

WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

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**As we come to worship we remember the Bangerang & Yorta Yorta People, the original custodians of this land
We commit ourselves to actively working alongside Aboriginal people for reconciliation and justice.**

Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

29th June 2014



ST DONATO FEAST DAY

Sacred Heart will celebrate the feast of St. Donato on Saturday 2nd August. Mass will be at 10.00am followed by luncheon at the Tatura Italian Social Club from 12.00pm. Bookings for lunch are essential and can be made with Lina Gagliardi on 5824 1790 or Mob. 0430 430 240



Mass at Sacred Heart next week will be at 6.00pm Saturday evening and 8.00am Sunday morning.

ITALIAN ROSARY

Il Rosario sar  recitato ore 2pm Martedi 1 Luglio nella Chiesa. The Italian Rosary will be recited in the Church on Tuesday 1st July at 2.00pm. All welcome.

Monsignor John White Funeral

Vigil Mass at St Patrick's, Wangaratta, 7.00pm Monday 1st July.

Funeral Mass at Sacred Heart, Yarrawonga, Tuesday 2nd July at 11.30am. Morning tea will be available from 10.30am in the Parish Centre/old convent. Refreshments afterwards will be at the RSL Centre Mulwala.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

Mass was celebrated on Friday 27th June to celebrate the feast of the Sacred Heart. People brought goods for SVDP to help the needy. The school community also celebrated grandparent's day with grandparents coming from far and wide – some from Melbourne and also the Gold Coast. The Church was full. Fr. Michael spoke to the children about blessing and the importance of being blest. He encouraged parents and grandparents to bless their children and grandchildren especially at night before sleep. The parents provided a lovely morning tea which was enjoyed by all in the Mercy Centre.

2015 Enrolments for Sacred Heart School are now being taken.

Please contact Debbie in the office to make an appointment with Trish (this includes all existing families).

Third term school commences Monday 14th July and finishes on Friday 19th September



Those who have died recently	Mons. John White; Colin Mason; (Pa) Carsley Rogers;
Those whose Anniversary occurs	Lillian Cheesewright; Tom Collins; Jim Nihill; Carmela DiPetta; Nicola Spina; Hilary Atkins; Giuseppe Ciavarella; Giuseppina Greco
Our sick and their carers	Lawrie Dwyer; Margaret Woodland; Mons Peter Jeffrey; Fr. Jim Nihill; Fr Gerry Gallagher; *** Jim Calow; Glenn Spicer;

(Our practice is to leave the names on the sick list for a month. To extend the time, please contact the parish office.)

MASS	COMMENTATOR	READER	GOSPEL PROCESSION	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	SPECIAL MINISTERS	COUNTERS
Sat 5 th July 6.00pm	Sasha Finlayson	John Harford	Denise Woodman	E Leahy D Turvey	A Hutchison, D Bourke, A Ciavarella	L & D Worm
Sun 6 th July 8.00am	Betty Curtis	Coral Reilly	Lisa Cowan	M Grumley	D Worm, R Kelly, S Cowan	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK: 30 th June – 6 th July			
DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	30 th	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	1 st	9.15am Liturgy of the Word with Communion	No Mass
Wednesday	2 nd	9.15am Mass – Intention – Jim Nihill	5.00pm - Intention – Ziva & Katharina Radanov
Thursday	3 rd	No Mass	9.15am
Friday	4 th	9.15am Mass	No Mass
Saturday	5 th	6.00pm Mass	No Mass
Sunday	6 th	8.00am Mass	10.00am 11.30am Tongala
ROSARY		9.00am before weekday Mass	
RECONCILIATION	5 th	11.30am	

JUNE-JULY DIARY DATES		
Mon	30 th	School Holidays Commence
Tues	1 st	Italian Rosary 2.00pm in the Church Finance C'tee Meeting 5.30pm Parish Hall
Wed	2 nd	CWL Meeting 2.00pm Parish Hall
Thurs	3 rd	Feast: St. Thomas
Frid	4 th	SVDP Meeting 7.00pm at the Centre Feast: St Elizabeth of Portugal
Sat	5 th	Mass 6.00pm. Wedding – David Bourke & Sasha Jackson
Sun	6 th	Mass 8.00am
Mon	7 th	
Tues	8 th	
Wed	9 th	Anointing Mass 9.15am St Vincent de Paul Meeting 7.00pm
Thurs	10 th	
Frid	11 th	Diocesan Secretaries Meeting, Bendigo
Sat	12 th	
Sun	13 th	Mass 10.00am Cuppa after Mass. Confirmation & Eucharist for Keelan Doyle.
PASTORAL CARE		
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Gospel Reflection

We are naturally attracted to some figures who become larger than life because of their exceptional influence, for example, Nelson Mandela, Mother Teresa, Desmond Tutu. Today's Solemnity directs this natural attraction to two great apostles so that we might draw inspiration from their faith and courage from their faithfulness.

