



Historic Parish of St Augustine, Yass

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

Established: 1838

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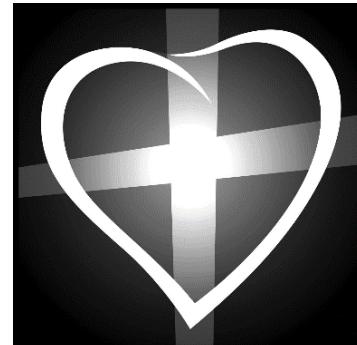
ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH VISION STATEMENT

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
	Monday and Wednesday 9:00am – 3:00pm	
Parish Bulletin	Bianca	Nash
	Friday 9:30am – 3:30pm	

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR C

18th & 19th May 2019



SUNDAY MASSES:

Yass:	St Augustine	
Vigil Saturday		6:00 pm
Gunning:	St Francis Xavier	
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: Uniting Church Hall		
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: Our Lady of the Rosary		
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/Warmington

4 th Tues (monthly)	Yass	11:00 am
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.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **R**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. **R**

Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. **R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.

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

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty,
alleluia.

Thoughts from the Presbytery



FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Fri: Our Lady, Help of Christians

I wouldn't do that for a million dollars.

One day, as St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa, 1910-1997) and her Missionaries of Charity were tending to the poorest of the poor on the streets of Calcutta, they happened across a man lying in the gutter, very near death. He was filthy, dressed in little more than a rag and flies swarmed around his body. Immediately, Mother Teresa embraced him, spoke to him softly and began to pick out the maggots that were nesting in his flesh. A passerby was repulsed by the sight of the man and exclaimed to Mother Teresa, "I wouldn't do that for a million dollars." Her response was immediate, "Neither would I!" Obviously, monetary gain did not motivate the diminutive woman known as the Saint of Calcutta; love did. In her writings, Mother Teresa frequently affirmed the motivating power of love. Quoting Jesus in today's Gospel, she wrote, "Jesus said, 'Love one another. Such as my love has been for you, so must your love be for each other.'" She continued, "We must grow in love, and to do this we must go on loving and loving and giving and giving until it hurts - the way Jesus did. Do ordinary things with extraordinary love: little things, like caring for the sick and the homeless, the lonely and the unwanted, washing and cleaning for them." Elsewhere, Mother Teresa remarked that the greatest disease in the West today is not tuberculosis, leprosy or even A.I.D.S.; it is being unwanted, uncared for, unloved. That she did her part in trying to "cure" this disease was attested in everything she did and in every word she said. (*Sanchez Files*)

Indian Bishops Conference

Everyday Love

Jesus said to love one another, and each of us tries in small ways to do just that. It is a given that we strive to love parents, siblings, spouses, children, friends. But even to those outside our intimate circles we do our best - on a good day - to offer simple courtesies and acts of kindness. We send a note of thanks to a writer who moved us, drop of a bunch of flowers to some do-gooder whom we felt deserved recognition, give an acquaintance an unexpected gift that we knew they'd really enjoy, hold the lift for someone who's rushing to catch it.

Extending ourselves in such innocent and selfless ways makes us feel good because we know we've made someone else feel good. We've let another person know that they have worth, that they are remembered, and most of all, that they are loved.

Now think of the small acts of kindness directed toward you by strangers or acquaintances. Someone offers you a seat on the bus when you're loaded down with packages, a co-worker runs an errand for you when you're having a particularly bad day, a driver lets you pass so you don't miss your exit, a colleague compliments you on your smile. These tender mercies signal to us that we, too, have worth, that we are remembered, and, above all, that we are loved. Thus God is glorified daily.

GPBS eNews

Parish Finance Committee Members:

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

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

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

Love Your Friends Through Their Flaws

I have a bad temper and a big mouth. And when they work together, it's not pretty. Unfortunately, that combination has caused me trouble and others pain over the years.

As I have worked on my relationship with Christ, my temper and mouth have caused fewer problems for everyone. But that's greatly due to my family and friends. They have challenged me – sometimes strongly – to be more patient and to watch my mouth. They've done that by pulling me aside in tense moments and by sitting me down after arguments. They've even done that by teasing me and making me laugh at myself. To sum it up, they've done that by loving me like Jesus loved his disciples.

