

WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

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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.

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.



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st September 2014

MASSES OVER THE NEXT WEEK

As Fr Michael will be away in Cebu from 17th to 27th September, Masses at Tatura are as follows during the next week:

- **Sunday, 21st September** – Liturgy of the Word with Communion at 10.00am.
- **Tuesday, 23rd September** – Liturgy of the Word with Communion at 9.15am.
- **Wednesday, 24th September** – Liturgy of the Word with Communion at 9.15am.
- **Friday, 26th September** – Liturgy of the Word with Communion at 9.15am.
- **Sunday 28th September** – 10.00am Mass. Followed by Fr Michael's birthday lunch.

MARIAN FESTIVAL

Bishop Leslie Tomlinson invites people of the Sandhurst Diocese to the 40th Anniversary of the Marian Festival to be celebrated at the Sacred Heart Cathedral on **Sunday, 5th October**, commencing with 11.00am Mass and concluding with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 3.30pm.
 Bishop Tomlinson will be the guest speaker at 2.30pm.
 The devotions during the afternoon will include Scapular Enrolment, Procession, Rosary, Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart, Confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
 Tea and Coffee will be available at lunchtime. BYO lunch. There will be afternoon tea in the cathedral hall at 3.40pm. All are most welcome to attend.

FR. MICHAEL'S 70TH BIRTHDAY

Next **Sunday 28th September** after 10am Mass, families are invited to help celebrate Fr Michael's 70th birthday.

Venue: St Mary's Hall

BYO lunch enough for your family (it will be a shared lunch so something suitable to place on a shared table).

Tea, coffee and cordial provided. Please keep this date free!

This week, after the Liturgy we will take up a collection for Fr. Michael's 70th Birthday present.

Please be generous as this is a very special birthday!

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PCC)

The PCC is now looking for new members.

Do you know a parishioner who is committed to their faith and parish and who could:

- Bring to the PCC their individual energies, gifts and abilities as a leader.
- Work collaboratively with Fr Michael and other Councillors
- Minister to the pastoral needs of the parish community
- Be accessible and available to parishioners
- Listen and understand the issues affecting the lives of parishioners

If you know someone like this why not nominate them on the forms provided in the Narthex and put your nominations in the box. Term of membership is two years. Nominations close on 10th October.



Those who have died recently	Rosaria DeGirolamo
Those whose Anniversary occurs	Mary Anne Curtis; Lina Villani; Michael Lawlor; Michele Ciavarella; Isabel Slaughter; Lucy Mangan.
Our sick and their carers	Carolyn Cooper, Jim O'Donovan; Kerry Hogan; Lawrie Dwyer; Margaret Woodland; Mons John White *** 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 28 th Sep 10am	John Harford	Ann Margaret Carroll	Nan Lawlor	Tim Nihill Family	L Kerrins L McGrath P Baldwin	Bill Woods

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK: 22 nd -28 th September			
DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	22 nd	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	23 rd	9.15 Liturgy of the Word with Communion	No Mass
Wednesday	24 th	9.15 Liturgy of the Word with Communion	No Mass
Thursday	25 th	No Mass	No Anointing Mass
Friday	26 th	9.15 Liturgy of the Word with Communion	No Mass
Saturday	27 th	No Mass	No Mass
Sunday	28 th	10.00am Mass	8.00am
ROSARY	15 mins before weekday Mass		
RECONCILIATION	27 th	-	

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER DIARY DATES		
Mon	22 nd	School Holidays Commence Ordination to the Diaconate – see Bulletin notice
Tues	23 rd	Feast of St Padre Pio
Wed	24 th	
Thurs	25 th	
Frid	26 th	
Sat	27 th	Fr Michael returns from Cebu Feast of St Vincent de Paul
Sun	28 th	10.00am Mass. Fr Michael's birthday lunch.
Mon	29 th	Feast of Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
Tues	30 th	Fr Michael Harrierville CEO
Wed	1 st	Fr Michael Harrierville CEO CWL Meeting 2.00pm Parish Hall Feast of St Therese of the Child Jesus
Thurs	2 nd	Professional Standards Fr Michael Melbourne Feast of Guardian Angels
Frid	3 rd	
Sat	4 th	Mass 6.00pm Tatura. St Augustine's College 110th Anniversary Dinner – see Bulletin notice
Sun	5 th	Mass 8.00am Tatura. Marian Festival, Bendigo – see Bulletin notice
PASTORAL CARE		
- Trish Miller 5824 1841 - Anne Hutchison 5824 3460		

Why be envious because I am generous?

