



# 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.

<b>Parish Priest</b>	Father	Mick Burke
<b>Youth Worker</b>	Georgia	Breynard
<b>Chair Finance Committee</b>	Paul	O'Mara
<b>Chair Parish Council</b>	Sarah	Johnston
<b>Principal of the School</b>	Michael	Green
<b>School Community Council</b>	Amber	Maher
<b>Sacramental Team Leader</b>	Dianne	Carey
<b>RCIA</b>	Sister	Aileen
<b>Parish Office</b>	Zuzy	Webster
	<i>Monday and Wednesday 9:00am – 3:00pm</i>	
<b>Parish Bulletin</b>	Bianca	Nash
	<i>Friday 9:30am – 3:30pm</i>	

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY – YEAR C

15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> June 2019



### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Response:** O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

When I see the heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars which you arranged, what is man that you should keep him in mind, mortal man that you care for him? **R**

Yet you have made him little less than a god; with glory and honour you crowned him, gave him power over the works of your hand, put all things under his feet. **R**

All of them, sheep and cattle, yes, even the savage beasts, birds of the air, and fish that make their way through the waters. **R**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:  
to God who is, who was, and who is to come  
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

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

### SUNDAY MASSES:

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

<b>Thomas Eccles Gardens (Linton)</b>		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues (monthly)	Yass	11:00 am

### Horton/Warmington

4 <sup>th</sup> 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

<b>Yass</b>	Saturdays	10:30 am
	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays	12:15 pm

**Gunning Parish** 1<sup>st</sup> 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

**Fri:** Saint Aloysius Gonzaga

**Sat:** Saints John Fisher and Thomas More

Just a reminder, next Sunday the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), young parishioners from both Yass and Gunning will receive their first Holy Communion. Besides the Vigil Mass in Yass, there will be Mass in Gunning on the Sunday at 8:15am and Yass at 10am. The following Sunday is the fifth Sunday, but due to the disruption of times for our celebration of first Holy Communion, Wee Jasper will miss out and the usual times for Yass, Gunning and Murrumbateman will apply.

Upcoming events:

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – meeting of Yass/Gunning Belun, 7pm, at the presbytery. Besides the committee, if you are interested in this outreach to the people of Timor Leste, you are welcome to attend.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> – Mount Carmel Community Council will meet.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> – retreat day for those preparing for first Holy Communion.

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> – refugee week events, see notice in this bulletin.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> – first Holy Communion for 34 young people from Yass and Gunning.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> – learning of other faiths, see notice in this bulletin.

## The God of All

The employees at an international publishing house specialising in encyclopedias and world data were just as one would image - culturally diverse, well-educated, bookish, and respectful of other's beliefs and social mores. For a young Irish Catholic editor it was an eye-opening experience to be working alongside Jews, Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists, Universalist Unitarians, agnostics, atheists, Catholics and Protestants of every stripe, and one self-described Northumberland Danish communist.

Religion was rarely discussed, but, one day while riding in the elevator together, the Hindu librarian and Catholic editor struck up a conversation about world events and political strife in the Middle East. "All these religious wars are so crazy," the Hindu commented. "After all, we all believe in the same God".

We do? the editor thought to herself. Well, not exactly, she concluded. But she had no intention of getting into a theological debate, and the more she thought about it, the more wisdom she uncovered in the librarian's insight. If we accept that there are truths emanating from the source of the universe, and all of us tap into these universal truths in varying ways, then, yes, we all believe in the same God - a God who defines love and who for Christians is love, in flesh and spirit from the beginning, now, and ever more.

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St. Augustine said, "Where there is love, there is the Trinity". He gave the 'analogy of love' with Father—Son—Spirit as Lover, Beloved, and Love flowing between them, respectively. It's said that Augustine walking on the beach contemplating the mystery of the Trinity. While so doing, he

## 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> )
Ex Officio Member: Fr Mick Burke		Sarah Johnston ( <i>Social Justice</i> )

## PRAYER OF A PRIEST-PRISONER

Lord sometimes when I'm locked up in my little concrete box, like a force-fed chicken, I feel desperately alone and long for companionship.

Lord, help me to keep believing you are there.

I give thanks for the friends, new and old, who have held me up through their prayers, letters and visits. For the sprinkling of trustworthy inmate friends with whom I have shared and to whom I've listened, I ask your abundant blessing on them.

In those times when I feel I just can't go on, you have lifted me up, Lord and given me hope to continue on.

When I feel full of fear, the butterflies rioting in my stomach and my bowels trembling at the abuse and the unknown of what awaits me – in the escort truck or the new goal – help me remember, Jesus, how you faced the future in Gethesemane.

As I look around my brother-inmates and see their self-esteem being destroyed, help me to overcome anger and have the courage to reach out to them Lord.

