

# WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

## TATURA

Fr Michael Morley – Parish Priest

## KYABRAM

St Patrick's Tongala and St Sebastian's Merrigum

### Sacred Heart – Tatura

Telephone Tatura – 03 – 5824 1049

Fax Tatura – 03 – 5824 2745

Email [sacredhearttatura@bigpond.com](mailto:sacredhearttatura@bigpond.com)

Web [www.sacredheartparishtatura.com.au](http://www.sacredheartparishtatura.com.au)

### Presbytery – 65 Hogan Street

PO Box 110 TATURA 3616

Judith Steele – Secretary

### Parish Pastoral Council

Fr Michael, Anna Ciavarella, Anne Hutchison (Sec)

Trish Miller(Chair), Ged Pollard, , Trish Warnett,

Denise Woodman, Coral Reilly; John Ford



**Readings - Year B**  
Year of the Consecrated Life

### St Augustine's – Kyabram

Telephone Kyabram – 03 – 5852 1026

Fax Kyabram – 03 – 5853 1114

Email [kyabram@cdos.org.au](mailto:kyabram@cdos.org.au)

Website [www.staugparishky.org.au](http://www.staugparishky.org.au)

Presbytery – 63 Church Street

PO Box 341 KYABRAM 3620

Alma Limbrick-Pastoral Associate; Leanne Beck- Secretary

Colleen Catanese – Clerical; Ruth McGowan- Clerical

### Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Michael; Alma Limbrick; Luci Quinn;

Katrina Johnson; Joe Chant (Deputy Chair);

Nick Ciavarella; Helen Delahenty (Sec);

Joan Dickman; Brendon Lane(Chair);

Barry Pola; Pauline Shortis; Liz Withall

**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.**



*As Christ's disciples our mission is:*

\*to be inspired by Christ

\*to actively live out Christ's message and the Gospel values by respecting, celebrating and honouring our Catholic traditions

\*to provide welcome and sanctuary for all

\*to foster a sense of social justice and to protect, nurture and support our Catholic community and the wider community by respecting life, self, others and the environment.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## 15<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2015

### CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass will be held this year on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March, at the Sacred Heart Cathedral at 11.00am. Parish representatives will present oils to be blessed by the Bishop for use during the coming year. All are most welcome to attend this significant Mass for our Diocese.

If anyone from this parish would like to attend, please let Fr. Michael, Trish or Denice know so that we can arrange transport.

### "OPENING OUR EYES TO A GOD OF SURPRISES"

with Margaret Claver FCJ, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2015

10am – 3pm Venue: Monsignor Peter Jeffrey Centre, (directly behind St Brendan's Church)

St Brendan's Parish, 121 Knight St, Shepparton.

We invite all carers to join us for a day of recognition and support as we provide an opportunity to examine the caring experience from a hope filled perspective. Sr. Margaret Claver, Estela Hutchings and Anthony Kilmartin will lead the day providing helpful information, guidance and inspiration to those in caring roles. St. Brendan's Parish will provide a delicious morning tea and lunch. There will be no charge for the day but voluntary donations will be gratefully accepted. Please contact Anthony Kilmartin, Pastoral Associate, St Brendan's Parish on 5821 2633 or [anthonypastoral@bigpond.com](mailto:anthonypastoral@bigpond.com), Liz Grogan (0427 557 042 or [egrogan@sccv.org.au](mailto:egrogan@sccv.org.au)) Pastoral Associate at Ave Maria, 5831 300, for further details.

### 2015 EASTER TIMETABLE

Fr Brendan Byrne SJ will be helping out between Kyabram and Tatura again this Easter.

Reconciliation	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Kyabram	7.30pm
	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Tatura	7.30pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> April Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper		Kyabram	7:30pm
		Tatura	6:00pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> April Good Friday	Lord's Passion	Kyabram and Tatura	3:00pm
	Ecumenical Service	Kyabram Memorial Gardens	10:00am
	Stations of the Cross	Tatura, Sacred Heart	10:00am
4 <sup>th</sup> April Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil	Kyabram and Tatura	7:00pm
5 <sup>th</sup> April Easter Sunday	Mass	Kyabram and Tatura	10:00am

### Be a GOOD EGG this EASTER and buy SLAVERY-FREE CHOCOLATE.

Presently, many thousands of children as young as 12 years old are picking cocoa in West Africa to make the chocolate we eat. For more information and the identifying logos to look for, pick up an information sheet in the Narthex





<b>Those who have died recently</b>	Maria Magliocco (1 mth – deceased in Italy); Terry Doolan; Fr Jim Nihill
<b>Those whose Anniversary occurs</b>	Arcangelina Carrafa; Silvano Sgammotta; Osterino Posteraro; Innocenza Posteraro
<b>Our sick and their carers</b>	Jim O'Donovan; Noelene McGrath; Carolyn Cooper; Wade Reddrop; Lawrie Dwyer; Margaret Woodland; Andrea Cocks*** Knowles Beattie; Natasha Smith; Margaret Jensen; Stella Muscat; Sr Catherine Kelly