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord," words from Isaiah which underline Jesus' teaching in today's gospel story of the Labourers in the Vineyard; a parable about the extraordinary generosity of God. About the first and the last being equally deserving of the same reward Jesus' parable teaches us that we are all equally loved by God. Raising this question of who is first and who is last in the kingdom of heaven it is about a wealthy landowner who pays all his workers the same wage regardless of how many hours they worked. Those labourers are last who shift their focus from doing the work of the landowner to grumbling about the amount of wages *others* are receiving. Those are first who receive their wages gratefully privileged to share in the work of the landowner.

Perhaps there's a part of each one of us that believes that God will reward us exactly as we might think we deserve. We might think we've worked hard in the Master's vineyard, we've put in our hours, and we've paid our dues. Who knows, at the end of the day that is our life, we might discover that none of us belongs to the 6 a.m. crew. But that we're all five-clockers! But our hope lies with God, and we have Jesus' parable, showing us that the owner of the vineyard that is our world is just as generous as that landowner in the parable. And for that we are thankful.

New rosters available in the Narthex.

GV Spirituality in the Pub invites you to **DINNER** with **Bishop Vincent Long van Nguyen, OFM, auxiliary bishop of Melbourne** who has travelled a journey from boat person to bishop! Bishop Long will speak on **Finding Hope In Troubled Times** at **The Vault Restaurant** Shepparton at **7 pm** on **Thursday 20th November**. Pre-paid bookings necessary. Further information on fliers at back of church. Tickets: \$48 includes 3 course meal Contact: Julie 0418 101591 Kerry 0408 579904

STEWARDSHIP 2014

Stewardship 2014 in the Combined Parishes of Kyabram and Tatura begins officially **three weeks** from today. This is a crucial time in the life of our Parish as Stewardship provides us with the resources to fund every aspect of Parish life – from donations to debt reduction. We have an opportunity to be visionary, to plan the future with confidence, to teach true Christian giving and to breathe a new way of living into our Parish Community.

Please join us in praying for the success of the Program:

Program Prayer

Lord, we thank you for calling us to be your Church.

Through our Baptism we are called to ministry and to witness.

In the Eucharist we sustain and strengthen that call.

By serving others we follow Your example and proclaim our beliefs.

By our Christian generosity we demonstrate our love and caring.

Help us Lord to always worship You as You deserve, to grow in faith and service

and to give without counting the cost.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.

Amen



National Day of Prayer and Fasting Friday 10 October for the Synod on the Family.

The Bishops of Australia invite us all to pray earnestly for the Synod on the Family taking place in Rome 5-19 October and especially to join in a National Day of Prayer on Friday 10th October.

The theme of the Synod is "The Pastoral Challenges of the Family in the Context of Evangelization."

Prayer for the Synod of the Family

In answer to the call from our Holy Father, Pope Francis, we pray for all those meeting in Rome for the Synod on the Family. May it be 'a precious treasure to enrich the Church. May the Church undertake a true journey of discernment and adopt the necessary pastoral means to help families face their present challenges with the light and strength that comes from the Gospel'.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer.

Extracts from Pope Francis' 'Letter to Families'. 25 February 2014.

Evangelii Gaudium

"The study of the sacred Scriptures must be a door opened to every believer. It is essential that the revealed word radically enrich our catechesis and all our efforts to pass on the faith. Evangelization demands familiarity with God's word, which calls for dioceses, parishes and Catholic associations to provide for a serious, ongoing study of the Bible, while encouraging its prayerful individual and communal reading."

- Para 175 from *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis, Nov. 24, 2013

Living the Joy of the Gospel in Parishes

Proclaim 2014 conference last August offered practical tips into evangelisation and facilitating parish growth. If you are interested in receiving some of these invaluable insights, workshop and keynote presentations are available as visual or audio for FREE online.

www.proclaimconference.com.au/resources

HELP WELCOMED!!

Dear Sacred Heart Parents, Grandparents and Parishioners

Sacred Heart School would like to extend an Invitation to help our Students

by volunteering your time and using your Gifts and Talents.

Do you enjoy the company of primary school students?

Are you keen to help students to find Positive Play Choices?

Do you have a willingness to share your gifts and talents with our students?

Have you got 30 minutes per week you could use to volunteer to supervise an activity for a small group of students at Sacred Heart?

Have you got a current Working with Children's (Volunteer or Paid Work) Card?

If so, you may be interested in becoming involved in our new Positive Play Strategy for students who find it difficult to occupy themselves during our Play Breaks.

At Sacred Heart we are hoping to run small group activities during Term 4 that provide our students with options for Positive Play. Students would commit to coming on a weekly basis to an activity run by a volunteer.

Each activity would be run on a day of the week that suited the volunteer and would run for 30 minutes - either from 11am - 11.30am or 1.45pm - 2.15pm.

Activities might include: Indoor Games (Cards, Board Games, Chess etc.), Scrapbooking/Card Making, Drawing/Writing, Play Dough, Craft, Knitting or Crocheting, Woodwork, Walking etc). Choices will depend on the expertise of the volunteers.

