



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	VACANT	
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>	

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

27th & 28th June 2020



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens.

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Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss.

R

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength; it is by your favour that our might is exalted: for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel.

R

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

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

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

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>To be held at Yass until further notice</i>		10:15 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)

2nd Tues (monthly) Yass 11:00 am

Horton/Warlington

4th 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
3rd & 4th 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

Mon: Saints Peter and Paul
Fri: Saint Thomas

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Please note the revised program for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Because of the uncertainty of the direction Covid-19 will take, we won't begin preparation until August with First Holy Communion on the Feast of Christ the King, 22nd November. Confirmation this year is postponed until 2021.

I have been advised that church services at Thomas Eccles Gardens can resume in July and I will celebrate Mass with the residents on the 14th July. It will be wonderful to see our people again, an extremely difficult period of isolation for the residents. The staff at our nursing homes are amazing.

Mount Carmel Community Council will meet this Thursday.

St. Augustine's Finance Committee will meet in the next two weeks and we will be discussing the possibility of painting the Lovat Chapel and wall on Meehan Street. It is 32 years since the chapel has been painted and there are issues with rotting wood. The loan for work on the Hartigan Centre finishes at the end of this month.

Yass/Gunning Belun continues getting requests for money from Timor Leste and I am grateful to those who contribute to ongoing work. This week we received two donations, \$500 and \$200.

Next week we will be able to accommodate parishioners at the two Masses in St. Augustine's.

Yours fraternally,
Mick Burke.

Welcome, Prophet

Something needs to be said about the flip side of receiving a prophet into your home. Yes, you may receive a prophet's reward. But you also have to listen to the prophet and the prophecy. This may be why prophets aren't swamped with invitations when they come to town.

When Jesus came to town, sinners and religious folks alike vied for his presence in their homes - at first. But Jesus had a way of criticising his hosts, even berating the manner in which he was received by them, that made a second invitation unlikely. Only those willing to take his words to heart and repent were glad that Jesus came under their roof.

Prophecy is by its nature a challenge to the way things are. If we don't want to change, then prophets will always seem like threatening characters. They don't come to affirm us, but to invite us to come closer to the will of God. Receive a prophet if you dare but be prepared to do more than rearrange the furniture of your world.

Have you ever received a prophetic person into your life? How did she/he challenge you?

Find the corner of your life where the irritability factor is high. Chances are this is the very place where prophecy is trying to speak. Listen to the challenge being offered to you, and reply.

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	Cleary (<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:</i> Fr Mick Burke		Sarah	Johnston (<i>Social Justice</i>)

The Front Line of Service

Another day and another dollar - well, not really. The young man dressed in the dark and prepared to leave the house to work his next 12-hour shift. He took a last look at his sleeping wife and peeked in on their sleeping toddler daughters. He headed to the car and as he pulled out of the driveway, he wondered what his day would hold. Would there be personal protective equipment to protect him? Would his colleagues be able to come to work or would they be short staffed? Would the test results he had requested be available? Would the man he had sent to ICU have survived the night? How many patients would he see today? Would this be the day he, too, became a victim of this mysterious and vicious virus? Or was he already?

Every time the young doctor stepped into the emergency room, he knew the risks - not only for himself but for his beloved young family. And yet, he entered the room once again. He has been one of many selfless heroes who have served our country in these recent months. These first responders are compassionate, competent, selfless, and courageous and we will never be able to adequately thank them. They have "lost" their familiar lives in order to preserve the lives of others. They have carried the cross, day after day, in a way that will forever change them - and all of us. We trust in the life that will come from their sacrifices, because we are people of faith. Yet we live still in the midst of it all.

GPBS eNews

We need to be hospitable: Hospitality means encountering the hidden presence of God in others, usually where we least expect to find Him, and serving Him there in the loving service we give to the person. The virtue of hospitality is the virtue of recognizing the presence of God in others and nourishing this presence. We, as a community, are to look for the opportunities to be hospitable— and, of course, there are many ways of offering hospitality. Maybe we offer hospitality simply by offering a stranger a kind word or a smile. When we live in such a busy and hectic world, we tend to brush off people who need help. A kind smile or a "hello" to someone waiting with us in a grocery line may be the only kindness that person encounters all day.

What must it have been like to be one of those disciples of Jesus? Having followed their Rabbi, or teacher, for some time, he sends them out to 'have a go' at doing what he has been doing: preaching; proclaiming the good news; healing; curing lepers and casting out demons. The focus of a disciple is to be like their Rabbi. This is their first real test of being a disciple ... seeking to go out into the world without Jesus and do the things that they've seen their Rabbi do; to be like their Rabbi!

