



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	Peter My
Youth Worker	Clare	Healey
Chair Finance Committee	Paul	O'Mara
Chair Parish Council	Bryan	Coleborne (<i>acting</i>)
Principal of the School	Michael	Green
School Community Council	Amber	Maher
Sacramental Team Leader	Dianne	Carey
RCIA	Genevieve	Colbert

Parish Office	Zuzy Webster Monday to Wednesday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Parish Bulletin	Thursday 9:00am – 3:00pm

WEEKEND LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS THIS MONTH – MAY

Yass Mass	Saturdays	6:00 pm	14 th & 28 th
Yass Mass	All Sundays	10:15 am	
Gunning Mass	Sundays	8:30 am	8 th , 15 th , 22 nd
Gunning Liturgy of Word with Holy Communion	Sundays	8:30 am	1 st & 29 th
M'bateman Mass	Saturdays	6:00 pm	7 th & 21 st

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday	Lovat Chapel, Yass	5:30 pm
Thursday	Lovat Chapel, Yass	7:30 am
Friday	Lovat Chapel, Yass	12:00 noon
Saturday	St. Augustine's, Yass	9:00 am
	(start with 8:40am Rosary)	

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
	<i>Parishioners are invited to celebrate Mass with the residents at both locations.</i>	

Exposition

Saturday after 9:00am Mass until 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays	Yass	10:00 am - 10:30 am
Sundays	Gunning	8:00 am - 8:15 am

Baptisms

Yass	Saturdays	10:30 am
Gunning Parish	2 nd Sunday of the month	8:30am (during Mass) or 12:30 pm
		<i>Book by ringing the Parish Secretary (Mon, Wed. or Fri.)</i>

Marriages

By appointment. Five to six months notice ideal.

School Enrolments

Mt Carmel School: Kindergarten to Yr 6.
Ring the School Secretary for appointment (02) 6226 3357.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR C

30th April & 1st May, 2022



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.

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Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.

R

The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

R

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people.

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

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

Thoughts from the Presbytery



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the traditional custodians of the land in which we meet.

We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future.



There are a few things for me to convey to you.

1 There will be a Yass Ecumenical Combined Churches Prayer Service commencing at 10.30am on Sunday 15 May in the Memorial Hall. It would be wonderful if a few of our parishioners could attend. I will be there as soon as I can after Mass.

2 Following on from the Parish Assembly times for all weekend Masses have now been decided upon. They are:

Yass	6:00 pm	1 st , 3 rd & 5 th	Saturdays of the month
Murrumbateman	6.00 pm	2 nd & 4 th	Saturdays of the month
Yass	10:15 am		All Sundays
Gunning	8:30 am	2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th	Sundays
Gunning	8:30 am	1 st & 5 th	Sundays

3 Bulletin Secretary, Bianca Nash, has resigned and this position will now be shared by Zuzy Webster and Irene Carr.

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4 We are in need of more people for the Ministry of Readers and Extraordinary Ministers.

For the Ministry of Readers training will be required at one of two sessions which will be held on Thursday 12 May or Friday 13 May at 7pm in St Augustine's Church.

N.B. Existing Readers (if you want to continue) please attend.

Fr Peter

YOU KNOW I LOVE YOU

Some years ago, I noticed a couple with a newborn baby in the front pew. I observed the baby, but they could not take their eyes off the infant for the whole Mass. Their way of looking was completely different to mine. It was the loving gaze of total commitment and, no doubt, of the deepest desire for the best possible future for their baby.

According to St Luke's Gospel, Jesus bestowed that sort of loving gaze on Peter as he stood warming himself near a charcoal fire in the High Priests Courtyard, the place where he denied our Lord three times: 'I do not know the man'.

In today's Gospel, St Peter is standing near another charcoal fire on which the Risen Lord had prepared breakfast. Balancing his denials, Peter affirms three times: 'Lord, you know that I love you'. This was the dramatic effect of that loving gaze.

You and I are constantly held in that gaze. You and I, like Peter, are thus enabled to repent of our betrayals of our Lord, some major, most minor, and to claim: 'Lord, you know that I love you'.