Peter and Paul's faithful and fruitful discipleship rested on the rock of their knowing Jesus. Our own faithful and fruitful discipleship rests on this same rock. "Who am I?" This question Jesus put to his disciples long ago remains a question for all times and all disciples. To be faithful rocks upon which the church is built, we must know who Jesus is for us, listen to what he teaches us, and guard against anything prevailing against his church.

"And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven." Notice the future tense "I will give you," foretelling what would happen after the resurrection. It was then that the Lord granted Peter the grace of the Holy Spirit and appointed him to be shepherd of his human flock. But what are the keys, and of what kind of door is Peter appointed the guardian? Christ is the door, as he himself declared; and the key to that door is his faith, the faith which he entrusted to his chief disciple. The Lord has given the keys to Peter and his successors to ensure the faithful enter the fold - safe to his heavenly Kingdom. (2 Tm 4:18)

Of today's Solemnity Saint Augustine wrote, "And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labours, their sufferings, their preaching, and their profession of faith."

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

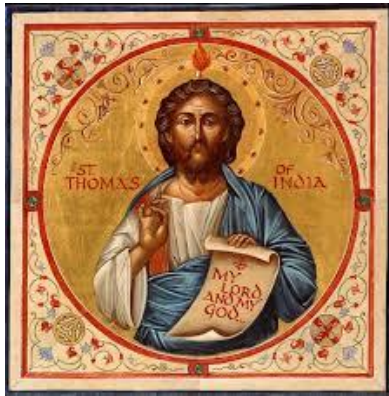
"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7

Stewardship is not an easy life style. No one promised that it would be. It is counter-cultural to most things in the world today. However, putting God first in all things, living a life of gratitude and being generous with our time, talent and treasure brings tremendous joy to those who are disciplined. Fight the good fight and keep the faith!

Feast Day of the Week – St Thomas, apostle (July 3)

Thomas deserves his place in the sun for a whole host of reasons, not the least being that he is the only person in the Gospel to address Jesus as 'God'. This expression of deep faith also is supplemented by an earlier statement to Jesus where he tells his Master: 'We do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way.' From this statement, we hear a response from Jesus that is, according to one liturgical source, quite profound: 'I am the way, the truth and the life.'

As one of the 12 Apostles, Thomas has become much maligned for his doubts following the resurrection of Jesus and His appearance to the disciples in the Upper Room. However, apart from the Gospel narrative, there are other legends about Thomas that have no doubt served to redeem him. For instance, there is one that he was the only witness to the Assumption of Mary and that as she rose heavenwards she dropped her girdle. There also is the long-held tradition in Edessa, Mesopotamia, that Thomas was the Apostle of India.



ADVANCE NOTICE

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST MASS

The Confirmation and First Eucharist Mass will be on **Saturday 16th August at 6pm** with Fr Michael concelebrating with Bishop Leslie Tomlinson.

Confirmation and First Eucharist will also be at Tatura on Saturday, 16th August 2014.

UNVEILING & BLESSING OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP

Save the date for the Unveiling & Blessing of the Diocesan Memorial Sculpture of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop.

Friday 17th October 2014 at 11.00am at the site south side of the Cathedral.

'The Eucharist, although it is the fullness of sacramental life is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.'
Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*

MONSIGNOR JOHN WHITE R.I.P.



Monsignor was born 27th December, 1937, in Jerilderie, the youngest child of John and Margaret (nee Connell) White. In December 1942, during WWII, John White snr was seconded to work in the munitions factory in Mulwala. There, in 1943, young John started school at the Sacred Heart Convent. He obtained his Leaving Certificate, then attended Assumption College, Kilmore, for his matriculation year.

When he returned 17, he entered the Corpus Christi seminary at Werribee to study for the priesthood, finishing his studies at the new seminary at Glen Waverley.

On 21st July, 1962, John was ordained by Bishop Stewart in Yarrowonga. Father White then spent a month in Cobram before being appointed to St Kilian's, Bendigo, for four years.