WANTED

Old Mount Carmel School photos to compile a history of the school and Hartigan Centre precinct:

- * the school playground before 1980's and when 2 tennis courts were in the area of the trees and seating.
- * Also when a tennis court was next to the wall of the admin block.
- * The old aboriginal school, later priest's garage, it was where the technics block is now.
- * The old weather sheds where the cream brick school rooms are now.
- * The area beside the hall before 1952 when the area from the rock wall near the grotto and the entrance gate. The area was tiered in 3 levels.
- * Any photos of the front of the Hartigan Centre before 1950's.

Photos will be returned after copies are made with the owners permission.

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ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE & FAMILY MONTH

FINAL 30 minute Archdiocesan marriage enrichment presentation live-streamed this Sunday 28th June at 11:45am, straight after the 11am Online Mass at the Cathedral.

Join us at <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/> and feel free to make comments and ask questions of our West Australian presenter couple. Karen & Derek Boylen will elaborate on 'a spirituality of beholding' - a unique way of encountering Christ for married couples.

Search 'Marriage & Family Month' on the CatholicVoice website for more info.

INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC MARRIAGE SUMMIT

Free access to the talks is no longer available but you can freely join 25,000 other Catholic couples who are continuing to encourage each other and share tips and stories on Facebook (search 'Catholic Marriage Summit').

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SUBSIDIARITY: EXTENDING PARTICIPATION

The term 'subsidiarity' is a clumsy word for a simple principle, derived from the Latin for 'help' or 'support': '*subsidium*': that decisions on any matter should be informed by the people affected; and that decisions should be taken by an appropriate authority as close as possible to the people affected. It is a principle of effective leadership and good decision making, reflecting respect for the rights of people affected by decisions.

Subsidiarity is well entrenched in Catholic teaching but, ironically, not well adopted in Catholic church governance. The term was first used in a 1931 papal encyclical *Quadragesimo Anno* (no. 79) by Pope Pius XI when the Church was trying to resist authoritarian ideologies, particularly Soviet communism and Nazism.

Subsidiarity is a social principle that ensures individuals, groups and associations have maximum freedom to exercise personal responsibility as they pursue their goals in light of the common good.

Subsidiarity aims to disperse decision making as widely as possible, so that decisions are made at the most appropriate level, usually a lower level, with the support and coordination of the state and other bodies. It is not to be confused with devolution, the shifting of decisions to a lower level; it can also require decisions to be made at a higher level if needed for the common good.

Subsidiarity is also recognised widely in the secular world as a principle of good governance, and is a founding principle of the European Union in the balance of authority and power between nation members and the new Union, to preserve local rights and informed decision making.

It is not just about distributing power more equitably and effectively in society and economic affairs. It also encourages developing forms of association and skills so people can play a more active and informed role in their social and work lives.

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SACRAMENT DATES FOR 2020

RECONCILIATION

Registration

Completed

Commitment Mass

Completed

Church Liturgy

Thursday 27th August 7:00pm at St. Augustine's

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 2nd September 6:00pm at St. Augustine's

FIRST EUCHARIST

Registration

Completed

Commitment Mass

Saturday 5th or 12th September 6:00pm at St. Augustine's and Sunday 6th or 13th September 10:15am at St. Augustine's

Church Liturgy

Thursday 12th November 7:00pm at St. Augustine's

Preparation Day

Friday 20th November 9:00am-3:10pm at the Hartigan Centre and St. Augustine's

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Sunday 22nd November 10:00am at St. Augustine's

CONFIRMATION

Postponed to 2021

COMMUNION REFLECTION

Almighty and all-merciful God, lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds, in whom there is no shadow of death, save us in this time of crisis; grant wisdom and courage to our leaders; watch over all medical people as they tend the sick and work for a cure; stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation; if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open. By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear, that hope may never die and the light of Easter, the triumph of life, may shine upon us and the whole world. Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

First Reading

Rejoice O Zion.

Zec 9:9-10

Second Reading

Life in the Spirit brings life everlasting.

Rom 8:9. 11-13

Gospel

Christ will refresh the weary.

Mt 11:25-30

Please reflect on these readings over the coming week

ROSTERS

HOSPITALITY

27 Jun Coral Carroll Kath Luchetti
4 Jul Frank & Kath Grace

ALTAR CLEANERS

4 Jul Jane Hingston 11 Jul Helen Murphy

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



Recently deceased

Marie Liddle, Mary Woodgate, Fr. John O'Keefe,
Robert Bateman

Prayers for

Michael Abbey, Paul Shim

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), Guiseppe (John) DeMartin (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).

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