Visits are times when your love Lord is made flesh in my visitors, but it's followed by the humiliation of the strip search. As I stand naked, help me Lord to remember your humiliation before your crucifixion.

I ask Lord that all those I've damaged will be led by you on the way towards forgiveness. Please Lord don't let them destroy themselves through hatred, anger and thoughts of revenge.

I thank you Lord for stripping me of all excuses and defences and helping me face my crimes and giving me the grace of repentance.

When year after year I face the sameness of the meals, the lack of decent preparation and serving in an appropriate fashion, help me Lord to be grateful and remember those who have insufficient to eat.

After the banana shortage to receive an orange for the first time in nine years what a treat Lord – before goal so taken for granted.

Thank you Lord for the experience of being the leper. I can do all things in Him who strengthens me.

*(This reflection was written by a priest who is in prison)*

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on the beach who had dug a hole in the sand and was going out to the sea again and again and bringing some water to pour into the hole. Augustine asked him, "What are you doing?" The boy replied: "I'm going to empty the entire ocean into this hole." "That's impossible, the ocean will not fit in the hole you have made," said Augustine. The boy replied, "And you cannot fit the Trinity in your tiny little brain!"



Next week we welcome into  
our Church community:

Eleni Jannine child of Rudolf & Kalliopi

## REFUGEE WEEK EVENTS – 22<sup>nd</sup> JUNE

There are two significant events planned for the end of Refugee Week at St Augustine's Parish and in the Yass community.

Before Mass on 22<sup>nd</sup> June we will be holding a 10 minute *Circle of Silence for refugees and asylum seekers*. The Circles of Silence movement originated in Toulouse, France in 2007 among Franciscan groups in an effort to express solidarity with people seeking asylum and immigrants experiencing injustice and who were being silenced. Through Circles of Silence we have an opportunity to express support for people seeking asylum, and renew hope for participants through the ritual. Through our action we will be part of a response happening in parishes across Australia during this week.

*Share a Meal, Share a Story* is being organised by Yass Rural Australians for Refugees on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June so head on up to Boree Log Cottage, 29 Demestre Street after Mass for some yummy food, great company and a talk by President of Rural Australians for Refugees, Marie Sellstrom. Entry is by paper note donation.

## LEARNING 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  
Body & Soul: Spirituality in *The Anchoress*

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, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019

## TWO ORGANS, TWO ORGANISTS & TWO TRUMPETERS

Samuel Giddy, Jonathan Lee, Keith Thomas  
and Rohan Heffernan

will be playing a variety of classical music for organ and trumpet.

*Where:* Lovat Chapel, Meehan Street, Yass  
*When:* Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019

*Cost:* Tickets \$25 at the door, Concession \$20

Light refreshments will be served after the performance.

Proceeds to the Muscians and the Yass Hartigan Centre.

*Enquiries* 0411 232 317.

## 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.

First Eucharist – 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019

Please pray for...

Esther Adie	Alex Bell
Oran Bradley	Georgina Burke
Mia Buser	Caelan Cassidy
Nicholas Cassidy	Ashton Cooke-Bosustow
Savannah Donnelly	William Downey
Millie Dunn	Mia Gibbs
Zara Hillman	Scarlett Hughes
Georgia Inkster	Molly Jarratt
Angus Kelly	Grace McPherson
Chloe Pearce	Tiana Pidding
Delilah Rajic	Luca Rajic
Rory Swadling	Flynn Wullaert
Jake Wullaert	



## FIRST EUCHARIST MORNING TEA – 23<sup>rd</sup> JUNE

Following Mass there will be an opportunity to gather for a cuppa/morning tea and the cutting of the cake for these young people.

It would be very much appreciated if parishioners could help with the supply of sandwiches, slice etc. on this special occasion. Food may be dropped off to the school office on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June or at Mt Carmel Performing Arts Centre in Dutton Street prior to Mass.

Enquires to Mt Carmel School 6226 3357 or Dianne Carey 0419 276 889.

## 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.

## SPEECH BY SENATOR AMANDA STOKER – 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE

All welcome to hear Senator Amanda Stoker (Head of the Australian Parliamentary Christian Fellowship), Liberal Senator for Queensland, speak on current pro-life issues - particularly the push for Euthanasia.

*Where:* Holy Trinity Parish Centre,  
Strangways Street, Curtin.

*When:* 2:00 pm, Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

Short discussion and refreshments to follow.

*Further information:* (02) 6281 2365 ACT Right to Life Association Inc.

## COMMUNION REFLECTION

Nowadays, thanks to the security camera, we are often being watched, watched by a cold, dispassionate eye, intent only on catching us in wrong-doing. The feeling that someone is watching us is not a pleasant feeling. But the feeling that someone is watching over us is a lovely feeling. God is not watching us. God is watching over us. The conviction that God is watching over us gives us comfort in times of sadness, strength in times of weakness, and hope in times of despair.