Then, much to his surprise, Bishop Stewart offered him a four year appointment as an RAAF Chaplain. His first posting was to the Laverton and Point Cook stations, where most of the personnel were training for deployment in Vietnam. Flight Lieutenant White was posted to Vung Tow where he ministered to both the Australian and the US forces.

Whilst the Vietnamese experience would have had some horrendous moments, his role also enabled him to help the Vietnamese people. He helped build a Catholic orphanage and a school for the Baptist church. He also taught English to Vietnamese children. For his service in Vietnam, he was awarded the MBE.

Returning to Australia, Father White was stationed at Laverton then Wagga Wagga. He was promoted to Squadron Leader White and posted to Butterworth in Malaysia. Upon his return to Australia he became Wing commander and was successively appointed to Richmond, Darwin, Glenbrook and Canberra. In 1983 he was promoted to the rank of Air Commodore and, as such, was the principal Catholic Chaplain to the RAAF. During this time, the Pope elevated him to the office of Monsignor.

After 28 years' service, he retired from the Air Force and returned to Sandhurst where he was appointed parish priest of Euroa and then to St Patrick's Wangaratta, where he remained until his retirement in April, 2013, retiring with the title "Pastor Emeritus". He has lived quietly in Yarrowonga for the past year, until his death last Monday, 23rd June, 2014.



Readings for
this week:

Acts 12:1-11
2 Timothy 4:6-8
Matthew 16:13-19



Readings for
next Sunday:

Zechariah 9:9-10
Romans 8:9, 11-13
Matthew 11:25-30



Liturgical Jottings

The MASS consists in some sense of two parts, namely the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, these being so closely interconnected that they form but one single act of worship. For in the Mass is spread the table both of God's Word and of the Body of Christ, and from it the faithful are to be instructed and refreshed. (GIRM 28)

Joy of the Gospel

Let us peer for a moment into the heart of St Paul, to see what his prayer was like. It was full of people: "I constantly pray with you in every one of my prayers for all of you... because I hold you in my heart." (Phil 1:4,7). Here we see that intercessory prayer does not divert us from true contemplation, since authentic contemplation always has a place for others.

Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium* n281

Looking at the Readings

The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul celebrates each man's contribution to the life of the Church. Jesus chooses Peter to lead the Church and he chooses Paul to be the Apostle to the Gentiles (non-Jews).

Peter was the first Pope. His successors, including Pope Francis, are said to occupy the Chair of Peter. Peter was responsible for the establishment of Christian communities in Jerusalem, Antioch, and Rome. His deeds are recorded in the Acts of the Apostles.

Paul comes to know Jesus through a profound conversion experience on his way to Damascus (Acts 9:1-9). At first he, Saul, persecuted followers of Jesus and indeed consents to the stoning of Stephen, the first Christian martyr. Paul takes the Good News to many parts of the Mediterranean world.

In this Gospel Matthew wants his readers to know that Jesus is a different type of Messiah to the one the Jews expected. He is not a prophet come back to life but the Son of the Living God. *Messiah* means the Christ, the anointed one, the Saviour, the Redeemer.

He gives Peter, and thereby the Church, the keys to the kingdom. He calls him *Petros* or Rock(y) on which he will build his Church. Peter, like all of us, is fully human. He is impetuous. He often spoke before thinking, yet he was the natural leader. What does this say about leadership? How do our leaders today measure up?

Memorable Memorial of the Week Friday 4 July

St Elizabeth of Portugal, princess of Aragon and grandniece of St Elizabeth of Hungary. As a widow she adopted a simple monastic lifestyle and lived in poverty as a Third Order Franciscan.

Quotable Quote

The reason there is sin and suffering in the world is not because we are weak, but rather because we are human. *Fr Richard Rohr ofm*

On the Lighter Side

On the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, in the Cathedral at San Antonio, Texas, a few years ago Archbishop Patrick Flores began his homily with a question. He asked: "Why do two great saints like Peter and Paul share a single feast day? Then he speculated, "Well, they couldn't get along here on earth, so God put them together in heaven." He then continued to say that there is some truth in it.



QUOTE -

'I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back.'

Evangelii Gaudium

The church is called to be the house of the Father, with doors always wide open. One concrete sign of such openness is that our church doors should always be open so that if someone, moved by the Spirit, comes there looking for God he or she will not find a closed door.'

Para 47 from *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis, Nov. 24, 2013