If you are interested in volunteering or would like any more information please phone Trish Miller on 5824 1841 or 0418 100 138.

Feast Day of the Week – St Vincent de Paul (September 27)

As a priest, St Vincent de Paul developed a special concern for the poor after giving the Sacraments to a dying peasant. He cared for slaves, prostitutes, war victims, and the destitute, becoming known as the Great Apostle of Charity. He was canonised in 1737.

On this feast day, let us pray for all the Saint Vincent de Paul Societies, the churches that sponsor them, all other charitable ministries, and the people they help. May the Lord multiply the provisions they distribute to the needy, give new strength to the workers, and bring in more volunteers who serve the poor with genuine love.



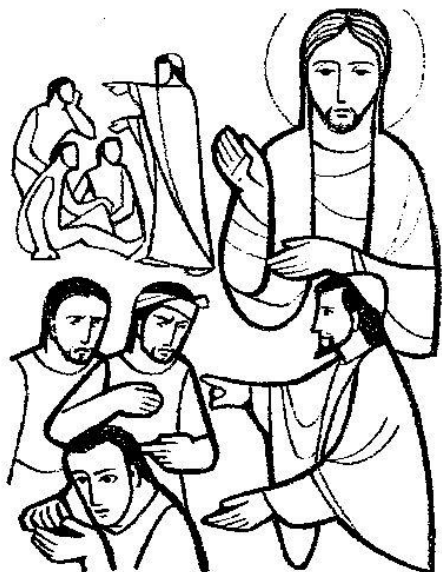
Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 55:6-9
Philippians 1:20-24,27
Matthew 20:1-16



Readings for
next Sunday:

Ezekiel 18:25-28
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 21:28-32



Liturgical Jottings

The Christian faithful who come together as one in expectation of the Lord's coming are instructed by the Apostle Paul to sing together Psalms, hymns, and spiritual canticles. Singing is the sign of the heart's joy. Thus Augustine says rightly, 'singing is for one who loves', and there is also an ancient proverb: 'Whoever sings well prays twice over'. GIRM 39

Joy of the Gospel

We are not merely talking about ensuring nourishment or a "dignified sustenance" for all, but also their "general temporal welfare and prosperity". This means education, access to health care, and above all employment, for it is through free, creative, participatory and mutually supportive labour that human beings express and enhance the dignity of their lives.

Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium n192

Looking at the Readings

My ways are above your ways. Those who had laboured in the vineyard all day were angry when the owner paid the latecomers the same wage. God's ways are not humankind's ways. We need to rejoice that we are deeply loved by God.

Today's Gospel is about the extraordinary generosity of God.

It is about what the Kingdom of Heaven is like. The vineyard is another name for Israel and the Master is understood to be God. In the Greco-Roman world casual labourers used to gather in the agora or town square waiting for employers to hire them.

In the early Church there was sometimes a jealousy between those who had believed from the earliest days in the risen Christ and thus suffered persecution, and those especially the Gentiles (non-Jews) who came to belief later on. The kingdom of God is not something we earn or deserve through our own efforts. It is God's gift.

Quotable Quote

For Taizé, forgiving others is an essential part of Christian life. Joy is the fruit of forgiveness, If you live together in a family, or local church community, and you don't forgive one another all the time, seventy seven times, you cannot live together. But if you try, you experience joy. *Brother Ghislain of Taizé in "A faith to live by" by Roland Ashby, Mosaic Press, Preston, 2012.*

Memorable Memorial of the Week Tues 23: St Padre Pio

Francesco was born to Giuseppa and Grazio Forgione, peasant farmers, in the small Italian village of Pietrelcina on May 25, 1887. From his childhood, at an early age felt drawn to the priesthood. He became a Capuchin novice at the age of sixteen and received the habit in 1902. Francesco was ordained to the priesthood in 1910 and became known as Padre Pio. On September 20, 1918, Padre Pio was kneeling in front of a large crucifix when he received the visible marks of the crucifixion, making him the first stigmatised priest of Church. The doctor who examined Padre Pio could not find any natural cause for the wounds. Upon his death in 1968, the wounds were no longer visible. In fact, there was no scarring and the skin was completely renewed. He was canonised a saint in 2002.

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ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE 110TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER AND SCHOOL TOUR

The Past Students and Friends of St Augustine's College Association invite everyone to attend the 110th Anniversary Dinner on **4th October** and join in the celebration of 110 years of Catholic Education in Kyabram. This is the first dinner arranged by the Past Students and Friends of St. Augustine's College and the Committee hopes that it will be an impressive celebration for the College, the Parish and the local community. Tickets can be purchased at the College; you can buy a single ticket or book a table (10 people). There will be a **School Tour** on Saturday 4th October at 2 pm. Please meet at the front of the school.