

# WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

## TATURA

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## KYABRAM

St Patrick's Tongala and St Sebastian's Merrigum

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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.



**Readings - Year B**  
Year of the Consecrated Life

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Fr. Michael; Alma Limbrick; Luci Quinn;

Katrina Johnson; Joe Chant (Deputy Chair);

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.**



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

## 6 December 2015



### Bunnings BBQ

Well done to everyone who worked on the Bunnings BBQ stall last weekend. A big thank you to Anne Hutchison (who coordinated the stall) and the following people:

Mickeely Gray, Ross Kelly, Sue Worm, Ash Wiles, Matt Cameron, John Ford, James Nihill, Sheila Gregg, Lou, Ella & Maeve Kerrins, Brendan Lane from Kyabram.

We raised \$1, 195.70

### Reconciliation for Christmas

15<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm – Tatura

10<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm - Kyabram

Thank you to Marg Collins, Doreen Corrigan, Margaret Feehan, Alma Moar who send out a lovely acknowledgement to the children on the anniversary of their baptism to the age of five.

### CHRISTMAS 2015 MASS TIMETABLE



#### Tatura – Sacred Heart Church

Mass: Christmas Eve (Family Mass) – 6.00pm

Mass: Christmas Day – 10.00am

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec Boxing Day – **NO MASS**

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Dec Tatura **9.00am**

#### Kyabram – St Augustine's Church

Mass – Christmas Eve – **7.30pm**  
(Outdoor Family Mass – BYO chair, no rugs)

Mass – Christmas Day – **8.00am**

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec Boxing Day – **NO MASS**

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December Kyabram **10.30am**



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|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Those who have died recently</b>   | Tatura: Brenda Armitage (Joan's granddaughter)<br>Kyabram: John Dodd                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Those whose Anniversary occurs</b> | Tatura:<br>Kyabram: Ellen Martin, Leo Scott                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Our sick and their carers</b>      | Tatura: Anne Heathman, Denis Smith, Margaret Woodland; Naomi Moon, Lisa Clark<br>Kyabram: Pat Ryan, Bob Taylor, Jennifer Baker, Natasha Smith, Andrea 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  |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|--------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sun Dec 13 <sup>th</sup><br>10am | CHILDREN'S MASS |        |                   |                       | S Nihill<br>P Baldwin<br>L Kerrins | T Warnett |

#### MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

| DAY            | DATE                        | TATURA                                   | KYABRAM     |
|----------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Monday         | 7 Dec                       | No Mass                                  | No Mass     |
| Tuesday        | 8 Dec                       | LWWC                                     | No Mass     |
| Wednesday      | 9 Dec                       | 9.15am Mass intention for Evelyn Woodman | 5pm Mass    |
| Thursday       | 10 Dec                      | No Mass                                  | 9.15am Mass |
| Friday         | 11 Dec                      | 9.15am Mass                              | No Mass     |
| Saturday       | 12 Dec                      | No Mass                                  | 6.30pm Mass |
| Sunday         | 13 Dec                      | 10am Mass                                | 8am Mass    |
| ROSARY         | 15 mins before weekday Mass |                                          |             |
| RECONCILIATION |                             | 11.30am Sat                              |             |

#### DECEMBER DIARY DATES

|       |        |                                                                                                  |
|-------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon   | 7 Dec  |                                                                                                  |
| Tues  | 8 Dec  | Holy Year of Mercy commences<br>Italian Rosary 2pm Church<br>School Helpers Afternoon Tea 3.30pm |
| Wed   | 9 Dec  |                                                                                                  |
| Thurs | 10 Dec | Reconciliation Kyabram 7.30pm                                                                    |
| Fri   | 11 Dec | End of Year Mass Sacred Heart 9.15am<br>Year 6 Graduation Dinner                                 |
| Sat   | 12 Dec |                                                                                                  |
| Sun   | 13 Dec | Opening of the door - Year of Mercy                                                              |
| Mon   | 14 Dec | School swimming carnival                                                                         |
| Tues  | 15 Dec | Tatura Reconciliation 7.30pm                                                                     |
| Wed   | 16 Dec | Carols by Candlelight Mactier Park 7pm                                                           |
| Thurs | 17 Dec | Last day students dismissal 2.30pm                                                               |
| Fri   | 18 Dec |                                                                                                  |
| Sat   | 19 Dec |                                                                                                  |
| Sun   | 20 Dec |                                                                                                  |

#### PASTORAL CARE

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#### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

*"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value..." (Philippians 1:9-10)*

Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God and to those that are in need.

