men (5-6) are required for 1 hour to bring chairs up from the hall to be stored at the Hartigan Centre.

When: 9:00am Monday morning 4th February.

Contact: Bob Nash 0418 691 423 or see him after Mass.

TWO ORGANS, TWO ORGANISTS – 10th FEBRUARY

Rising star performers Samuel Giddy and Jonathan Lee will be playing a variety of classical music from baroque to contemporary at The Lovat Chapel.

Performances will be on the restored historic Taylor pipe organ, and a locally built chamber pipe organ.

Music will include works by JS Bach, Bach/Vivaldi, Louis Vierne, John Stanley, Antonio Soler, Bach/Ernst and others.

When: Sunday 10th February

Time: 2:30pm

Where: Lovat Chapel, Meehan Street, Yass

Tickets: \$20 at the door; Concession \$15

Enquiries: 0411 232 317

Light refreshments afterwards.

Proceeds to the Performers and the Yass Hartigan Centre.



Next weekend we welcome into our Church community:

Ivie Rose	child of	Correy & Kimberly
Lola Rose	child of	Philip & Samantha

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Catholic Parish of St. Augustine's, Yass, invites children baptised in the Catholic tradition, Year 3 or older, to continue their journey in faith by preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for their First Holy Communion. If you believe your child is ready to take this next step and you are prepared to be involved in the journey, please enrol your child at St. Augustine's Presbytery on Wednesday 6th March or Thursday 7th March between 5:00-6:00pm.

For further details and to print an enrolment form please visit the parish website www.staug-yass.org.au/wp/sacraments or contact Dianne Carey (Sacramental Team Leader) on 0419 276 889.

CALL TO CONNECT

The prayer gathering 'Call To Connect' next meeting will be on Tuesday 5th February at 2:30pm.

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.



CARITAS KITCHEN

JOIN US to raise awareness and funds for Project Compassion

With Special guest speaker: Mugambi Paul Mwenda

Paul is a passionate advocate for both disability and human rights.

When: Thursday 7th March 2019 at 6:30pm

Where: St. Christopher's Pastoral Centre 55 Franklin Street, Forrest

Register via email to: Lulu Mitshabu— lulum@caritas.org.au or phone 0437295327 or

Donate online <https://lent.caritas.org.au/canberracaritaskitchen>

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND – 26th – 28th APRIL

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a *Marriage Enrichment* experience for married couples – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage!

Weekend date: 26th – 28th April at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW

Bookings online at www.wmme.org.au or Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

DESERT CREEK HOUSE PROGRAM 2019

Desert Creek House is:

- A place for prayer and contemplation, in a search for unity.
- A place for a simple way of life, in a search for harmony with nature.
- A place for sharing and community, in a search for reciprocity.

Main activities this year:

- 11 regular meditation (weekends on the second Saturday of the month)
- 4 community days
- 2 meditation retreats – Insight Meditation Group (8th – 13th March, 16th – 25th August)
- 4 workshops examining who we are and how we live (22nd – 24th February, 24th – 26th May, 27th – 29th September, 22nd – 24th November)

Phone: (02) 6492 8498

Email: desertcreek@skymesh.com.au

Website: www.desertcreekhouse.com.au

MUSIC PRACTICE TIME

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

CHANGING OR CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS?

Please notify the Parish Office of any changes to your address/phone number.

Also, any new parishioners to the parish please complete a New Parishioner Information Card located at the rear of the church. This ensures our parish database is up to date.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

Jesus fulfilled the ideal of love Paul speaks about. He was never in a hurry, and was always kindness itself. He never envied anybody, and never boasted about himself. He was never snobbish, or rude, or selfish. He did not take offence easily, nor did he keep on talking about the wrong things that other people did. He preferred to remember the good things and to rejoice in them. He was tough - he could face anything. And he never lost trust in God or in people. He never lost hope; he never gave in. He never stopped loving.

OLD LINTON MEDICAL PRACTICE

Dr Ray Burn, Dr Hanna Burn-Petersen
Dr Shyama Gonakumbura
Dr Ann Stephenson – Psychiatrist
Sue Leitner – Foot Nurse

Monday - Friday

9:00 am – 5:00 pm (by appointment)

(Closed for lunch 1pm – 2pm)

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SICK OR HOUSEBOUND

Do you know someone who would like the Blessed Eucharist taken to them on Sundays?

To have a Special Minister visit contact the Parish Office on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays between 9:00am and 4:00 pm.



PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



Recently Deceased

Sr. Patricia Osborne, Helen Burt, Margaret Horne and Noel Maher.

Prayers for

Tony Cooke, Geoffrey Sykes and Patrick Fisher.

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

Barbara McKeown (1/2), Roger Vanden Bulk (1/2), Helaine Hallahan (1/2), Nola Cooke (5/2), Eileen Power (7/2), Erzsike Devrieze (10/2), Catherine Ryan (13/2), Bill McManus (15/2), Jakob Oakley (19/2), Bill Patrick (20/2), Denis Maher (20/2), Betty Carey (20/2), Isabella Polyak (22/2), Bruce Simpson (23/2), Muriel Hobday (23/2), Robert Ryan (23/2), Mary Morris (24/2), Olive Dyball (25/2), Allan Field (25/2), Harry Cooke (25/2), Reginald Bainbridge (26/2), John Murphy (28/2), Thomas Barber (28/2) and Marija Ivanisevic (28/2).

Always In Our Hearts Loved and Remembered

ROSTERS

LITURGY

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

2 Feb	Tom	Considine	1	Dianne	Carey	2
	Morton	Family	3	Paul	Trezise	4
9 Feb	Rod	Perceval	1	Russell	Hill	2
	Hill	Family	3	Allan	Hackett	4

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

2 Feb	Peter	Water	Michael Van Wanrooy	Trish	Gibbs
9 Feb	Kay	Perceval	Steve Scroope	Joe	Morrissey

VISITS

3 Feb	Peter	Water	Michael Van Wanrooy	Trish	Gibbs
10 Feb	Kay	Perceval	Steve Scroope	Joe	Morrissey

ALTAR SERVERS

2 Feb	Ella	Broers	Fergus	Green
9 Feb	Grace & Charlie Miller			

POWER POINT PRESENTERS

2 Feb	Peter	Gibbs
9 Feb	Patrick	O'Connell

HOSPITALITY

2 Feb	Frank & Kath	Grace
9 Feb	The Cleary Family	

CARE GROUP

4 Feb	Helen	Murphy	Maureen	Collins	(Group 7)
	Lourdes	O'Keefe	Edith	Buhagair	(Group 8)
11 Feb	Jeanette	Patmore	Maureen	Grieves	(Group 9)
	Kay	Perceval	Coral	Carroll	(Group 10)

ALTAR CLEANERS

2 Feb	Coral	Carroll
9 Feb	Jane	Hingston

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

First Reading

Isaiah volunteers to speak for the Lord.

Is 6:1-8

Second Reading

Paul recounts the chronology of Christ.

1 Cor 15:1-11

Gospel

An abundance of fish are caught by Simon.

Lk 5:1-11

Please reflect on these readings over the coming week

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