

WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

TATURA

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KYABRAM

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Readings - Year B
Year of the Consecrated Life

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Fr. Michael; Alma Limbrick; Luci Quinn;

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Nick Ciavarella; Helen Delahenty (Sec);

Joan Dickman; Brendon Lane(Chair);

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.

1st Sunday of Advent

29th November 2015



Parish Picnic

The Parish Picnic was a great day last Sunday. Approximately 80 parishioner and school family members gathered on the school oval following Mass for a BBQ and good old fashioned games.

(above: Pat Baldwin in the egg and spoon race)

Thanks to Marie O'Meara for organising the Mini Vinnie Team (Ryerson De Lai, Xavier Hutchison and Owen Powles) and their parents who cooked the BBQ. Thanks also to Trish Miller, Anne Hutchison (and her whistle) and Matt Cameron who helped out. We raised \$160 for Mini Vinnies which is a wonderful effort.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Tree

Please take an envelope from the Christmas Tree to buy a present for the child whose name and age is written on the front.



Wrap the present and then attach the envelope back on the present.

Leave presents under the tree no later than Sunday December 13th.

Note: Today is the fifth Sunday, so remember Mass times will be the same next weekend – Saturday, 6pm and Sunday 8am.





Those who have died recently	Tatura: Kyabram: Mavis Plummer
Those whose Anniversary occurs	Tatura: Rita Kerlin, Mary Steele Kyabram: Kevin Millar, John Clarke
Our sick and their carers	Tatura: Anne Heathman, Denis Smith, Margaret Woodland; Naomi Moon, Lisa Clark (Sheila Gregg's niece) Kyabram: Pat Ryan, Bob Taylor, Jennifer Baker, Natasha Smith, Andrea Cocks, Dylan Cocks, Jim O'Donovan, Eileen O'Donovan, Saxon Doidge, Clare Powles, Kelley Toohill

(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 Dec 5th 6pm	Marli Kelly	Denise Woodman	Pat Baldwin	Joan Webster	G Ranson S Finlayson A Huthison	A Hutchison & T Warnett
Sun Dec 6th 8am	Keith Stewart	Marie O'Meara	Trish Miller	Barry & Jan Lowe	R O'Meara D Worm C Reilly	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	30 Nov	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	1 Dec	LWWC	No Mass
Wednesday	2 Dec	9.15am Mass	5pm Mass
Thursday	3 Dec	No Mass	9.15am Mass
Friday	4 Dec	9.15am Mass	No Mass
Saturday	5 Dec	6pm Mass	No Mass
Sunday	6 Dec	8am Mass	10am Mass
ROSARY	15 mins before weekday Mass		
RECONCILIATION		11.30am Sat	

DECEMBER DIARY DATES

Mon	30 Nov	
Tues	1 Dec	Deanery Meeting Shepparton 10.30am Finance Meeting 5.30pm Parish Hall
Wed	2 Dec	Festival of the Sacred - Yr. 5 & 6 students participating
Thurs	3 Dec	End of year Mass St Augustines College 12.30pm
Fri	4 Dec	Morning tea for Baptism Volunteer Group 10am
Sat	5 Dec	St Vincent de Paul Christmas dinner the Gallery 7pm
Sun	6 Dec	RCIC Children's Baptisms in Kyabram
Mon	7 Dec	
Tues	8 Dec	Year of Mercy begins Italian Rosary 2pm Church
Wed	9 Dec	St Vincent de Paul meeting at the Centre 7pm
Thurs	10 Dec	Reconciliation Kyabram 7.30pm
Fri	11 Dec	End of Year Mass Sacred Heart 9.15am Year 6 Graduation Dinner
Sat	12 Dec	
Sun	13 Dec	Opening of the door - Year of Mercy

PASTORAL CARE

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

The Year of Mercy



You are invited to take some 'time out' for Advent rest, reflection and prayer, as we begin the Year of Mercy and prepare our hearts for Christmas 2015.

A Mini - Retreat

WODONGA

"God Who Longs to Come Close"

Retreat Facilitator — Mary Murphy

Mary, who lives in Euroa, is a qualified Spiritual Director and experienced Retreat Facilitator.

WHEN: Monday 30th November

5.30 pm – 7 pm. OR

Tuesday 1st December

9.45 am – 11am, after mass

WHERE: Catholic Parish of Wodonga,
Sacred Heart Church,
Beechworth Road,
WODONGA.

COST: \$5 (if possible).

BOOKINGS: Wodonga Catholic Parish

Phone: (02) 6024 3366 or Email;

wodonga@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

BENDIGO

"Waiting with Angels

– A Twilight Retreat for Advent"

Retreat Facilitator —

Margaret Mary Flynn

Margaret Mary, who lives in Bendigo, is a Spiritual Director and member of the Outreach Team of the Campion Ignatian Spirituality Centre.

WHEN: Tuesday 15th December

5.30 – 7.30 pm.

WHERE: St Killians Church
McCrae Street,
BENDIGO

COST: \$5 (if possible).

BOOKINGS: The Chancery

Phone: (03) 5441 2544 or Email;

adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

Australian Catholics: The Christmas edition is in the Narthex with some wonderful articles in it.

Sandpiper: The November edition is also in the Narthex for you to take.

Advent 2015: A booklet for Advent “**Five minutes with the Word**” is available at the back of the church. Free or gold coin donation.