#### CONCERT ON HIGH

**Featuring Fr Rob Galea** and his band fresh from the X Factor. **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.gotix.com.au). Children under 16 years/ concession \$10, Adults \$15, Family \$40.

**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.

**Cemetery Mass:** 52 people attended the Cemetery Mass on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

### MARY, COMPANION AND GUIDE

Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> December, 10am to 3.00pm. "All Generations Will Call Me Blessed" (Luke 1). All welcome. St Brendan's Church, Shepparton at the Peter Jeffrey Centre. Speaker – Fr Berny Agustines.

Please bring a plate to share.

Contact Fr Berny: 0431 017 293.

### 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.

### ALONG THE TRACK

"Waiting can be a real drag. In a world of instant communication, fast food, and easy travel (the Monash excluded!), most of us don't have to wait for much. Most things are usually 'on tap'. But sometimes we have to - we wait for test results; we wait for our loved ones to come home; we wait for the birth of a child, some wait for the change of seasons they don't like much... we just have to wait. ..."

This is the first paragraph from Jim Quillinan's Along the Track article.

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

### SANDHURST YOUTH MINISTRY

**Stronger Christmas Party:** Join us as we celebrate an amazing year & encounter the Joy and wonder of Christmas!

**When:** Saturday December 19, 3-7:30pm

**Where:** De Campo room, 120 Hargreaves St, Bendigo.

**Cost:** \$15.

**For Tickets Contact Darcy:** 03 5445 3616 or **Mary-Anne:** 0488 665 383



**Prayer of Pope Francis  
for the**

**Jubilee Year of Mercy**

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman:

"If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father,

of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy:

let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error:

let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

Amen.





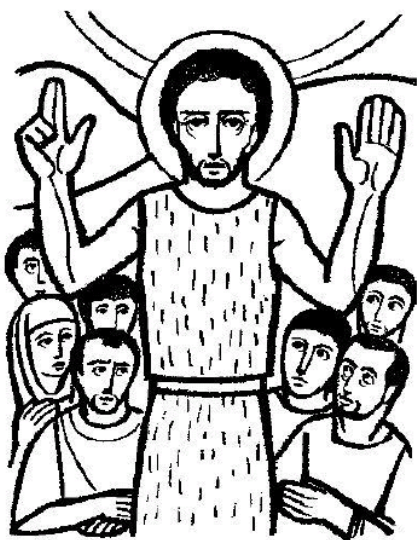
Readings for  
this week:

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



Readings for  
next Sunday

Zephaniah 3:14-18  
Philippians 4:4-7  
Luke 3:10-18



### Liturgical Jottings

One of the solemn blessings to be given by the celebrant at the end of the Eucharistic celebration each Sunday of Advent has an almost colloquial ring. "As you run the race of this present life may the almighty and merciful God make you firm in faith, joyful in hope and active in charity." It would be good to pray daily between now and Christmas Day that this blessing will be fulfilled in each of our lives.



### Prayer for the week

Jesus our light, guide us in our decisions.

Jesus, in whom we trust, bring peace to all who have lost hope.

Jesus, in whose coming we rejoice, be a source of love and compassion for us.

### Focus on the Readings

The theme of today's readings is that everyone shall share in salvation through the coming of God's son to be one with us. An appropriate response for us in the weeks leading up to our celebration of the birth of God's son is suggested by the words, "Prepare the way of the Lord".

The focus of the gospel for today is on the role of John the Baptist, the cousin of Jesus, in the story of salvation. Luke's gospel tells us simply that the word of God came to John. He then went through the whole Jordan district preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sin. His ministry had such an impact that it is reported in secular writing of the time. The final stage in the long journey towards salvation was the birth of Jesus. John's role was to awaken people to his coming.

For us these events are an invitation to awaken our minds and hearts to the significance of having the Son of God share our humanity. His presence raises our lives to a new level, which we must express by the way we live. Our celebration of Christmas personalises the birth of Jesus for us. It is a time when we look forward to holidays, to family gatherings, to friendship and the exchange of gifts. The context for these happy events is the spiritual refreshment that comes to us with our annual celebration of the birth of Jesus. We prepare once again for a joyful and sacred time.

### Quotable Quote

The way Luke tells his story suggests that the birth and childhood of Jesus comes as the climax of a long series of saving interventions of God. To the scripturally formed reader this signals a clear message, "Here, again, is a sacred time, a moment of God's saving intervention, the fulfilment of a promise."

*Brendan Byrne. The Hospitality of God*

### On the Lighter Side

At Christmas play and make good cheer  
For Christmas comes but once a year.

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When you pray, be sure that you listen also. You have things you want to say to God, but he also has things He wants to say to you.

~ Joyce Meyer