

WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

TATURAKYABRAM

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Readings - Year B
 Year of the Consecrated Life

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.

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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.

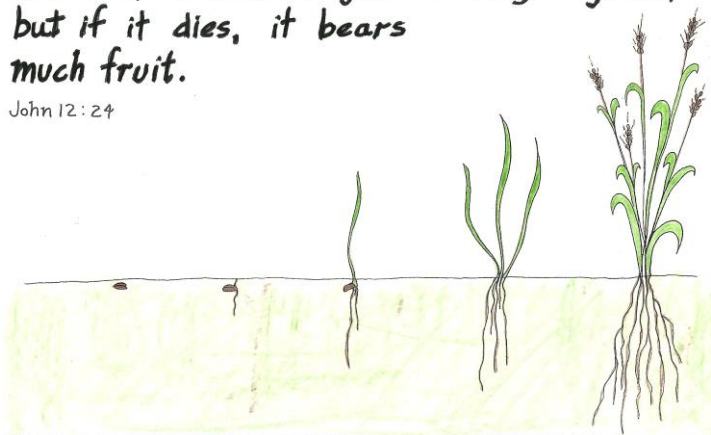


FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

22nd MARCH 2015

Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

John 12: 24



RECONCILIATION

A reminder that Parish Reconciliation is on:

Wednesday 25th March Kyabram 7.30pm

Tuesday 31st March Tatura 7.30pm

HELPERS REQUIRED

The Co-ordinators are looking for help during Palm Sunday and the Easter Ceremonies. Sheets are in the Narthex.

Please fill out and ensure that a phone number is left for co-ordinators to contact you.



Fifth Sunday of Lent

PROJECT COMPASSION



Living in a remote Andean village in Peru isn't easy. Until recently, Cristian (a 33 year old farmer) had to travel one kilometre to access running water. Cristian's community in rural Peru has always lived a traditional life, with simple diets and crops dependent on rainfall. With the help of Caritas Huacho, 33-year-old Cristian and 14 other young farmers have introduced running water and irrigation to the village. They now grow and harvest a wide variety of high-value, sustainable crops, which provide them all with a secure income and a wide variety of food for life.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2015 and help farmers in Peru grow and harvest sustainable crops, providing their families with food for life. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass will be held this year on Tuesday, 24th 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. To Organise transport, please let Trish or Denise know if you would like to attend .



Those who have died recently	Robert Link; Sr Catherine Kelly CSB ; Fr Jim Nihill; Antonio Ciavarella
Those whose Anniversary occurs	Leo Cocks
Our sick and their carers	Jim O'Donovan; Noelene McGrath; Wade Reddrop; Carolyn Cooper; Lawrie Dwyer; Margaret Woodland; Andrea Cocks*** Knowles Beattie;

(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
28 March 6.00pm	Palm Sunday Special Roster					
29 March 8.00am						

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:			
DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	23	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	24	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	No Mass
Wednesday	25	9.15am Mass	5.00pm Intention of Leo Cocks
Thursday	26	No Mass	1.30pm Anointing Mass
Friday	27	9.15am Mass	No Mass
Saturday	28	6.00pm Mass Palm Sunday	No Mass
Sunday	29	8.00am Mass Palm Sunday	10.00am
ROSARY	15 mins before weekday Mass		
RECONCILIATION	28		

MARCH/APRIL DIARY DATES		
Mon	23	
Tues	24	Chrism Mass Bendigo 11.00am
Wed	25	Annunciation of the Lord Reconciliation Kyabram 7.30pm
Thurs	26	Bishop Vincent SIP 7.00pm Shepp
Frid	27	Last day of Term
Sat	28	Palm Sunday Vigil
Sun	29	Palm Sunday
Mon	30	
Tues	31	Reconciliation Tatura 7.30pm
Wed	1	
Thurs	2	Holy Thursday
Frid	3	Good Friday Stations Tatura 10.00am Ecumenical Service 10.00am Kyabram Lord's Passion 3.00pm Tatura
Sat	4	Holy Saturday Vigil
Sun	5	Easter Sunday

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

CATHOLIC RADIO

Welcome the **Journey Catholic Radio Podcast.**

This week we have a whole bunch of fantastic content! As we continue through Lent we hear another wonderful Psalm put to music by Tracey Coombes, we reflect on the Gospel with Sr Hilda Scott OSB and Fr Michael Fallon MSC, and we have some of our regular presenters as well as an interview with the brilliant Peter Kearney who has been writing hymns for the past 50 years and is speaking all around Australia on his walk of the Camino de Santiago. Have a listen to the whole show hosted by Jude Hennessy or some highlights of the show by clicking on the links below.

