

WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

TATURAKYABRAM

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Readings - Year A

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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.**

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th July 2014



*Cuppa after
 Mass Today in
 the Mercy Centre.
 All Welcome.*

SEA SUNDAY – 13 JULY 2014

Throughout the history of mankind, the sea was the place where routes of explorers and adventurers intersected, and where battles determined the rise and fall of many nations. But it is, above all, a privileged place for exchange of goods and global trade. Actually, over 90% of merchandises worldwide are transported by nearly 100,000 ships, that unrelenting, are sailing from one end of the world to the other, run by a workforce of approximately 1.2 million seafarers of all races, nationalities and religions.

Due to a number of factors related to their profession, seafarers are invisible to us and to our society. As we celebrate Sea Sunday, every Christian is invited to look around and realise how many of the objects we use in our daily lives have come to us through the hard and laborious work of seafarers.

Please pray and give generously today in the **second collection** for these sailors that the Apostleship of the Sea can continue to care for all seafarers and their families.



CHURCH PAINTING

As you can see the interior of the Church is being painted. It has been an opportunity to dust off the "high points" and do some extra cleaning. Hopefully we won't be disrupted for too much longer. I'm sure you will agree that it is worth a bit of inconvenience.

SCHOOL RESUMES

We welcome students, staff and families back for the beginning of third term and trust that all had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday.

BIRTHDAYS

Our best wishes for some of our older Parishoners.

Theresa Elmecker - 94

Tom Deane Snr - 92

Peter Kerrins - 85

May God bless you all.

ST AUGUSTINE'S EAST TIMOR IMMERSION GROUP

To further our fundraising for our projects for our Immersion in September we are holding a Casino Night on Saturday 9th August at 7pm.

Tickets are priced at \$30.00 each and include supper and \$20,000.00 Casino Fun Dollars.

Come along, dress up, try your luck with our raffles and have a fun night out with your friends.

Tickets available from Liza Curtis on ph 0429189141 or Chantelle Webb on ph 0400311615 or at Bakers Delight.





Those who have died recently	Fr Gerry Gallagher
Those whose Anniversary occurs	Lui Pegoraro; Guiseppina Casuscelli; Felice LoPiccolo
Our sick and their carers	Kerry Hogan; Lawrie Dwyer; Margaret Woodland; Mons. Peter Jeffrey*** 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 July 19 th 6.00pm	John Harford	Trish Warnett	Margaret Corrigan	J Cummins J Webster	J Scrimizzi, S Finlayson, D Woodman	Simon Cowan
Sun 20 th July 8.00am	Coral Reilly	Debbie Worm	Fiona Cowan	K Stewart	C Coulston, T Miller, B Curtis	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK: 14 th -20 th July			
DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	14 th	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	15 th	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday	16 th	No Mass	5.00pm - Intention – Frank Bergin
Thursday	17 th	No Mass	9.15am
Friday	18 th	Mass 9.15am	No Mass
Saturday	19 th	Mass 6.00pm	No Mass
Sunday	20 th	Mass 8.00am	10.00am
ROSARY		9.00am before weekday Mass	
RECONCILIATION	19 th	11.30am	

SACRED HEART SCHOOL BOARD

We thank Anne Hutchison, Gary Webster and Clare Thompson who accepted nomination for the two vacant Board positions. We congratulate Clare and Gary on being elected to the Sacred Heart School Board for a term of two years. We thank Ron Powles and Judith Bujold for the time and efforts whilst on the Board. We have valued your support, input, time and dedication.

This prayer by St Augustine was on the bereavement card of Mons John White MBE.

God of our life,
There are days when
the burdens we carry
chafe our shoulders
and weigh us down;
when the road seems
dreary and endless,
the skies gray and threatening.
When our lives have no music in them,
and our hearts are lonely,
and our souls have lost their courage.
Flood the path with light,
turn our hearts to brave music;
give us the sense of comradeship
with heroes and saints of every age;
and so quicken our spirits
that we may be able to encourage
the souls of all who journey with us
on the road of life,
to your hour of glory.

- St Augustine

JULY DIARY DATES		
Mon	14 th	School Term 3 Commences
Tues	15 th	
Wed	16 th	
Thurs	17 th	Diocesan Finance Council Bendigo Fr Morley
Frid	18 th	
Sat	19 th	Mass 6.00pm
Sun	20 th	Mass 8.00am
Mon	21 st	
Tues	22 nd	'Living Communion: The Ministry of Parish Councils' Bendigo, see Bulletin Notice
Wed	23 rd	'Living Communion: The Ministry of Parish Councils' Wangaratta, see Bulletin Notice
Thurs	24 th	
Frid	25 th	
Sat	26 th	
Sun	27 th	Mass 10.00am
PASTORAL CARE		
- Trish Miller 5824 1841 - Anne Hutchison 5824 3460		

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

CARITAS NEWS is a special 50th

Anniversary edition. Caritas says "Though the poor are at the heart of our work, it is our supporters that make the work possible. Indeed, our story is your story! For 50 years, Australians have generously committed their time, prayer and gifts to empower the poor to be architects of their own future." Free copies available at the back of the Church.

