

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.**

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th August 2014



CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST

We welcome Bishop Leslie to our Parish celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation - Confirmation and First Communion. I would like to extend my thanks to the children, their parents, sponsors and staff at Sacred Heart School.

Thank you also to our special ministers, commentator, servers, musicians, singers, collectors, sacristan, and screen operator. Special thanks to the Parishioners who have continued praying for the children during their journey towards this day. Thank you all and God Bless!

Planned Giving Campaign

Forward notice.... The next Planned Giving Campaign is due to commence in October. We hope you will give serious thought to becoming involved in the campaign and answer the call when the team requests volunteers. As you have read we have many maintenance issues to deal with, and we need a commitment from all parishioners to help meet the church's day-to-day running costs and to move forward with confidence to deal with our major maintenance items. Whilst some income is generated by fund raising (\$5,000 from the fete etc.), giving through our planned giving scheme lies at the heart of the financial security of the parish. Our current campaign commenced with a promise of \$1,525 per week (which was only equal to the promise made in the 2001 campaign). To date we have averaged only \$1,345 per week – a total shortfall for the 3 year period of \$30,000. Therefore the next campaign will be very important.

SEAFARER'S SUNDAY

Grateful thanks to all who contributed to Seafarer's Sunday. The total was \$1,597.

PARISH MAINTENANCE WORK

As you know we have been slowly beginning much needed maintenance work on parish buildings. The Church now looks beautiful and fresh after painting. The total cost was \$19,500.

We have also commenced plumbing work to halt rising damp in the Parish Hall and the convent. and to prevent the collapse of the rear wall of the hall. No doubt those of you who have been inside the hall have noticed the large cracks in the back wall and the kitchen wall. Old pipes have been replaced and the new ones will be connected to storm water outlets soon. There is no water collecting at the foundations of the buildings now. The guttering on the hall toilet block has been replaced. We do not have an estimate of the total plumbing repair works but they will be expensive. Repairs to the water main at the convent recently cost \$1,025. We are doing repairs in stages to both soften the blow but to systematically get them done.

This is just the beginning. There is also significant work to be done on the hall toilets to repair a burst pipe in the double brick back wall of the toilet block. The Church roof (on the side chapel) and guttering will be another major repair job coming up in the near future together with ongoing repairs to the leadlight windows in the Church (cost \$18,000 each). Old pipes and storm water issues need to be attended to at the Presbytery as well. Old pipes and water are our major and costly problem at the moment.

Solidarity Bread Day

On Thursday, 21st August, Sacred Heart School is participating in a Solidarity Bread day with a short liturgy. This is not a fundraiser, just a simple Bread Lunch eaten by students and staff in solidarity with the world's poor. As a Parish we, too, could participate in this simple act, and Contemplate what we can do to help those in need.

SANDPIPER – If you haven't yet done so, don't forget to collect your free copy of the August issue of **Sandpiper** the Sandhurst Diocesan paper.



Those who have died recently	Jim Caldwell; Floss Bau; George Watson
Those whose Anniversary occurs	David Atkins; Loyola de Ignacia Baric; Fr John Leahy
Our sick and their carers	Heather Carter; Carol Lovett; Kerry Hogan; Lawrie Dwyer; Margaret Woodland; Mons. Peter Jeffrey*** Glenn Spicer; Doug Fiske

(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
Sun 24 th August 10.00am	Trish Miller	Maria Spedding	Carmel White	P & L Kerrins Family	AM Carroll, L Kerrins, L McGrath	L & D Worm

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK: 18 th -24 th August			
DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	18 th	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	19 th	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday	20 th	9.15am Mass	5.00pm
Thursday	21 st	No Mass	1.30pm Anointing Mass
Friday	22 nd	9.15am Mass	No Mass
Saturday	23 rd	No Mass	6.30pm
Sunday	24 th	10.00am	8.00am 11.30am Merrigum
ROSARY		Before weekday Mass	
RECONCILIATION	23 rd	11.30am	

AUGUST DIARY DATES

Mon	18 th	Spirituality in the Pub, Shepparton – see Bulletin notice Fr Paul Turner, Shepparton – see Bulletin notice
Tues	19 th	Bishop Robert Morneau “How can we be a ‘Church of Mercy’?” and “Living the Joy of the Gospel”, Shepparton – see Bulletin notice
Wed	20 th	Morning Coffee Conversation with Moral Theologian, Suzanne Mulligan, Shepparton – see Bulletin notice
Thurs	21 st	Deanery Meeting St Mel’s - Fr. Michael Solidarity Bread day Sacred Heart School
Frid	22 nd	
Sat	23 rd	menALIVE weekend, Bendigo – see Bulletin notice
Sun	24 th	Mass 10.00am St Vincent de Paul Regional Quarterly Meeting after 8.00am Mass in Ky. Diocesan Liturgy Meeting 2.30pm – Fr. Michael
Mon	25 th	
Tues	26 th	School Fete Meeting School Board Meeting 7:30pm
Wed	27 th	
Thurs	28 th	Service of Remembrance St Augustine’s Anglican Parish Maude St Shepparton 2.00pm See Notice Board
Frid	29 th	
Sat	30 th	Mass 6.00pm
Sun	31 st	Mass 8.00am. Multicultural Mass Kyabram 10.00am

PASTORAL CARE

- Trish Miller 5824 1841
- Anne Hutchison 5824 3460

Keep calling out...

