



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	Sarah	Johnston
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>	

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD – YEAR C

13th & 14th April 2019



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.'

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Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones.

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They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me!

R

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.'

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death

dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high

and gave him a name above all other names.

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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

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

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



Please be aware, the Vigil Mass next Saturday begins at 6:30pm. Due to the three adult baptisms of Wendy Caire, Trish Chipangura and Georgia Whitaker, the ceremony will take at least one and a half hours. The Vigil is the highlight of our liturgical year and a wonderful celebration, steeped in ancient ritual. The Sacred Paschal Triduum begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper, Thursday 7pm, and concludes at the end of the Vigil.

We are in the process of revamping youth activities in our communities. For the benefit of upper primary, Mount Carmel School would like our community to invest in the CYSMA program, beginning in term three.

Our townhouse is vacant, so if you know of a suitable tenant, please contact Yass Valley Property.

HOLY WEEK

<i>Monday</i>	Mass of the Chrism at St. Christopher's Cathedral, 7:30pm
<i>Tuesday</i>	St. Augustine's, 5:30pm
<i>Wednesday</i>	St. Augustine's, 5:30pm (Anointing Mass for the sick and frail)
<i>Thursday</i>	Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm
<i>Friday</i>	Stations of the Cross, Murrumbateman and Gunning, 10:30am
St.	Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 3pm, Augustine's
<i>Saturday</i>	Easter Vigil, St. Augustine's, 6:30pm
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	St. Francis Xavier, 8:15am St. Augustine's, 10am

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Penance in Holy Week

<i>Thursday</i>	8:30am-9:00 am, 5:00 - 5:30pm
<i>Friday</i>	8:30-9:00am, and after the Celebration of the Lord's Passion
<i>Saturday</i>	9:00 - 9:30am

Mercy ...

Mercy is the other hand of compassion. We feel for another and we are drawn to take their part. We really and deeply care - as the good thief did for Jesus. "Blessed are the merciful," Jesus said to the crowd, "for they shall obtain mercy," again as the good thief did. Ponder the virtue of mercy today and try to extend it to anyone around you who is suffering or in need.

On this Palm Sunday, Jesus, you are greeted by the crowd with songs of joy. May I too greet you with love and praise. The crowd that cheered you, however, turned against you on Good Friday. May I be your loyal follower in good times and in bad. Hosanna, Jesus, I offer praise to you, may I give you joy in all that I do today and during this Holy Week.

Have mercy on me when I fall.

Amen.

Parish Finance Committee Members:

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

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Annabelle O'Connell (<i>Youth</i>)	Peter	Clery (<i>Liturgy</i>)
Bryan Coleborne (<i>Ecumenism</i>)	Michael	Green (<i>School</i>)
Genevieve Colbert (<i>Education</i>)	Lourdes	O'Keefe (<i>Social</i>)
Bob Nash (<i>Maintenance</i>)	Michael	Van Wanrooy (<i>Welfare</i>)
<i>Ex Officio Member: Fr Mick Burke</i>	Sarah	Johnston (<i>Social Justice</i>)

It's Not the Persecution - It's the Response

For several years I attended a unique Good Friday service in Melbourne. It was a prayer walk through downtown. At several stops along the way, we listened while speakers talked about places in our world where people still experience suffering and death. They talked about how poverty strips people of their dignity, about governments that use torture to destroy people's spirit, and about the countless people each year who face execution.

You know, the "Passion" really started a long time before Jesus. It started the first time in history one person persecuted another. And it has continued without pause since Jesus himself suffered and died.

So where can we find hope if history seems so filled with pain and persecution? We can find hope in the Passion of Jesus. Ultimately, Jesus' Passion isn't about suffering and persecution. The Passion is about Jesus' response.

Focus this Holy Week on Jesus' response to the people in his life - those who love him and those who reject him. He was fully human. Many scholars argue that Jesus didn't know he would be resurrected. Just like us, Jesus did not have complete certainty about what would happen to him after his death.

So watch this man during Holy Week. Despite his fear, uncertainty, and agony, he focuses on God and others. Through God's power he offers the last hours of his life as a lesson of how his friends and followers can find meaning in every hour of their lives.

Then focus on today's world. Yes, Jesus' Passion continues. But focus on how God's power still inspires people to be courageous. Scan the newspapers; you will find stories about people throughout the world who brave persecution and suffering to help others. Look around your school, church, or family; you will see people who sacrifice their lives for others. Go to a nursing home or hospital; you will meet people who still love despite tremendous suffering.