### READINGS NEXT WEEK:

#### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) - YEAR C

##### First Reading

Gen 14:18-20

Melchizedek blesses Abram.

##### Second Reading

1 Cor 11:23-26

When you eat the bread and drink of the cup you proclaim the death of the Lord.

##### Gospel

Lk 9:11-17

Jesus feeds the five thousand.

*Please reflect on these readings over the coming week*



### MT CARMEL SCHOOL ENROLLING NOW FOR 2020

If you have a pre-school child ready for Kindergarten next year, please contact the front office on 6226 3357 for an enrolment form.

An interview will be organized once the enrolment application is received. Interviews for next year's Kindergarten are well underway; please contact Carol or Emma if you have not completed your child's enrolment form. Enrolment numbers are due to Catholic Education by the end of June.

### TRIVIA NIGHT – 12<sup>th</sup> JULY

Calvary Hospital Auxiliary, together with the Aboriginal Liaison Services Unit of the hospital, is celebrating NAIDOC Week 2019 from 7<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> July. As part of this celebration it is holding a Trivia Night commencing at 7:00pm at the Canberra Labor Club, Belconnen.

The theme for NAIDOC 2019 will be "Voice, Treaty, Truth: Let's work together" and the MC for the function will be Fr Joshua Scott, Hospital Chaplain. There will be raffles of beautiful Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artwork, electric BBQ/grill, Aboriginal cookbooks and spices, lucky door prizes and more.

Tickets are \$20 per head and can be purchased through <www.eventbrite.com.au> from Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June, with a limited number of tickets also available from the Auxiliary (Daphne Ashley ph: 0407 835 846), the ALO office (Graeme Brown ph: (02) 6264 7099) or at the door. All funds raised will go towards the purchase of equipment for the public hospital and supporting Amaroo Public School with a Traditional Games Kit.

## PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



### Recently Deceased

Giuseppe DeMartin, Norma Blair and Andrew Widdows.

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

*Doreen (Pat) McKenna (1/6), Mary (Mollie) O'Brien (1/6), Aileen Wales (10/6), James MacQuillan (13/6), Nance O'Connor (14/6), Damien Broderick (15/6), Gordon Butt (17/6), Don Bayley (17/6), Eileen Jackson (18/6), Francis 'Noel' Agnew (20/6), Gerald Honner (26/6), Audrey Pearce (27/6), Susan O'Connor (27/6), Peter Doyle (27/6), Raymond Bayley (28/6), Maria Doemling (28/6), Cliff Doust (29/6) and Margaret Morrissey (30/6).*

**Always In Our Hearts Loved and Remembered**

### ROSTERS

#### LITURGY

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

<b>15 Jun</b>	Dianne	Carey	1	Gaye	McManus	2
	Kay	Perceval	3	Greg	Minahan	4
<b>22 Jun</b>	Gaye	McManus	1	Peter	Cleary	2
	Geraldine	Doyle	3	Ken	Robbie	4

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

<b>15 Jun</b>	Michael	Green	Noel	Quinn	Coral	Carroll
<b>22 Jun</b>	Dianne	Carey	Peter	Cleary	Trish	Gibbs

#### VISITS

<b>16 Jun</b>	Michael	Green	Noel	Quinn	Coral	Carroll
<b>23 Jun</b>	Dianne	Carey	Peter	Cleary	Trish	Gibbs

#### ALTAR SERVERS

<b>15 Jun</b>	Molly	McPherson	Ella	Widdows
<b>22 Jun</b>	Wendy	Morton	Ella	Cassidy

#### POWER POINT PRESENTERS

<b>15 Jun</b>	Russell	Hill
<b>22 Jun</b>	Peter	Gibbs

#### HOSPITALITY

<b>15 Jun</b>	Kay	Perceval		
<b>22 Jun</b>	Trish	Gibbs	Lourdes	O'Keefe

#### CARE GROUP

<b>17 Jun</b>	Jeanette	Patmore	Maureen	Grievs	(Group 9)
	Kay	Perceval	Coral	Carroll	(Group 10)
<b>24 Jun</b>	Kath	Luchetti	Julie	Faulkner	(Group 11)
	Jane	Hingston	Sandra	Davis	(Group 12)

#### ALTAR CLEANERS

<b>15 Jun</b>	Kath	Moore
<b>22 Jun</b>	Pat	Coleborne

### A SPIRITUAL POT POURRI – 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> JULY

A Pot Pourri is a mixture of flowers, herbs and spices in a sachet or bowl to provide a gentle natural scent. Here it will be an unusual/interesting mixture of things of the Spirit so that we create a good impression after us.

**Presenter:** Bishop Peter Ingham  
**Where:** Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville  
**When:** 5<sup>th</sup> July – 7<sup>th</sup> July  
**Cost:** \$300 (concessions apply)  
**Contact:** Mrs Carla Walker (02) 8795 3400

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