(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
10.00am 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Sue Nihill	Ann- Margaret Carroll	Carmel White	T & K Nihill	L McGrath C Serra P Baldwin	A & G Ranson

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK: 16 – 22 MARCH			
DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	16	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	17	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	No Mass
Wednesday	18	9.15AM Mass	5.00pm
Thursday	19	No Mass	9.15am
Friday	20	9.15am Mass	No Mass
Saturday	21	No Mass	6.30pm
Sunday	22	10.00am Mass	8.00am 11.30am Merrigum
ROSARY	15 mins before weekday Mass		
RECONCILIATION	21	11.30AM	

#### MARCH DIARY DATES

Mon	16	
Tues	17	PPC Meeting Parish Hall 7.00pm St Patrick's Day
Wed	18	
Thurs	19	Capital Planning meeting, Shep 4pm – Fr Michael
Frid	20	Sacred Heart Tatura Fete
Sat	21	
Sun	22	
Mon	23	Past Students & Friends AGM 7.30pm
Tues	24	Chrism Mass Bendigo 11.00am School Board Mtg. 7.00pm
Wed	25	Parish Reconciliation 7.30pm Kyabram
Thurs	26	Anointing Mass 1.30pm Bishop Vincent SIP 7.00pm Shepp
Frid	27	
Sat	28	
Sun	29	Palm Sunday

#### PASTORAL CARE

- Trish Miller 5824 1841; Marli Kelly 0457 772 869
- Anne Hutchison 5824 3460 Debbie Worm 5824 1841

#### rites + people + places

##### 2015 Liturgy Study Tour

(Four weeks from early November 2015)

This tour is especially suited to ▲ students, liturgical scholars, & educators ▲ those with liturgical responsibilities in parishes, schools & diocesan agencies ▲ and all who wish to enhance their expertise in liturgy.

Contact: ytustudytour@gmail.com

For further information: [www.ytu.edu.au](http://www.ytu.edu.au)

For more information see notice in the Narthex



This week we meet Sarita who was struggling to grow enough food for her family on her tiny farm plot in Nepal. In 2007, with the assistance of a program run by Caritas Nepal, she started a fish-raising business with 11 others. Now, they have a life-long source of food and income.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2015 and help people in rural Nepal create a life-long source of food and income to benefit entire communities.**

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting

[www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion)

or phoning 1800 024 413.

#### CWL CAKE STALL AT FETE

The Catholic Women's League will once again conduct the cake stall at the fete on Friday 20th March. Donations of cakes, slices, etc. would be very welcome and much appreciated. With thanks, Gwen Ranson, Secretary.

#### AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS SUPPORT ABORIGINAL PEOPLES

Please see the Media Release from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference in support of Aboriginal peoples in the Narthex. If you would like to take action, you can sign the petition at-

[www.avaaz.org/en/stop\\_the\\_shut\\_down](http://www.avaaz.org/en/stop_the_shut_down)

## 2015 PALM SUNDAY WALK FOR JUSTICE SUNDAY 29 MARCH.

The Walk for Justice for Refugees will commence at the State Library, corner Swanston & Latrobe Streets, Melbourne. There will be music from 1.30pm, speakers from 2 – 2.30pm, and then the crowd will Walk down Swanston Street to the Queen Victoria Gardens (opposite the National Gallery of Victoria) where there will be more music, speakers and activities. There is a long tradition of Palm Sunday marches in support of peace and other human rights issues.

The key messages for the Walk for Justice for Refugees: Seeking Asylum is a Human Right, and Close detention centres on Manus Island and Nauru.

For more details contact :

**Marie Hapke** [trconcepts@netspace.net.au](mailto:trconcepts@netspace.net.au) 0409 252 673

**Chris Breen** [cbreen70@hotmail.com](mailto:cbreen70@hotmail.com) 0403 013 183.

**REFLECTION** - This week, even though we are still journeying through Lent, I thought we could share this prayer that was used by our staff on Friday. It connects us to the story of Michelangelo seeing the potential of a work of art within a piece of marble. The story says that he once was looking at the grain of the marble and its strengths and he said 'I can see an angel imprisoned in the marble and I must set it free'. Jesus saw the potential in those he encountered. In many ways Lent is a time for us to see and listen for what God would have us be if we were to be transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit. At the start of Lent we were reminded that Pope Francis has called us to challenge indifference. I wonder if at times we become indifferent to the goodness within ourselves, our children, our colleagues, our neighbours. Let's take the time this week to help set some angels free.

*From St Augustine's College newsletter Luci Quinn Principal*

## SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB

Spirituality In The Pub - Terminus Hotel, Shepparton on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 7.30–9 pm (meals from 6pm). Join the conversation with **Sr Joanne Schatzlein osf from USA** in Australia for Franciscan Schools Conference, speaking on **Clare of Assisi: Light Bearer for our World Today - Clare the Author, Teacher, Leader and Saint.**

More info on fliers at back of church. Enq: Kerry 0408 579904 Frank 5821 4362.