RETREATS

Upcoming events at Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality . . . Retreat dates, places and booking details are on the notice board in the Narthex.

Sowing and Growth

Today's first reading assures us that God's word shall ... "achieve what it was sent to do."

In the Gospel parable Jesus invites us to look into ourselves and see how we accept God's Word into our lives and how much fruit we produce.

Just as the farmer in the parable allows seed to fall in unlikely places, so God offers the seed of grace even where it might be rejected.

How good is our soil? We might be shallow ground or rocky soil. Weeds might choke us. We might pretend to be rich soil, though we know our shallowness. The seed grows where there is openness to the word (faith), trust in its power (hope), and a readiness to go out of ourselves (love).

Every year farmers sow seed in hope of a harvest, knowing full well that drought, storm, pests or disease can bring it all to ruin. However it is the hope of a harvest—no matter how abundant—that warrants the effort.

Both in the parable itself and in Jesus' explanation of it, he indicates that seeds falling on rich soil do not all produce the same wealth—some thirty-, some sixty-, some a hundredfold. Yet as we take in God's word and live it we receive more than even a hundredfold. God gives us fullness of Life forever.

FR. GERRY GALLAGHER

Father Gerald (Gerry) Gallagher died peacefully on Monday 7th July.

Fr Gerry's health gradually declined over a long period from Parkinson's disease. Recently he broke his hip which added to his distress.

Gerry was ordained on 10th August 1968 and worked in the parishes of Cohuna, St Kilian's, Tatura, Beechworth, Wangaratta, Myrtleford and, in recent times, as Parish Priest of St Mary's, Golden Square. During the period 1981-1984 he was the National Chaplain to the Young Christian Students.

He will be remembered also for the establishment of CentaCare within our Diocese in 1986. Fr Gerry's pastoral care and concern for people undergoing trauma in their lives was outstanding and will be fondly and gratefully remembered by many.

'LIVING COMMUNION: THE MINISTRY OF PARISH PASTORAL COUNCILS.'

Dr Aoife McGrath has a Doctorate in Moral Theology from the Pontifical University, Maynooth and MA in Chaplaincy Studies and Pastoral Work from Mater Dei Institute of Education, Dublin. She has experienced a variety of parish ministries as a lay pastoral worker in Ireland. Parish Pastoral Council Members and all interested parishioners are invited reflect upon the roles and ministry of Parish Pastoral Councils in our communities - focusing on four basic responsibilities.

Cost: Donation. 'Cuppa' included.

Tues 22 July 7.00pm – 9:00pm Bishop de Campo Hall CEO Buildings 120 Hargreaves St BENDIGO
RSVP: (03) 5441 2544

E: adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

Wed 23 July 7.00 – 9.00 pm St Brigid's Centre St Patrick's Parish / CEO 71 Ryley St WANGARATTA

RSVP: (03) 5722 1970

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"A field is a place for sowing seeds. This means that the field of faith is your own heart, it is your life. It is your life that Jesus wants to enter with His word, with His presence. Please, let Christ and His word enter your life, blossom and grow."

Pope Francis, Vigil with Young People, Rio de Janeiro,
27 July 2013

Feast Day of the Week – St Bonaventure (July 15)

Bonaventure of Bagnoregio (ca. 1217 to 15 July 1274), the religious name of Giovanni di Fidanza, was a Franciscan friar, Master of Theology at the University of Paris, Minister General of the Franciscan Order, and Cardinal of the Catholic Church. During his lifetime he rose to become one of the most prominent men in Latin Christianity. His academic career as a theologian was cut short when in 1257 he was put in charge of the Order of Friars Minor (O.F.M.). He steered the Franciscans on a moderate and intellectual course that made them the most prominent order in the Catholic Church until the coming of the Jesuits.

VOCATIONS WEEK 2014

Let us meet the challenge of a shortage of priests.

Vocations Week this year is from **2nd to 10th August**.

This is a special time for all to "Pray that the Lord of the harvest sends labourers into His harvest." You may wish to organise something personal, or perhaps in your parish, or your school during this week.

In Bendigo, from Monday 4th August to Friday 8th August there will be Mass at 8.00am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and prayers finishing at 10.00am at The Poor Clares Monastery Edwards Road, Kennington. If you possibly can, please make an effort to attend for all or part of the week. Our vision is for each parish to have a parish priest. Serra International Bendigo branch.