Jesus' death was not that unusual. Our world has been filled with suffering and pain since the first human beings made their appearance. But Jesus' response was unusual. His response made God's power even more available for Christians who seek to respond like him. And history is filled with those heroes. Will you join their number?

Who in your life responds to pain or persecution with the same love, courage, and faith that Jesus had in his last hours?

GPBS eNews

If you would like to make a donation toward our ongoing work in Timor Leste, bank details are as follows:

BSB:	062 786
Account number:	0000 28521
Account Name:	Timor Leste
Reference:	T.L. Donation

PLEASE NOTE

There is a change of time for the Easter Altar cleaning on Wednesday, 17th April.

Please come at 12:30pm if you can help.

Thank you

Dear Women of the Parish,

One of the top three concerns that came out of our parish plenary survey was about the role of women in the Church. After further discussion at our parish plenary meetings there was consensus that much could be done at parish level to empower and support women. The Parish Pastoral Council would like to find out what you want to see happening in this parish for women. We would be grateful if you could complete the following questionnaire to help us determine what action for supporting and empowering women would be most useful.

Your questionnaire response is anonymous and will only take 5 minutes to complete.

To complete the survey visit

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LXKT2MJ>

Paper copies will be made available for those women who are unable to access the online version.

Thank you.

PROJECT COMPASSION



Nguyet is a teenager living with a disability in a small town in Vietnam. Living with a disability was challenging, her early years were subdued and solitary. Since featuring in Project Compassion 2017 Nguyet has successfully built her own business, a dream that has become a reality with the support of Caritas Australia. Connected to the world in new ways,

Nguyet has become independent, an important member of her community and has great hope for her future.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and give children living with disabilities in Vietnam the opportunity for an education and inclusion in their community.

Lives change when we all give 100%! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes (envelopes available at the back of the church), by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

CHRISM MASS – 15th APRIL

Join the Archbishop and the Clergy of the Archdiocese on Monday 15th April at 7:30pm in St Christopher's Cathedral, Forrest for this most important Holy Week ceremony.

It is this Mass that the Holy Oils used in the various Sacramental Rites of the Church are blessed and consecrated.

Everyone is most welcome.

Concerned Catholics of Canberra-Goulburn will host a public forum on Tuesday 16th April at 7:30pm.

Robert Fitzgerald AM will address the topic: *"Governance for our Church – out of hope, not fear – exploring the lessons of the Royal Commission and beyond, for the future governance, leadership and culture of the Catholic Church and its people"*.

Venue: Australian Centre for Christianity & Culture, 55 Blackall Street, Barton. Overnight billeting can be arranged for people from regional and rural areas (contact rod@rodpage.com).

Further details: www.concernedcatholicscanberra.org

THE WAY OF THE CROSS - GOOD FRIDAY

The Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture will host the Good Friday Stations of the Cross liturgy on Friday the 19th April, 2019 at 11:00am.

The service will be held at the Chapel and the grounds of the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture.



YOU ARE CALLED TO MISSION

Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. Overseas Catholic communities are inviting you to immerse yourself for 1 to 2 years.

If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, you can give opportunity by sharing them with our global family!

Come to the Palms Meet & Greet:

When: Saturday 4th May at 11:30am

Where: King O'Malley's Pub, 131 City Walk, Civic, Canberra

FILM SCREENING: THE INSULT – 29th MAY

As part of National Reconciliation Week, the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture will be hosting a film screening of the movie *The Insult* which demonstrates reconciliation and forgiveness in a powerful and compelling way.

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Chapel at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture

Donation: Gold coin

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY – 2nd to 9th JUNE

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Australia will be observed from 2nd – 9th June 2019 in the week between Ascension and Pentecost. The theme is "Justice and only justice, you shall pursue" (Deuteronomy 16.18-20) The National Council of Churches of Australia has some resources on its website including a poster, reflections, notes for organisers and worship resources.

See its website for more details.

ECUMENICS ROUNDTABLE WITH RT. REV'D DR GEEVARGHESE COORILOS – 25th JUNE

The Centre for Ecumenical Studies at the ACC&C presents this ecumenical roundtable with Special guest speaker Rt. Rev'd Dr Geevarghese Coorilos.