## REFLECTIONS FOR LENT

### **John 3:14-21 Jesus meets Nicodemus**

One night a well-intentioned Pharisee, Nicodemus, sought counsel from Jesus. Jesus responded openly, giving him key insights into his own identity and mission.

Jesus explained to Nicodemus that God had sent his only Son into the world so that the world might be saved. Everyone who believed in the Son – the light of the world – would enjoy eternal life. Those who lived by this truth would themselves be a light in the world, a light to others.

Our journey through Lent to Easter reminds us that Jesus, the light, has come into the world dispelling the darkness of evil and restoring broken lives. One example of the light of Jesus – and the transformation it brings – is a project in rural Nepal where, despite its natural beauty, many people are very poor, barely surviving by farming small plots of land.

When Caritas Nepal, supported by Caritas Australia, initiated the Kolkatla Fish Raising Group eight years ago, one of the first to join was mother-of-three Sarita whose small farm was not producing enough to provide for her family.

Caritas Nepal gave the group of eight men and four women a low-interest loan, along with the training and equipment they needed to establish a successful business of raising and selling fish.

The group leased a natural pond on the northern side of their village, and with much hard work their business has grown to become one of the most successful enterprises supported by Caritas Nepal.

'The program has provided our family with good health and hope,' says Sarita. 'And it has become a platform for the unity and growth of the community.'

## SOME STATISTICS FROM CARITAS.

During Lent it is important to think, pray and do something for the poor and disadvantaged in our world. This 2015 let's make it our best yet parish donation to Project Compassion. Fill up our boxes and envelopes and make a difference.

There are 842 million people in the world do not have enough to eat. This number has fallen by 17% since 1990. (population of US, Canada & EU combined)

The vast majority of hungry people (827 million) live in developing countries, where 14.3% of the population is undernourished.

Asia has the largest number of hungry people (over 500 million) but Sub-Saharan Africa has the highest prevalence (24.8% of population).



**Readings  
for this  
week:**

2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23  
Ephesians 2:4-10  
John 3:14-21



**Readings for  
next week**

Jeremiah 31:31-34  
Hebrews 5:7-9  
John 12:20-33



### Year of Consecrated Life

During this year, a founder of a religious order or congregation will be featured on this page.

Nano Nagle (1718-1784) was born in Ballygriffin, Ireland, during the persecution of Irish Catholics. Nano's life of prayer, her concern for her people, her courage and perseverance inspired and enabled her to establish schools and support other works of charity for those who were poor and oppress-ed by unjust social structures. To give stability to her works, she arranged for the Ursuline Sisters to come to Ireland. When Nano realised that their rule did not allow the sisters to leave the cloister and thus to serve the poor in their own environment, she established, in 1775 at the age of 57, a religious community, later to become the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In Sandhurst convents were established in Rutherglen, Chiltern, Myrtleford and Heathcote.

### Focus on the Gospel

Each reading provides us with an example of divine mercy. God's use of Cyrus to deliver the Israelites, even though he was not a believer, shows that every circumstance and any person can demonstrate the scope of God's love. In fact, it is often the situation or the individual that we least expect that has been chosen to manifest God's mercy to us. This same mercy is seen as God brings us to life with Christ even when we were dead in sin.

Mercy means that strict justice is set aside in favour of compassion. Dispossessed people are raised out of defeat and given another chance. Sinners condemned to severe punishment are raised out of despair and offered a reprieve. The whole world is raised up out of darkness when God's own Son is sent into that world as saviour rather than as judge. God's mercy raises us out of loss and hopelessness, out of darkness and sin, so that we might enjoy the blessings of life.

We too have been raised up so that we might live in truth and might become the visible sign of God's mercy in the world. We have been made a new people, free from the restraints of the past. Joined with Christ we become God's handiwork, creations that bear the seal of the great creator. We are the very sacrament of God's mercy. The forgiveness that we have experienced and the new life within us shine forth as witness to the mercy of God.

### Did You Know?

The bronze serpent on the standard mentioned in today's Gospel (3:14) refers to when Moses raised it in the desert during the Exodus (Numbers 21:4-9) to heal those bitten by the deadly serpents. The same bronze serpent pops up again in 2 Kings 18 but in a different context. A modern replica exists near Mt Nebo, Jordan where on a clear day one can just make out Jerusalem. It remains a symbol of the medical and allied professions.

### Feasts of the Week

Very few feasts are celebrated during Lent. This week we have two: St Patrick (17 March) Apostle of Ireland where he preached to the pagans and firmly established the Catholic faith and St Joseph (19 March) husband to Mary and foster father to Jesus.

### On the Lighter Side

Q: What do you get when you cross poison ivy with a four-leaf clover? A: A rash of good luck.



Q: How is a best friend like a 4-leaf clover? A: Because they are hard to find and lucky to have.

© 2015 Diocese of Sandhurst

"Evangelii Gaudium" 216. *Small yet strong in the love of God, like Saint Francis of Assisi, all of us, as Christians, are called to watch over and protect the fragile world in which we live, and all its peoples.*