The boldness of the Canaanite woman of today’s Gospel inspires us to ask: What or who do I care about so passionately that I will not give up my pleas to God, despite feeling like I am being ignored or that God has no interest in my prayer? What have we stopped speaking to God about? What desires, seemingly ignored or refused, have we stopped praying? Maybe the question is not, as we hear so often, “Why doesn’t God answer my prayers?” But rather, what happens to us when we stop seeking, pleading and praying? Perhaps our hearts shrink little by little, our capacity for mystery and compassion weakened.

Today’s first and second readings set us up for the drama that unfolds in the gospel, God’s love and mercy are universal - inclusive, all-encompassing, complete – for all peoples of all time. The Isaiah passage describes a God who longs to be in relationship with ALL peoples; one who desires that “my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples”; it doesn’t matter whether they are “locals” or “foreigners.” God’s justice and salvation are generously promised and given to all who sincerely seek the Lord.

Similarly, in the second reading, Paul’s fervent plea comes to the fore: God’s mercy is intended for all, whether Jew or Gentile.

Like the woman in the gospel sincerely seeking healing for her daughter, our faith must be great enough to overcome barriers, must focus persistently on Jesus, and must bear the fruit of recovery and healing for others. In seeking God’s mercy, love and healing let us be as bold as the Canaanite woman to believe in it and to act on it.

MULTICULTURAL MASS & LUNCHEON There will be a practice in St. Augustine’s Church Kyabram on Thursday 28th August at 6 pm. At the Multicultural Mass and Lunch on 31st August, you will be invited to wear a name tag and to share some details about your cultural background.
An Example

Your name: Freda
Country of Birth: Australia
Cultural background: England, France and Holland (your ancestors)

Raffle for East Timor

Raffle for East Timor - (Trailer Load of Wood), winner Maureen Shepard. Many thanks to parishioners for your support of the raffle and East Timor projects.

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.

Spirituality in the Pub

Terminus Hotel, Shepparton
on **Monday 18th August**
7.30 – 9 pm
(meals from 6pm optional)



THE PARISH: Engine of Mission in the Australian Church? with **David Timbs**, Biblical scholar & lecturer from Melbourne & **Alma Limbrick**, Pastoral Associate, Kyabram. We hope to provide a stimulating discussion on the potential of Parish life. More information on fliers in the Narthex. Enquiries: Kerry 0408 579 904

A CONVERSATION WITH BISHOP ROBERT MORNEAU "HOW CAN WE BE A 'CHURCH OF MERCY'?" When: 5-6 pm Tues 19 August
Where: St Brendan's Parish Centre Knight St SHEPPARTON with optional Meal 'finger food' (\$10) at 6 pm. Bookings 'Conversation Only' OR 'with Meal' (\$10): St Brendan's Parish
E: shepparton@sandhurst.catholic.org.au (03) 5821 2633
OR adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au
Ph: (03) 5441 2544.

"LIVING THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL" with Bishop Robert Morneau, Wisconsin (US), poet, author, lecturer & retreat leader and **Dr Suzanne Mulligan**, Pontifical University, Maynooth (Ireland) Moral Theologian, Social Justice writer. When: 7.30 – 9.30 pm Tuesday 19 August 2014. Where: Mons Peter Jeffrey Parish Centre, Knight St, SHEPPARTON.
Bookings: St Brendan's Parish
E: shepparton@sandhurst.catholic.org.au (03) 5821 2633
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OR (03) 5441 2544. Cost: Donation. 'Cuppa' provided.
Mary said 'yes'. What are we saying 'yes' to in our daily life? With Mary as our guide, how do we 'trace the spirit' of justice and tenderness in the joys and sorrows of our life? *Adult Faith Education Sandhurst acknowledges with thanks, Sandhurst Catholic Education Office co-sponsorship which supports our work together in our diocese.

SANDHURST SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

You are invited to a Morning Coffee Conversation with Moral Theologian Suzanne Mulligan on Wednesday 20th August 10 am – 12 noon at the Terminus Hotel High St Shepparton. Topic: Engaging Ethical Dilemmas in the Modern World.
RSVP essential Donation \$10.00 by Wednesday 13th August to Kerry Stone Phone 0408 579 904 or email kmstone@bigpond.net.au

WORDS OF WISDOM – from Saint Pope John Paul II [Speaking of marriage and family] In this entire world there is not a more perfect, more complete image of God, Unity and Community. There is no other human reality which corresponds more, humanly speaking, to that divine mystery.'

VOCATIONS AND THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

A few years ago an American parish, St. Mathias, East Lynne, Connecticut, commenced a program of prayer for vocations to the priesthood during Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament, and almost miraculously, experienced three vocations to the priesthood from the parish within a month.