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But, this claim has to be evidenced by concrete action. In the case of Peter, he was to feed and shepherd 'My lambs and my sheep'. How do we decide what concrete action will manifest our professed love? The short and sure answer, in the words of Father Richard Rohr, is to love what God loves. And that, my friends, is nothing less than the whole cosmos: 'For God so loved the cosmos as to give the Son.' (Jn 3:16,17) We often translate it 'For God so loved the world'. But that is too weak. The Greek word is cosmos, the whole of created reality. Of course, we have to love our fellow human beings, but leaving it there would be an inadequate imitation of God's love for the cosmos. How can we concretely show that love? In the Sermon on the Mount, our Lord says: 'You are the Salt of the Earth.' Salt is a preservative, preventing decay, making food suitable for eating. You must preserve the earth so that it does not decay and so that it is a suitable habitation for all the creatures, including us, for whom the earth is 'our common home' to use the subtitle of 'Laudato Si', the encyclical by Pope Francis on the environment. And then our Lord went on; 'You are the Light of the Cosmos'. What can this mean? Think of the most beautiful scene in nature which has ever moved or amazed you. Perhaps a majestic mountain, or a remarkable stretch of water, or the constellation of stars overarching the night sky.

But neither the mountain nor the water nor the stars are themselves aware of their existence and able to praise God for that very fact. However, you are the enlightened mind and the enflamed heart of the whole cosmos. As you will hear in the Mass: 'With [the angels], we too confess your name in exultation, giving voice to every creature under heaven as we acclaim: "Holy Holy Holy Lord God of Hosts".'

We are the stardust with loving consciousness called to embody God's love for the cosmos. We become priests of the cosmos for the cosmos.

St Francis of Assisi was a man in love with all created reality. We can hear him singing in the Canticle of the Sun: Be praised, My Lord, through all your creatures, Especially through my lord Brother Sun, Who brings the day; And you give light through him. And he is beautiful and radiant in all his splendor! Of you, Most High, he bears the likeness.

We may not all be as ecstatic as St Francis, but in the words of the Pope who took his name: 'We, the women and men of the Church, we are in the middle of a love story and each of us is a link in this chain of love. And if we do not understand this, we have understood nothing of what the Church is.'

My dear friends, we are all held in the loving gaze of the One who first loved us (1 Jn 4:19). That is what enables us personally and as a Church, to respond: 'Lord, you know that I love you.' But then we must prove it as Salt of The Earth and Light of The Cosmos!

Fr Michael Tate

Parish Finance Committee Members:

Father Peter My	Stan Waldren
David Garland	Mark Valencic
Paul O'Mara	Trish Gibbs
Irene Carr	

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

VACANT (Youth)	Peter Cleary (Liturgy)
Bryan Coleborne (Ecumenism)	Michael Green (School)
Genevieve Colbert (Education)	Lourdes O'Keefe (Social)
Bob Nash (Maintenance)	Michael Van Wanrooy (Welfare)
VACANT (Social Justice)	Zuzy Webster (Secretary)

Ex Officio Member: Fr Peter My

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY APPEAL

(Next Sunday)

Collection for formation and education of our seminarians.

We have three seminarians studying for the priesthood. There are other young men too, considering the priestly calling. Let us invest in the future of our Church by financially supporting them.

Please join us in generous giving. You can make a gift today. By envelopes, by giving at: www.cgatholic.org.au/goodshep or by calling: (02) 6239 980.

May Jesus, our High Priest, raise up a whole generation of new priests in our Archdiocese!

First Eucharist – 19th June 2022



Please pray for those giving their Commitment to the Preparation of First Holy Communion this weekend.

They will receive their First Eucharist at Mass on Sunday 19th June.

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MAKILLOP

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 18 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29 October 2022. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

For further information, including itinerary and application form, email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or phone 02 8912 4818.

WESTERN DEANERY WOMEN'S CURSILLO

Thursday 12 May 4.00 pm to Sunday afternoon 15 May. To be held at St Clement's Retreat Centre, Galong.

If you are interested in attending please contact Di Franks – DMFranks@bigpond.com or phone 0418 619 740.

YASS ECUMENICAL COMBINED CHURCHES PRAYER SERVICE

When: Sunday 15 May at 10.30 am
Where: Yass Memorial Hall

On completion there will be a sausage sizzle (gold coin donation – all proceeds to appeal for Ukraine). Coffee & Tea available.

