



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	Clare	Barry
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>	

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

25th & 26th July 2020



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Lord, I love your commands.

My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word. The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold. **R**

Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant. Let your love come to me and I shall live for your law is my delight. **R**

That is why I love your commands more than finest gold. That is why I rule my life by your precepts: I hate false ways. **R**

Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it. The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. **R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

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 never forget all his benefits.

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/Warmincton

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

Wed: Saint Martha
Fri: Saint Ignatius of Loyola
Sat: Saint Alphonsus Liguori

* This past week I have had the privilege of being with a family who have loved and cared for a seriously disabled woman for over sixty years. It's love that sustains life in the most difficult and demanding circumstances and I am in awe, not only of this family, but also others within our community who do the same. I am told often by families and carers how their lives have been enriched by the disabled.

* First graders from Mount Carmel, as a part of their religious education, toured the many statues of Mary to learn of her place as the mother of Jesus. The Mercy Chapel has a statue of Joseph holding the infant and the teacher asked the question, why was Joseph holding the infant. A student replied, "Mary was probably busy cooking dinner for Joseph so it was his turn to look after Jesus".



* Our pastoral revenue (1st collection) statement was forwarded to us this week and highlights we are behind \$10,000 this six months but we are still able to pay our way.

* St. Augustine's Parish Pastoral Council will meet this Wednesday. If you have comments or issues you would like discussed, please speak with a member. (Con't)

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)

(Con't)

* Yass/Gunning Belun has paid the university fees for thirty Timorese, in Kupang, Java, Jakarta and Dili. They now have degrees as nurse practitioners, civil engineers, petroleum engineers, teachers, architects and in political science. We have also paid for over 100 to complete school.



Oracio receiving money for his university fees as a civil engineer

* Due to Covid-19, after speaking with Deb Valencic, we have decided to cancel the 'Book Fair' for this year.

Kingdom Stories

The last few weeks we've been treated to kingdom stories. Some are casual, like the woman kneading dough or the sower going to plant a field. Some are loaded with suppressed excitement: the merchant finding the pearl, or the discovery of treasure in an unmarked field. What kind of kingdom can be glimpsed from a net cast lightly into the sea, emerging with the day's catch and a year's worth of junk?

What's clear is that the Kingdom of God isn't a simple idea. It is not the usual religious jaunt from a life of good works to a heavenly reward. The kingdom is known through fidelity to small tasks yet holds enormous surprises and can lead to high spiritual gambles. We may be willing to put a pinch of piety into the dough and watch the bread rise. But not all of us will be selling everything, even to purchase the brightest pearl on earth. Gamble, with our nest egg?

In fact, every kingdom story has its own risk factor. Not every loaf will rise, not every field sown will produce a yield. The dragnet of human experience pulls up what is useful to spiritual growth and also more garbage to haul around. We are choosing, in every minute, how much we will sacrifice to pursue the kingdom. (Con't)



This week we welcomed into our Church community:

Hugh Anthony child of Anthony & Melissa

Next week we welcome into our Church community:

Agatha child of Percy & Ainsley

NATIONAL MEN'S GATHERING – 15th AUGUST

The ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2020 is now an online event for registered participants. The program will be delivered in four pre-recorded sessions of approximately 1 hour in length. Each session will offer input from a variety of speakers and musicians, along with a response and questions for group discussion or individual reflection. The program offers flexibility so that you may participate individually or gather with others from your parish or men's ministry group.

The intent is to inspire and encourage all Catholic men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish, diocese and the world.

Registration: Available from Monday 29th June

Go to: bit.ly/cm2020event

The Lovat Chapel will be a 'hub' for this National Men's Gathering for 2020. Details to follow and enquiries to Steve Scroope.

NATIONAL PRAYER CRUSADE FOR VOCATIONS – 6th SEPTEMBER

The Knights of the Southern Cross will launch their 14th National Prayer Crusade for Vocations. The aim is to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life with the hope that this will lead to an increase in Catholic Chaplains for the Australian Defence Force (both in Australia and overseas) where there is an ongoing need.

The Crusade runs until Saturday, 28th November 2020 and all Catholic organisations/schools and colleges, parishes and individual Catholics throughout Australia are being invited to participate.

Each participant is asked to choose one week during the Crusade period and pray the following Crusade Prayer each day:

"Heavenly Father, you know the faith, courage and generosity of your people throughout Australia including the men and women serving at home and overseas with the Australian Military Services. Please provide your people in Australia with sufficient Priests, Deacons and Religious to meet their needs and be with them always as they endeavour to meet the challenges of their daily lives. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son. Amen."

