



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

Book by ringing the Parish Secretary (Mon, Wed. or Fri.)

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR C

7th & 8th May, 2022



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. **R**

Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R**

Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. **R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

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 Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, 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.



- 1 Our Parish Assembly Committee will meet at 7.00 pm on Thursday 19 May.
- 2 I will be attending the annual Clergy Assembly from Monday 16 May till Thursday 19 May. As there will be no Masses that week, Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion will be held on the Wednesday and Thursday.
- 3 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.
- 4 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
Yass	10:15 am	All Sundays
Murrumbateman	6.00 pm	
	2 nd & 4 th	Saturdays of the month
Gunning	8:30 am	
	2 nd , 3 rd & 4 th	Sundays
Gunning	<i>Liturgy of Word with Holy Communion (LoWwHC)</i>	
	8:30 am	
	1 st & 5 th	Sundays of the month

- 5 Bulletin Secretary, Bianca Nash, has resigned and this position will now be shared by Zuzy Webster and Irene Carr.
The Bulletin will be produced on Thursdays which means notices for placement in the Bulletin must be received no later than 12 noon on Thursdays.
- 6 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

The final sentence of today's passage has Jesus declaring, 'The Father and I are one.' It seems a fitting way to finish the gospel reading for liturgical use in the Easter season. However, the passage in John's gospel continues on. Immediately upon hearing these words, the listening crowd grab rocks and are about to stone Jesus to death! They were horrified by his apparent blasphemy – claiming to be one with God. Such a bold declaration of oneness with the Father was no doubt used by the gospel writer to try to eradicate emerging questions about the divinity of Jesus.

*Please pray for the children
as they prepare for
First Holy Communion*



*Bless all the children preparing to receive Holy
Communion for the first time.*

*May that day be an initial step into a life-long love of the
Eucharist.*

*Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they will
turn to you for comfort, guidance and wisdom as they
grow into full discipleship.*

*May their hands, extended in anticipation of your Body
and Blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred
sacrament. AMEN.*

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Loving God, we pray:
for new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility ;
for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;
for those who are tired, stressed or depressed;
for those who struggle to balance the tasks of work and
family;
for those who are unable to feed their children due to
poverty;
for those whose children have physical, mental or
emotional disabilities;
for those who raise children on their own;
for those who have lost a child;
for those who care for the children of others;
for those whose children have left home;
and for those whose desire to be a mother has not been
fulfilled.
Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender,
and that they may lead their children to know and do what
is good,
living not for themselves alone, but for God and for
others. Amen.

GOSPEL FOCUS

Do you love me?

Three times Jesus asks Peter, "Do you love me?" and three times Peter answers, "You know I do." Some writers suggest that the three-fold question by Jesus and the three-fold reply by Peter is intended to balance out the triple denial of Jesus by Peter at the time of the arrest and trial of Jesus. Where once Peter denied even knowing Jesus, he now declares his love for Jesus in no uncertain terms. It is a reminder to all of us that there is no act that we can perform that cannot be forgiven by God and from which we cannot come back.

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

LADIES MORNING TEA



When: Thu. 12th May at 10am
Where: Yass Soldiers Club, Meehan St.

ALL WELCOME

WALKING THROUGH THE GATES OF HISTORY"

There are still a few books left for sale.
If you wish to purchase one contact Bob Nash on
0418 691 423. The books are **\$35**

**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

SACRAMENTS 2022 – CLAIM THE DATE

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

Sunday 19 June 10.30am St Augustine's (Yr 4 and above)

CONFIRMATION

Sunday 11 September 10.30am St Augustine's (Yr 6 and above)

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 23 November 6pm St Augustine's (Yr 3 and above)



**MAKING DONATIONS
AT MASS**

Located at the back of the church is a Smart Terminal (Tap Machine) 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

The plate for donations during Mass will still be used. Also, donations can be made using Planned Giving Envelopes, EFT and Credit Card on regular basis (contact the Office to arrange this).

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY APPEAL

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!

SmartLoving Breakthrough

An Online Course for spouses in troubled marriages

If your marriage is under stress or you feel disconnected from your spouse, but don't know how to ease the pain, join us for this online course at: smartloving.org/breakthrough. Divine Mercy Sale 50% Off (ends May 31) Use coupon code: **DivineMercy**

- Identify your conflict triggers.
- Learn strategies to de-escalate an argument.
- Restore hope with practical relationship strategies.

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. Please book soon! Cost \$350. Includes accommodation, meals and retreat materials.

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

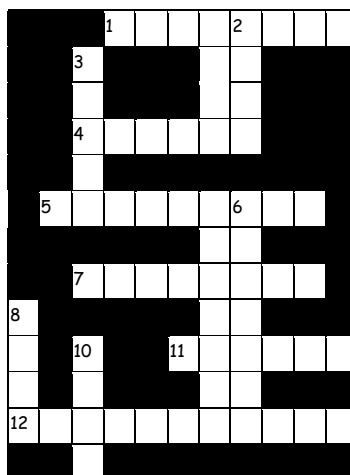
FEDERAL ELECTION: Read the Australian Catholic Bishops' 2022 election statement, *Towards a Better Kind of Politics*, to help you reflect on the good you can do for the community by using your vote for the common good of all. The statement includes a Prayer for the Election and the principles of Catholic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

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Parish Office Closed Tuesday 17th May 5, 2022

FOR THE KIDS



Across

- 1: take the path of a leader
- 4: the sound of someone speaking
- 5: bigger, more impressive
- 7: God is called our ___ _ _ _ _ in heaven
- 11: take without warning, grab
- 12: followers of Jesus

Down

- 2: the opposite of death
- 3: not ever, at no time
- 6: forever
- 8: the body part that has fingers and a thumb
- 9: an animal that produces wool
- 10: missing

COMMUNION REFLECTION

The deepest wound of all is that which affects the heart:
the feeling that one has not been loved,
that one is not precious to anyone.
Many people today are wounded at heart.
Each of us can do something to heal their wounds.
We have hands that can make things,
and minds that can understand things.
But above all we have hearts that can give life.
We are not sterile people.
We can give life to people who are inwardly broken.
We can show them that they are important,
and so bring life to them.
Today, as we reflect on the Good Shepherd,
may we recall that our principal vocation in life is to love.

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C

First Reading

Acts 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas journey extensively, returning to Antioch.

Second Reading

Rv 21:1-5

John sees a new Jerusalem.

Gospel

Jn 13: 31-35

Jesus issues a new commandment, love one another.

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.

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED



Recently Deceased

Jakov Ivancic, Gwendoline Foley

**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

8th May	Rod Russell	Perceval Hill	1 3	Peter Gibbs	2
15th May	Sue Greg	Morrissey Minahan	1 3	Joe Morrissey	2

ALTAR SERVERS

8 May	Clare Mackenna	Broers Leahy
15 May	Grace Imogen	Miller Maher

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