The Journey is a weekly program developed by the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong all about faith, hope, love and life and is the only Catholic radio program in Australia aired on general Christian radio.

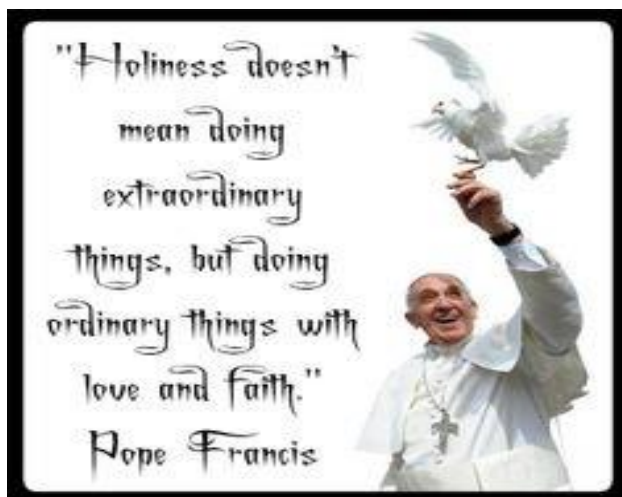
Listen to highlights from this week's show:

- "Let My Tongue Be Silenced" - Responsorial Psalm by Tracey Coombes
- "Gospel Reflection" by Sr Hilda Scott OSB and Fr Michael Fallon MSC
- "Facing the Darkness" - Walking the Walk with Sam Clear
Jude Hennessy's interview with Peter Kearney on his walk of the Camino de Santiago
- "The Words In Our Lives" - The Call with Fr Dave Callaghan MGL

You can listen to these and past shows at www.radio.dow.org.au

Please collect you free copy of the Easter edition of AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS from the Narthex.

This edition covers: discussions on the family happening throughout the Church culminating in the General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops on 4 – 25th October, a journey through the Sacraments, a letter to Desmond Tutu (who turns 84 this year), accepting the responsibility that comes with Baptism, discussion on the Sacrament of marriage, and ministering to the sick and dying in outback Australia. **Great weekend reading!**



LENTEN RETREAT

- **'What is God's message for me this Holy Week and Easter?'**, Dr Kevin Messer, **SATURDAY 28TH MARCH**, St Joseph's Hall, Wedge St, **BENALLA**, 9.30 am – 3.30 pm. Cost: \$15 (or gold coin - as you can afford). BYO Lunch.
 - RSVP: adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au
 - 03 5441 2544
- This retreat day will offer a gentle opportunity to pray and reflect upon faith and life, in readiness for a deeply meaningful celebration of Holy Week and Easter, led by Kevin Messer, an experienced retreat facilitator and member of the Heart of Life Spirituality Centre team (Box Hill).

THEATRE LUNCHEON

The Warramunda Ladies Auxiliary and Kyabram District Hospital Ladies Auxiliary present **The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel** Theatre Luncheon on Friday, 10th April at 10.00am at the Plaza Theatre. Tickets \$15.00 per head.

For tickets please telephone: Warramunda (5852 2611), Noreen Boardman (5852 2316), Lorraine Brann (5852 3021) or Joy Salter (5852 1909).

REFLECTIONS FOR LENT

John 12:20-30 Grain must die

Most of us like to be 'in control' of what happens in our lives. But Jesus says 'the grain must die!' We must step down to ensure that God is at the centre of our universe. Only then can we become effective human beings who 'bear much fruit'.

When we follow Jesus, the desire to shine is replaced by the desire to serve. Aware of the falsity of wealth, the Christian opts for a life of simplicity. The compulsion to follow the latest trends is replaced by the freedom that comes from the truth shown to us by Jesus.

'Come to me all you who are heavily burdened.' – it is the role of Jesus, and of us his followers, to lessen human burdens. Did you know that through Caritas Australia we have been lessening burdens in a remote mountain village in Peru?

Farmers there have traditionally relied on intermittent rainfall to water their crops, unable to sow high-value crops that require consistent watering.

In an effort to modernise their farming practices, Cristian, a 33 year-old farmer, and 14 other young farmers in his community participated in the *Rural Development Program* run by Caritas Australia's local partner, Caritas Huacho.