EVERYONE WELCOME



St Augustine's Church will be closed from Tuesday 26 April until Monday 9 May due to maintenance of the church wall.

Mass during this time will be held at Mt Carmel's Performing Arts Centre.

FEDERAL ELECTION

Read the Australian Catholic Bishops' 2022 election statement, *Towards a Better Kind of Politics*, to help you reflect on the good you can do for the community by using your vote for the common good of all. The statement includes a Prayer for the Election and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching. Download a copy from www.catholic.org.au

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Thankyou.



THERE IS NOW ANOTHER WAY TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE PARISH

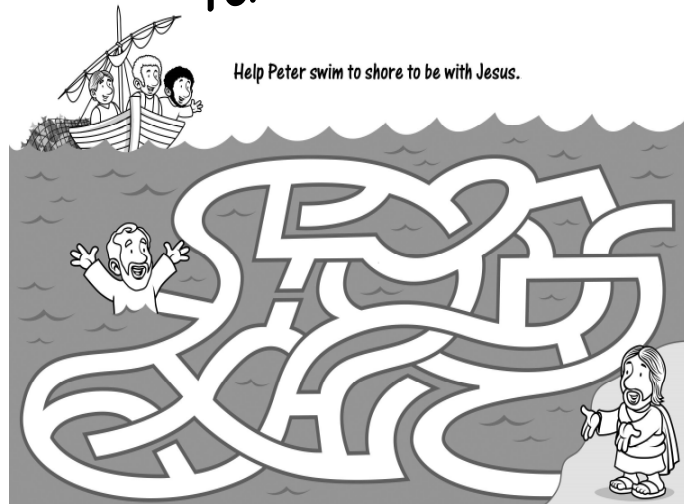
Located at the back of the church is a Smart Terminal setup for donations using your debit card or credit card. These donations will be split 30% to the First Collection and 70% to the Second Collection

This Smart Terminal has been installed as with the changing times of people not wanting to carry cash and use cards only, the Parish has decided to try out this alternative way of giving at Mass. The plate for donations during Mass will still be used.

Have a look and 'Give It A Go!' if this way of giving suits you

FOR THE KIDS

Help Peter swim to shore to be with Jesus.



COMMUNION REFLECTION

It can happen that we lose interest in people, and even become blind to their strengths, when we discover their limitations. During his passion Jesus discovered the limitations of Peter, yet he didn't write him off. He continued to believe in him, and in time he came good. Like Peter, we are weak human beings, who are inconstant in our beliefs. We need someone who understands our weaknesses, who realises that it may take time for us to overcome them and who doesn't write us off because we don't produce the goods at once. at once.

READINGS NEXT WEEK

First Reading Acts:13-14, 43-52
Paul and Barnabas are expelled from Antioch.

Second Reading Rev 7 :9, 14-17
John sees people of every race before the throne.

Gospel Jn 10:27-30
The gift of eternal life..

Please reflect on these readings over the coming week

CARITAS UKRAINE APPEAL

Caritas Ukraine is on the ground during the unfolding humanitarian crisis. Caritas' appeal for the Ukraine will help provide assistance including emergency shelter, food, clean water, transportation services, and support to people affected by this crisis. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413 toll free.

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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ALSO



**MURRUMBATEMAN
MEDICAL PRACTICE**

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



Recently Deceased

Jakov Ivancic, Mr Foley, Peter Bindon

**Prayers for
Sam Turner**

**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),
Ron McGrath (4/5), 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), John Foran (14/5),
Rubina Crossley (15/5), Norman Carey (16/5),
Zygmunt Banaszczyk (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),
Colette Dawes (23/5), Elizabeth McRae (23/5),
Sheila Armstead (23/5), Margaret Lawrence (23/5),
John Hill (25/5), Lorna Simpson (25/5),
Joseph Barratt (28/5), Audrey Carey (29/5)
and Emse Cregan (31/5).*

Always In Our Hearts Loved and Remembered

ROSTERS

LITURGY

1 = Reader
3 = Acolyte

2 = Intro and Prayers of the Faithful

1 May	Deb Frank	Valencic Grace	1 3	Mark Valencic	2
8 May	Rod Russell	Perceval Hill	1 3	Peter Gibbs	2

ALTAR SERVERS

1 May	Molly Grace	McPherson McPherson
8 May	Clare Mackenna	Broers Leahy



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