He is Moderator of the World Council of Churches Communion on World Mission and Evangelism; Metropolitan of Niranam Diocese of Malankara Jacobite Syriac Orthodox Church; President of Kerala Council of Churches.

He will present the following topics: Ecumenism and public theology in a multi religious context and Orthodoxy in diaspora communities today: opportunities and challenges.

Time: 10:30am - 4:00pm

Location: Chambers Pavilion at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture

Address: 15 Blackall Street, Barton

Registration: acc-c@csu.edu.au

COMMUNION REFLECTION

Walking on wounded feet

The crowd cheered him,
 'Blessings on him,' they roared,
 waving flags of palm,
 'For he comes to us in God's name.'
 And a few days later they cheered again,
 this time for his death,
 and blessings on a public robber, Barrabas.

A fickle people.

We wonder why?
 What changed them?

Like Peter later,
 they would say,
 'I don't know the man,'
 for the man they saw later in the week
 was, in their eyes, a different man.

The king had become a spectacle,
 bloodied, mocked, rejected.
 Who wants a leader like that?

Jesus didn't want acclamation,
 he had been trying to say all along
 that he was a different type of king.

And so he chose a donkey,
 as his chariot.

They saw their own hopes
 for a leader who would overthrow their oppressors,
 and didn't see the real Jesus.

The leadership of Jesus has lasted longer
 than any of the public leadership of the time,
 because he was a king of love and compassion,
 and walked the way of the cross –
 carried by his wounded feet and the help of a friend,
 and guided by the hand of God, his Father.

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - YEAR C

First Reading *Acts 10:34. 37-43*

Peter recounts the deeds of Jesus.

Second Reading *Col 3:1-4*

Set your heart on the greater gifts.

Gospel *Jn 20:1-9*

Mary Magdalene finds the tomb empty, Peter sees and believes.

Please reflect on these readings over the coming week

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.

Thankyou.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



Recently Deceased

Grace Stansfield, Sr Marietta Drew, Michael Heffernan,
 Craig Bell and Joseph Vu Van Hung.

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

*Gail Hayward (1/4), Patricia Cooke (3/4),
 Joan Darmody (5/4), Denise Meritt-Bell (7/4),
 Raymond Waters (8/4), Faye Freebody (8/4),
 Nancy Carey (9/4), May Luchetti (10/4), Joanne Stuart (10/4),
 Warwick O'Brien (11/4), Sam Turner (12/4), Jack Davis (12/4),
 Karen Maher (14/4), Alice Pinferi (15/4), Beverly Wales (15/4),
 Joan Carey (16/4), Sr Cora Carey (16/4),
 Ray Hamilton-Smith (16/4), Thomas Palmer (17/4),
 Gerry Winter (18/4), Cameron Croker (18/4), Noel Todd (19/4),
 Veronica Wade (19/4), Carmel O'Brien (21/4),
 Glen Murphy (21/4), Agnes Watson (23/4),
 Sophie Rowe (24/4), Henry Dyball (24/4),
 Joe Monteleone (26/4), Stella McNally (28/4)
 and Dulcie Weekes (30/4).*

Always In Our Hearts Loved and Remembered

ROSTERS

LITURGY

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

13 Apr PALM SUNDAY EASTER ROSTER 1, 2, 3, 4
 20 Apr EASTER ROSTER 1, 2, 3, 4

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

13 Apr Frank Grace Noel Quinn Trish Gibbs
 20 Apr Joe Buhagiar Kath Luchetti Elizabeth Liew

VISITS

14 Apr Frank Grace Noel Quinn Trish Gibbs
 21 Apr ACOLYTES

ALTAR SERVERS

13 Apr EASTER ROSTER 20 Apr EASTER ROSTER

POWER POINT PRESENTERS

13 Apr PALM SUNDAY EASTER ROSTER 20 Apr EASTER ROSTER

HOSPITALITY

13 Apr TBA 13 Apr Michael & Helen Van Wanrooy

CARE GROUP

15 Apr Sr Aileen Sr Macrina (Group 3)
 Marie Polyak Irene Carr (Group 4)
 22 Apr Helen Van Wanrooy Suzanne Hawkes (Group 5)
 Kath Turner Shirley Williamson (Group 6)

ALTAR CLEANERS

13 Apr Helen Murphy
 17 Apr EASTER CLEAN 12:30PM PLEASE COME IF YOU CAN
 28 Apr Kath Moore

PATRICK'S BUTCHERY

QUALITY

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 Functions etc



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