That parish had not had one vocation to the priesthood in the sixty five years of its existence.

Extraordinary, yes. However, perhaps not so dramatically, a growth in vocations is experienced wherever prayer for vocations is associated with Jesus in The Blessed Sacrament.

Hopefully we are all praying daily for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us add to this by seeking out Adoration if it is available in our area, or Benediction, or perhaps visits to Jesus present in the tabernacle. "The harvest is great but the labourers are few, pray that the lord of the harvest sends labourers into His harvest". Mt9:37.38

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menALIVE Parish Based Weekend Event Bendigo August 23-24, 2014

menALIVE recognizes that a man's spirituality can often be much encouraged in the company of other men and provides an opportunity for men to share their faith and review what matters most in their lives, whilst enjoying one another's company. The parish based weekends are able to reignite the fire in men's hearts by fostering daily prayer, fellowship, service or mission and the support of priests. In many cases this leads to complementary support of the mission and programmes of the diocese.

We strongly urge you to experience this event for yourself. Participants have found the event to be beneficial, enlightening and life changing. It is pivotal in energizing and revitalising individuals, relationships, prayer life and much more.

Any enquiries can be directed to www.menalive.org.au or to Mr Terry Westaway, who is the contact for the Sandhurst Diocese at: goldensquare.pa@outlook.com phone: 0419 117 105.

ALONG THE TRACK

The Kingdom of God is Here

"Jesus began his ministry after forty days and nights in the desert. He crossed the Jordan and walked back to the town of Capernaum in his beloved Galilee. He was about 32 years old....."

This is part of the first paragraph from Jim Quillinan's Along the Track article. If you would like to read the rest of this article, it can be found on our Parish website at

www.sacredheartparishtatura.com.au

If you put your name down to receive a printed copy of Jim Quillinan's 'Along the Track' article, it is available in the Narthex.



Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 56:1,6-7
Romans 11:13-15
Matthew 15:21-28



Readings for
next Sunday:

Isaiah 22:19-23
Romans 11:33-36
Matthew 16:13-20



Liturgical Jottings

Communion from the Cup 3

In the Eucharist we continue to respond to Jesus' invitation. We give thanks to God as we tell the story of Jesus. On the night before he died, he took bread and wine, gave thanks to God over them, and gave them to his followers: "Take this... and eat it: this is my body... Take this... and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood... Do this in memory of me." As the Church's understanding of the Eucharist developed, it became clearly understood that the whole Christ is truly present either in the form of bread or wine. The practice of communion in the form of bread alone eventually became common.

Quotable Quote

It is better to say one Our Father fervently and devoutly than a thousand with no devotion and full of distraction. *St. Edmund*

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Looking at the Readings

The overarching theme derived from today's readings is the question of insider-outsider. We see here that the divisions and barriers that emerge out of human experience have been shattered by the graciousness of God. Jesus' openness to 'the other' finds a precedent in the prophetic tradition. Isaiah spoke of a time when outsiders would join insiders in worshipping God, thus dissolving the categories of insider and outsider. He was, of course, referring to the age of eschatological fulfilment. This age dawned with the coming of Jesus. Jesus himself moved out of the constraints of his own cultural worldview, and he directs us to do the same. People are either excluded because of gender, culture or religious perspective, or included only because they are able and willing to conform to discriminatory standards. In the reign of God, this should not be the case. People are accepted along with their own cultural profiles.

God's embrace first enclosed even those who rejected Jesus, and then God's plan of salvation unfolded in a new way. An invitation to enter the kingdom was issued to the Gentiles, those who had been considered outsiders. If outsiders are now insiders, what has happened to the former insiders? Paul insists that they are still insiders. God has not simply shifted the identifying boundaries; God has dissolved them. In the interim between the dawning of the eschatological age and the end of time, the invitation to be included remains open to all. © Dianne Bergant CSS

Joy of the Gospel

The Parish is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a centre of constant missionary outreach. We must admit, though, that the call to review and renew our parishes has not yet sufficed to bring them nearer to people, to make them environments of living communion and participation, and to make them completely mission-oriented. *Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium n 28*



On the Lighter Side

Four monks were meditating. All of a sudden the prayer flag on the roof started flapping. The youngest monk said: "Flag is flapping" A more experienced monk said: "Wind is flapping" A senior monk said: "Mind is flapping." The fourth and eldest monk, visibly annoyed, said: "Mouths are flapping!"



GOULBURN VALLEY HOSPICE SERVICE

Would like to invite you, your family and friends to the **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE** at St Augustine's Church, Maude Street, Shepparton, on Thursday 28th August 2014. Service will begin at 2pm. All welcome. See notice in Narthex.

FABULOUS FLOWERS AND FINE FOOD.

Tatura Anglican Parish Thursday 4th September 12.30 to 3.30pm. Cost \$25 Gourmet Lunch followed by flower arranging demonstration by Dianne and Malcolm Blake. Bookings close 28th August. Contact Iola and Ron Ibrhaim 5824 8265 or Elaine & Neil Lowe 5826 2643