That's Jesus' challenge to all Christians in this week's Gospel: Love one another as Jesus loved his first followers. Remember the Gospel stories. The Apostles weren't saints. The Gospel shows Jesus constantly correcting them. He catches them fighting with each other, ignoring hungry people who need their help, and sending sick people away who need healing. But through it all, he stands by them. He believes in their goodness and always tries to bring it out by helping them become better people. Why? Because he knew the world would be a better place if they continued to change and grow.

We can do the same thing for fellow Christians. We need to gently challenge one another to become better people while at the same time recognising their own flaws. Real loyalty means pointing out a friend's mistakes and standing by that friend while he or she works to grow. People who feel accepted despite their flaws are more likely to change into happier and holier people. That's what has happened in my life.

And in the end, that's what the world needs – happier and holier people. By loving our sisters and brothers the way Jesus loved his followers, you're changing the world.

GPBS eNews

Life messages:

1) Let us learn to love ourselves so that we may learn to love each other. The old commandment (*Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18*) says: "*Love your neighbor as yourself.*" We cannot learn to cherish others and care for them if we have never learned to do the same for ourselves. We live in a world that denies our basic human worth. How do we reclaim our basic worth? We can become whole and holy only when we learn to love ourselves properly, acknowledging the fact that we are children of God and that the Triune God resides in our souls, making our bodies the "*temple of the Holy Spirit.*"

2) Let us love others in our daily lives: We are asked to love as Jesus loved, in the ordinary course of our lives. We love others by responding to their everyday needs with love and compassion. We love others by comforting and protecting those who have experienced loss. We love others by serving others in every possible way no matter how small, seeing the face of Jesus in them. We love others by forgiving rather than condemning, by challenging rather than condoning. Finally, we love others by sacrificially sharing our time, talents and blessings with them.

Indian Bishops Conference

SOCIAL EVENT – 25th MAY

A soup and pizza night will be held after Mass to celebrate our patron Our Lady, Help of Christians. Genevieve Colbert will give a 10 minute talk about Our Lady.

Tea, coffee, soft drinks will be provided. Gluten free pizza will also be available.

NUMBERS ARE NECESSARY FOR CATERING PURPOSES.

Where: Hartigan Centre

Cost: \$8 per person

RSVP: 20th MAY, LOURDES 0413 096 413

FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF CHILDREN RECEIVING FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

You may be thinking about appropriate gifts to give to celebrate this occasion. The Vinnies store carries a small range of suitable cards and gifts, such as rosary beads and pens. Alternatively, the Catholic bookshop at 55 Franklin Street, Forrest in Canberra, carries a wide range of suitable items. It is open weekdays 9:30 am – 5:00 pm and Saturdays 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.

CALL TO CONNECT

The prayer gathering 'Call To Connect' next meeting will be on Tuesday 21st May at 2:30pm.

LEARING OF OTHER FAITHS

A series of talks on Sunday afternoons on themes of faith, belief and religious practice.

Arranged by St. Augustine's Parish in conjunction with Yass Ministers.

Robyn Cadwallader

The award-winning Australian author Robyn Cadwallader will speak on her highly-acclaimed novel *The Anchoress*, which was published by Faber and Faber in London in 2016. The novel is set in the late medieval world and explores the life of seventeen-year old Sarah, who chooses to become an anchoress, a holy woman shut away in a small cell, measuring seven paces by nine, at the side of the village church. The novel exists in the context of the spiritual writing of the anchoress Julian of Norwich, whose *Revelations of Divine Love*, c.1395, is considered to be the first book in the English language to have been written by a woman.

Where: The Lovat Chapel, Meehan St, Yass

Time: 2:00 for 2:30

When: Sunday, 23rd June 2019

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May 27 – June 2

Presenter: Fr Aloysius Rego, OCD

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A time of reflection and prayer on your own spiritual journey with the help of a director.

DESERT CREEK HOUSE WORKSHOP – 24th TO 26th MAY

Going Deeper: Money, Work, Generosity 2

Workshop: Friday 24th May 5:00pm to Sunday 26th May 9:00am

Facilitator: Yves de Morsier

WOMEN'S TWILIGHT RETREAT – 29th MAY

From 6:00pm to 8:30pm in the Haydon Hall, St Christopher's Pastoral Centre Manuka.

Cost: \$15 at the door and dinner is included.

Billeting is available for any regional women wanting to attend the Retreat which is being hosted by the Disciples of Jesus Community.