Cemetery Mass: 52 people attended the Cemetery Mass on Saturday 21st November. It is always a significant event and it is a lovely time to pray for our loved ones who have been laid to rest in this cemetery.

Thank you

Loretta Lilford would like to pass on her thanks as she raised \$434 from her jewellery sale last Sunday to support H.U.G (Help Us Grow) a very valuable cause that helps implementing & supporting sustainable community projects in Uganda.

Mary, Companion and Guide

Where: St Brendan's Church – Shepparton

When: Saturday December 12th

Time: 10am – 3pm

Speaker: Fr Berny Agustines

Please bring a plate to share.

Catholic Women's League - A CWL Member will be in attendance at Mass this weekend (28th/29th) and next weekend (5th/6th) to collect subs for 2016. Subscriptions \$20.00, magazine (optional) \$20.00

Advent in the Year of Mercy

There are a series of little reflections on the Gospels on the Sundays of Advent in the Narthex please take one.

Pathways for Young Adults

The 2016 Diocese of Sandhurst booklet is in the Narthex. The booklet is produced by the Youth Ministry team and the Adult Faith Education Coordinator at Sandhurst and has some great information in it for young people.

CONCERT ON HIGH

Featuring Fr Rob Galea and his band fresh from the X Factor. **Saturday 12th December 2015**, 6pm – 9pm.

Bring your picnic rug or chairs and enjoy great music, delicious food, market stalls and Christmas entertainment in the magnificent open space at the foot of the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Join our region's many cultures as we celebrate the interfaith message at the heart of the Aspire precinct. Tickets from the Capital Box Office ph 5434 6100 or www.gotix.com.au. Children under 16 years/ concession \$10, Adults \$15, Family \$40.

Reconciliation for Christmas

15th December at 7.30pm – Tatura

10th December at 7.30pm - Kyabram

PRAYER FOR STUDENTS: We ask all parishioners to pray for students currently studying for and completing exams.



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2016 Sacred Heart Fete

Positions Vacant – Calling for Expressions of Interest

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Parishioners and Friends of Sacred Heart,

The time has come to begin plans for the 2016 Fete. Following the bumper success of the 2015 fete, we are keen to establish a crew of enthusiastic people to coordinate and organise next year's fete, which will be held on Friday March 18th 2016 (Term 1, Week 8).

Due to the fact that some families have or are moving on to secondary school, we have a number vacancies in coordinator roles that we are keen to fill in order to make the fete another success from both a social and financial perspective.

If you, as an individual or with another person as a team are interested in any of the following roles or would like more information in regards to what they entail please contact me as soon as possible.

Fete Organisation Vacancies:

Raffle Coordinator (s)
Food Coordinator (s)
SPC Train Coordinator
Children Activities Coordinator

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script.

Trish Miller
Principal



Readings for
this week:

Jeremiah 33:14-16
1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Luke 21:25-28, 34-36



Readings for
next Sunday

Baruch 5:1-9
Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11
Luke 3:1-6



Liturgical Jottings

Advent is the waiting period before Christmas-Epiphany. The Liturgy is simpler with the omission of the "Glory to God" which will be heard at Christmas when we echo the song the angels sang at the birth of our Saviour. The colour of the Advent season is violet or purple, but not the red-purple of Lent, more the Jacaranda blue colour. It is a season of hope and joy, a season of preparation reaching fulfilment in the mystery of the Incarnation (God with us).

Pope Francis

"Worshipping the Lord means giving him the place that he must have; worshipping the Lord means stating, believing - not only by our words - that he alone truly guides our lives; worshipping the Lord means that we are convinced before him that he is the only God, the God of our lives, the God of our history."

Focus on the Season of Advent

The word advent, from Latin, means "the coming." The abundance of decorations already in shops and public places heralds the coming of Christmas. For centuries, Advent has been a time of spiritual reflection for Christians, as well as cheer and anticipation. Even as the Christmas season has become more secular-with advertisers urging holiday gift-givers to buy and buy some more-Advent still brings joy and the observance of ancient customs. Christian communities find quiet moments lighting candles in the Advent wreath. The coming for us is focussed on the Nativity and the birth of Jesus.

In the Middle Age, Advent became associated with preparation for the Second Coming of Christ. So today's Gospel and supporting readings remind us not to get so caught up in worldly distractions that we forget the future entirely. The preparation we undertake should enhance our relationship with God whether it be as 'the Son of Man, coming on a cloud' in the Second Coming; or in the gift of the Incarnation, as a helpless and vulnerable baby in the manger at Bethlehem.

The symbolism of the Advent wreath is beautiful. The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life found in Christ. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. Three candles are purple and one is rose. The purple candles in particular symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and good works undertaken at this time. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over and they are close to Christmas. The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of His second coming to judge the living and the dead.

Perhaps we might set aside some prominent place in our home to put an Advent wreath or other reminder of the real reason for preparation and celebration in the weeks ahead. As we note the many commercial and social preparations for Christmas may we remind ourselves always of the truth of this special time.

On the lighter Side

If bad lawyers are debarred, and bad clergymen are defrocked - doesn't it follow that electricians are delighted, drycleaners depressed, models deposed, musicians denoted, primary teachers degraded and secondary teachers deformed?



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God is never too busy to listen. Don't be too busy to talk to him.

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