CATHOLIC CARISMATICS

Flood your soul with living water! What water can do for your body, Jesus can do for your soul. Become -

Nourished, Renewed, Transformed.

You are invited to quench your thirst.

Saturday 16th August (10am-4pm)

St. Brendan's Church, Mgr Peter Jeffrey Centre,
121 Knight St. Shepparton.

Guest Speakers including Fr. Rob Galea.

BYO Lunch, Morning and Afternoon Tea.

For more information contact: St. Brendan's Presbytery
03 5821 2633, Gerri Boldrini 02 6056 2442 or

gerradinabo@bigpond.com.

No charge – Donation gratefully accepted.

Fr Paul Turner, Leading International Liturgist

Fr Paul Turner, a leading international liturgist, will visit our diocese on **Monday August 18**. He will give two talks at the Mons Peter Jeffrey Centre, at St Brendan's Shepparton. The first talk (1.30pm) is on the Creative use of the Lectionary and the evening talk (7.30pm) is on Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy.

Please consider bringing a carload or two from the parish. The visit is sponsored by Bishop Leslie, the Diocesan Liturgical Commission and the Catholic Education Office. For more information

jfho@bigpond.com or 03 5443 0363.



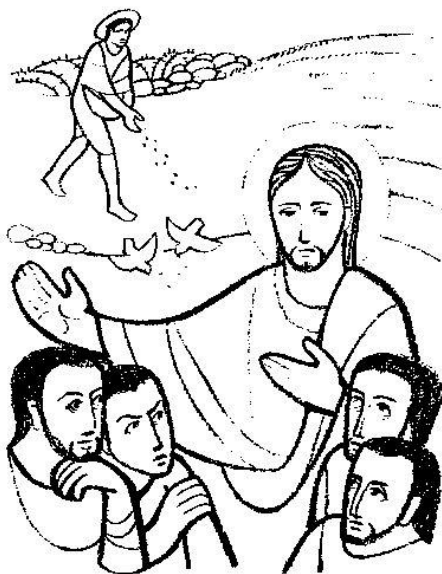
Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 55:10-11
Romans 8:18-23
Matthew 13:1-23



Readings for
next Sunday:

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
Romans 8:26-27
Matthew 13:24-43



Liturgical Jottings

Through the Yearly Cycle, the Church unfolds the entire mystery of Christ and keeps the anniversaries of the saints. Ordinary Time is devoted to celebrating the mystery of Christ in all its aspects. (Ordo 2014)

Joy of the Gospel

Evangelisation is not to be left to the “professionals” while the rest of us are passive recipients. Through baptism every Christian is challenged to be actively engaged in evangelisation, and there is a certain urgency about this calling. Indeed, anyone who has truly experienced God’s saving love does not need much time or lengthy training to go out and proclaim that love.

Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium* n120

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Looking at the Readings

Where the Seed Lands. Jesus was sitting by the sea when a large crowd gathered to hear him teach, so large that he got into a boat and sat in it out on the water. Perhaps he could see a sower sowing his field - maybe his whole crowd could because the Sea of Galilee is ringed with fields. Even today sowers can be seen sowing seed in the furrows of their fields here at planting time. Jesus taught using commonplace language about something the crowds understood and could relate to as part of their everyday experience. And that's exactly what he did here. They understood sowing; they did it all the time. As he spoke he may even have pointed out just such a person. Starting with something ordinary he moves his listeners to something more profound.

The sower is anyone who sows the seed which is the Word of God. First of all it was Jesus, it was the Apostles, it was Paul and now it's us. So the parable is all about spreading the Gospel. Basically, Jesus was saying that no matter how good you are at sowing, and no matter how good the seed is not all of it will grow and bear fruit. After the Crucifixion, Resurrection, Ascension, and Pentecost—that is, after all the excitement was over and the followers of Jesus had to face the harsh realities of their mission of taking the Gospel to the four corners of the earth—they could remember this parable and take heart when not everyone received their message and responded as they might wish. There's more to sowing than the sower and the seed, there is the reception that the seed finds when it is planted.

Quotable Quote

He or she who knows that enough is enough will always have enough. (Lao Tzu)

On the Lighter Side

A teacher, preparing the children just before they were to go to Mass, asked "And why is it important to be quiet in church?" Annie replied, "Because people are sleeping".



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.

Reflection

The word of God is to the human heart what a seed is to the earth. And just as a seed needs favourable soil, so the word of God needs a receptive heart.

Blessing

May the word of God be a lamp for your steps and a light for your path. May the message of Christ in all its richness find a home in you. And may you remember that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory that awaits us in the next.

-Flor McCarthy