Register at <https://bit.ly/TwilightRetreat>

Enquiries: Cathy Madsen cathcarlmadsen@gmail.com 0422 117 210

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

IMAGES OF THE DIVINE, ICONOGRAPHY EXHIBITION – 31st MAY to 2nd JUNE

From 31st May to 2nd June "Images of The Divine" will be on exhibit at St Christopher's Pastoral Centre, Haydon Hall, Manuka.

Free admission.

31st May 5:00pm to 7:30pm

1st June 9:00am to 6:00pm

2nd June 9:00am to 4:30pm.

Inquiries: Sue Orchison, 0421 028 331, sue.orchison@gmail.com

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.

WINTER WOOLLIES STALL – 13th JUNE

Calvary Public Hospital Auxiliary is holding a Winter Woollies Stall from 8:00am to 4:00pm.

This is a one-day opportunity to purchase hand-made scarves, rugs, jumpers and more at bargain prices.

All proceeds will go towards the purchase of equipment for Calvary Public Hospital patients and staff.

Venue: foyer, Calvary Public Hospital, Hayden Drive, Bruce.

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.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

Loving God,
the promise of the new Jerusalem
is your home among us.
Already in the new commandment of love
you have begun to make all things new.
As Jesus loved us, so we would love,
that in the love we have for one another
a new heaven and a new earth may dawn.
We ask this through the Lord Jesus,
our Passover and our Peace,
who loves and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.

READINGS NEXT WEEK: SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C

First Reading

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

The Apostles decide not to burden the Gentiles unnecessarily.

Second Reading

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23

An angel shows John the new Jerusalem.

Gospel

Jn 14: 23-29

Jesus leaves peace as his farewell.

Please reflect on these readings over the coming week

CALVARY PUBLIC HOSPITAL AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

New members are urgently needed to assist with the Auxiliary's fund raising activities

The Auxiliary holds events such as book fairs, raffles, plant stalls, cake stalls and more. All funds raised go towards the purchase of equipment for Calvary Public Hospital patients and staff.

To explain the Auxiliary's work, a membership drive will be held on Thursday 30th May, 10:00 – 4:00pm, in the foyer, Calvary Public Hospital, Hayden Drive, Bruce.

Please come along for further information, or ring Daphne Ashley on 0407 835 846

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



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

Thomas Williamson (1/5), Brendan Reardon (2/5),
David Warren (2/5), Herbert Vincent (3/5),
Mary McReynolds (5/5), Vea Teofilo (5/5),
Robert Delbridge (6/5), Maude Baker (6/5),
Bill Smith (7/5), Jennifer Rowan (7/5),
Gwendoline Bayley (8/5), Thomas Horton (10/5),
Kevin Crossley (10/5), Franjo Bambic (12/5),
Bruce McDonald (12/5), Florence Vincent (12/5),
Maureen McGrath (14/5), Rubina Crossley (15/5),
Norman Carey (16/5), Zygmunt Banaszczuk (18/5),
Ian Kennedy (18/5), Cassandra Friend (20/5),
Edward McReynolds (20/5), Esther Tully (25/5),
Thomas Richmond (27/5), Corrina Medway (22/5),
Beryl Downey (23/5), Joseph Barratt (28/5),
Audrey Carey (29/5) & Emse Cregan (31/5).

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 May	Tom Hill	Considine Family	1	Russell Peter	Hill Cleary	2
25 May	Rod Coral	Perceval Carroll	3	Joe Vince	Morrissey Coffey	4

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

18 May	Dianne Frank	Carey Grace	Michael Susan	Van Wanrooy Morrissey	Trish Joe	Gibbs Morrissey
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VISITS

19 May	Dianne Frank	Carey Grace	Michael Susan	Van Wanrooy Morrissey	Trish Joe	Gibbs Morrissey
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ALTAR SERVERS

18 May	Wendy Tallara	Morton Howard	Louis Fergus	Green Green
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POWER POINT PRESENTERS

18 May	Peter	Gibbs	25 May	Patrick	O'Connell
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HOSPITALITY

18 May	Frank & Kath	Grace
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25 May	The Cleary Family
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CARE GROUP

20 May	Margaret Pat	Wilson Longley	Pauline	Abbey	(Group 1)
27 May	Sr Marie	Aileen Polyak	Sr Irene	Macrina Carr	(Group 2)
					(Group 3)
					(Group 4)

ALTAR CLEANERS

18 May	Kay	Perceval	25 May	Coral	Carroll
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