YOUNG ADULTS SPRING BALL – 9th OCTOBER

Canberra Catholic Students and Young Professionals have been working on a Spring Ball at the Albert Hall, Canberra.

With the unfolding COVID-19 situation, the date may have to be moved, but if you register your interest here before the end of July <https://cgatholic.org.au/canberraspringball/> you will be updated on any change of details.

For more information visit the Canberra Spring Ball event page on Facebook or contact Belle Joseph on 0412 689 976.

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.

Contact: Bob Nash 0418 691 423 or email bob_nash@live.com.au

SACRAMENT DATES FOR 2020

RECONCILIATION

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

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



The Timor Leste Government is now supplying our clinic with drugs for TB and leprosy, a great saving for us.

SACRIFICIAL PLANNED GIVING

Tax receipts are available at the back of the church.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

Like treasure hidden in a field.

Where is the kingdom of God?
How to recognise it?
Has it an anthem like a country,
a flag like a nation,
a language of its own?

In the middle of the heart of experience is found
the Kingdom of God.

Through the gaps of life,
shines the Kingdom of God.

Like treasure hidden in a field.

Glimpsed in the narrow gaps
between tight thoughts
and you're surprised by a new idea..
Glimpsed in the narrow gaps
between people who know each other
and you're surprised by the newness of one you love.
Glimpsed in the narrow gap
of acceptance of injustice and inequality,
and you're surprised by new initiatives.
There is no flag, no anthem, no language
separate from
the flag, anthem and language
of our experience of life:
the flag, anthem and language
of love, compassion, truth,
of the works of justice,
of Eucharist.

Like a treasure hidden in a field.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



Recently deceased

Mary James, Shayne Phillips, Tom Hallahan

Prayers for

Sr. Kathleen Cudmore, William Grace, Kevin Dawes,
Gerald Longley, Sr. Maureen Hummerston RSM

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

Gerald Longley (3/7), Roy Gibbs (2/7), Brigid Faulkner (5/7),
Herman Poecher (5/7), Reginald (Dal) Hanrahan (5/7),
Dennis Faulkner (6/7), Leslie Cox (6/7), Lee Irwin (8/7),
Joanne Kelly (8/7), Ben Van den Bulk (9/7),
Kevin Dawes (9/7), Cliff Hoey (9/7), John O'Connor (9/7),
Bernard Howard (9/7), Harry Wales (10/7),
Judith Ticehurst (10/7), Frans Broers (13/7),
Dulcie Finn (14/7), Thomas Wales (14/7),
Helen Bunting (14/7), Justin Hayward (16/7),
Joan Bray (17/7), Adrian Cooke (17/7), Brett Irwin (18/7),
Gerald Doyle (18/7), Ron Merriman (18/7),
Henry Burgess (18/7), Len Longley (19/7), Stan Irwin (21/7),
Robyn Cox (21/7), James McGinley (22/7),
Catherine Wallace (22/7), Patricia Dobbin (22/7),
Teri Bates (23/7), Terez Bates (23/7), Maureen Yates (23/7),
Marie Grace (24/7), Angela Waters (24/7), Eric Hobday (26/7),
Joyce Ryan (26/7), Nita Hogan (27/7), Ronald Howard (27/7),
Gordon Todkill (30/7) and Glenice Doyle (30/7).

Always In Our Hearts Loved and Remembered

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

First Reading *Is 55:1-3*

Come to the water.

Second Reading *Rom 8:35. 37-39*

Nothing can separate us from the love of God.

Gospel *Mt 14:13-21*

Jesus feeds five thousand.

Please reflect on these readings over the coming week

ROSTERS

LITURGY

1 = Readings/Resp. Psalm/Gospel Acc.	2 = Prayers of the Faithful
3 = Offertory	4 = Acolyte
25 Jul Lourdes O'Keefe 1	Russell Hill 2
N/A 3	Frank Grace 4
1 Aug Peter Gibbs 1	Tom Considine 2
N/A 3	Chris Gold 4

POWER POINT PRESENTERS

25 Jul Russell Hill **1 Aug** Peter Cleary

ALTAR CLEANERS

1 Aug Geraldine Doyle **8 Aug** Kath Moore

OLD LINTON MEDICAL PRACTICE

Dr Ray Burn, Dr Hanna Burn-Petersen
Dr Shyama Gonakumbura
Dr Ann Stephenson – Psychiatrist
Ruth Sneesby – Foot Nurse

Monday - Friday

9:00 am – 5:00 pm (by appointment)
(Closed for lunch 1pm – 2pm)

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