The program helped the 15 young men secure an unused plot of land in their village. Then with seedlings and agricultural training, the farmers learnt to grow and harvest sustainable, high-value orchard crops including peaches, custard apples and avocados. They were also supported with materials and training to build an irrigation system to water their fields.

A reliable source of food has created a new life for Cristian, along with the rewarding experience of working closely with his neighbours, 'giving each other a helping hand'. Simple acts of service create food for life.

WALK FOR JUSTICE FOR REFUGEES

On Palm Sunday, you are invited to join Victorians of all denominations as we gather in solidarity to seek justice for refugees. **Palm Sunday March: Walk for Justice for Refugees Sunday 29th March, 2.00 pm** beginning at the State Library, 328 Swanston St, Melbourne, Victoria. The March will be preceded by a Prayer Service organised by the Melbourne Archdiocese and led by Fr Bruce Duncan CSSR. See flyers on the noticeboard at the back of the church.

Prayer Service in Solidarity: St Patrick's Cathedral 1.00 – 1.30 pm

2015 EASTER TIMETABLE

➤ Reconciliation	Wednesday 25th March	Kyabram	7.30pm
	Tuesday 31st March	Tatura	7.30pm
➤ 2nd April Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper		Kyabram	7:30pm
		Tatura	6:00pm
➤ 3rd 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
➤ 4th April Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil	Kyabram and Tatura	7:00pm
➤ 5th April Easter Sunday	Mass	Kyabram and Tatura	10:00am

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



Readings for
this week:

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



Readings for
next week

Entrance: Mark 11:1-10
Isaiah 50:4-7
Philippians 2:6-11
Passion of Mark 14:1-5:47



Liturgical Jottings

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week embraces the last days of Lent (until Thursday) and the Easter Triduum. The Sacrament of Penance is an excellent way to conclude the penitential season of Lent. It is best celebrated before Holy Thursday evening, so that, with heart and mind renewed, all may focus on the celebration of the Paschal Mystery. "Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be observed everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, as a way of coming to the joys of the Sunday of the resurrection with uplifted and welcoming hearts (SC10)

Quote of the Week

If more of us valued food and cheer and song above hoarded gold, it would be a merrier world.

JRR Tolkien

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Focus on the Readings

The moment of eschatological fulfilment gathers together the sense of the past ('the days when Christ was in the flesh'), the future ('the days are coming'), and the present ('the hour has come'). We live in the time when the past and the future are made present; we live in the 'already-but-not-yet' time of anticipation/fulfilment. This is a moment of great ambiguity, of fear and trepidation but of electric excitement. It is a moment of decision. We hover at the edge of dawn, weighing whether or not to step forward into the new day or to return to the darkness of night.

This 'hour' brings a new covenant, a deep interior relationship with God that is not based on law but which overflows from a commitment of the heart. It brings an abundant harvest that springs from a simple grain of wheat. It brings a promise from God's own Son that those who serve him will be honoured by God, and those who obey him will enjoy eternal life.

Although the 'hour' brings all of these blessings, it only does so with a price. The new covenant could only be written on new hearts; the abundant harvest sprang from the dying grain of wheat; eternal salvation was won at the price of Christ's blood. As challenging as the message of these readings may be, the last note is one of hope. It can overcome the demons that control us, because it is the power of the almighty God.

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Chrism Mass

In dioceses around the world before or during Holy Week, bishops with their priests gather at their Cathedrals for the Chrism Mass. There the bishop blesses three oils, catechumens, the oil of sick and holy chrism which will be used in the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese for the year. This practice emerged in the fifth century. The Sandhurst Diocese will celebrate this Mass in the cathedral on 24 March at 11am - all are welcome.

Feast of the Week - The Annunciation of the Lord (25 March)

This feast (now a solemnity) was first celebrated in the fourth or fifth century. Its central focus is the Incarnation: God has become one of us. The gospel recalls the announcement by the angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary that she would conceive and become the mother of Jesus, the Son of God, marking his Incarnation. It is one of the twelve Great Feasts of the church year.

On the Lighter Side

At the conclusion of the audience, Pope Francis offered to walk his guests to the door, to which Cardinal Dolan responded that it wasn't necessary for him to do so. Francis replied, "No, I want to make sure you leave."



In India about 72 million children suffer from chronic malnutrition. In addition to the risk of death, malnutrition causes serious delays in physical and mental growth. There are also 13 million young workers, 75% of them doing very dangerous jobs, such as in mines where they exploited 18 hours every day. In the Country there are still 400 million people living in extreme poverty, each year 1,4 million children die before the age of 5. (AP)