

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 C
Year of Mercy



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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.**



3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

24 January 2016

Parish/School Community Event Car Boot Sale and Fair

Due to the fact that we have been unable to fill the coordination roles essential to run a successful fete there will be no Parish School Fete in 2016.

Instead the Parish and School will be having a Car Boot Sale and Fair.

When: Saturday March 19th

Time: 8.30am – 12 Noon

Venue: Parish Car Park

The cost to rent a car park to sell items is \$20 for individuals or \$50 for businesses.

Number of spaces available – 48 the spaces are 5.2 metres x 2.8 metres

Other activities include: Children's activities, sausage sizzle, Cake stall, Coffee sales and Sacred Heart Second Hand goods sale.

AUSTRALIA DAY

God of Australia,
you have loved this ancient
land long before human eye
explored it.



On this Australia Day we offer our praise.

We bring you our gratitude
for the diversity and wealth of this land and its
people;
for its weathered old mountains, fertile valleys, and
vast plains;
for its riches of mine and agriculture, forest and
grazing land;
for the first Australians, who know and love this
continent
with an intimate, profound sensitivity;
for the courage, vision and sacrifice of early
settlers;
for the diverse races who now call Australia home.
For these and all your gifts
we offer you, O Lord, our joyful thankful hearts.

Amen.

Bruce D Prewer, Australian Prayers Openbook Publishers 2002 p 14

St Vincent de Paul

Vinnies Centre in Tatura is urgently in need of volunteers. If you have a little time to spare (even half a day) and would like to help out please phone Denise Woodman on 0457 659 314.

Welcome Back

Welcome all teachers, staff, students and families to the 2016 school year. We hope you have had a relaxing and enjoyable break over the school holidays.



Those who have died recently Those whose Anniversary occurs Our sick and their carers	Tatura:	
	Kyabram:	Eileen O'Donovan
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	Tatura:	Anne Heathman, Denis Smith, Margaret Woodland, Naomi Moon, Peter Burns, Kevin Wood
	Kyabram:	Bob Taylor, Andrea Cocks, Jim O'Donovan, Jennifer Baker, Natasha Smith, Barry Carrodus

(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 Jan 30 th 6pm	Sacha Finlayson	Denice Bourke	Lou Kerrins	Margaret Corrigan	J Webster D Bourke D Woodman	Carol Coulston
Sun Jan 31 st 8am	Carol Coulston	Debbie Worm	Simon Cowan	Bryan & Trish Miller	R O'Meara L Cowan C Reilly	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	25 Jan	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	26 Jan	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday	27 Jan	9.15am Mass Teachers and Parish	5pm Mass
Thursday	28 Jan	No Mass	1.30pm Anointing Mass
Friday	29 Jan	9.15am Mass	No Mass
Saturday	30 Jan	6pm Mass	No Mass
Sunday	31 Jan	8am Mass	10am Mass
Reconciliation	11.30am Saturday		
ROSARY	15 mins before weekday Mass		

JAN / FEB DIARY DATES

Mon	25 Jan	
Tues	26 Jan	Australia Day
Wed	27 Jan	9.15am Mass Teachers and Parish
Thurs	28 Jan	School commences
Fri	29 Jan	9.15am Mass
Sat	30 Jan	
Sun	31 Jan	
Mon	1 Feb	Prison Chaplains Meeting – Benalla
Tues	2 Feb	Finance Committee 5.30pm Parish Hall
Wed	3 Feb	Catholic Women's League 2pm Parish Hall
Thurs	4 Feb	
Fri	5 Feb	9.15am School Mass
Sat	6 Feb	6pm Mass
Sun	7 Feb	8am Mass

PASTORAL CARE

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

My life is not perfect, but I am thankful for everything I have.

www.dailyinspirationalquotes.in

World Youth Day (WYD)

If you are between the ages of 16-35 and would like to join the Victorian pilgrimage to Poland to join Pope Francis & millions of faith filled young people please visit <http://www.cam.org.au/wydvictoria>.

If you have any questions contact Mary-Anne on 03 5445 3658 or email Mary-Anne.Deluca@sandhurst.catholic.org.au.

There are limited places and you won't want to miss this amazing opportunity!

Farewell and best wishes

Father Joseph Alluri, assistant Priest at St Brendan's Parish will be returning to his diocese in India after Easter.

We thank him for his ministry amongst us and pray for God's continued blessing upon his priestly work.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." (Nehemiah 8:10)

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life, he wants us to be happy! However, He expects us to generously share our blessings with those who are in need, without expecting anything in return.

FR LAURIE SULLIVAN

Fr Laurie Sullivan (born 1925) was educated at Merrigum State School, Assumption College (Kilmore), and St Stanislaus College (Bathurst, NSW). In 1949 he entered the novitiate of the Blessed Sacrament Congregation, NSW, where he made his first profession on 19 March 1951. His further studies for the priesthood were undertaken at St Francis' Church, Melbourne and later at the Congregation's Seminary of Christ the King in Lower Plenty (Templestowe).



On 18 January 1956 he was ordained to the priesthood at St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne. In August 1956, soon after ordination, he accepted a missionary posting to Ceylon (Sri Lanka) where the Congregation had recently established a foundation. He was based at St Philip Neri's Church in Colombo for several decades, his service including three terms as community leader (Superior).

In June 1994 he returned to Australia. After brief stints at the Congregation's churches in Melbourne, Perth and Toowoomba over the next twelve months, he accepted a four-year transfer to Perth between 1995 and 1999. Since January 1999 he has resided at St Francis' Church in Melbourne, where he continues to assist in ministry despite advancing age and ill health.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Fr Laurence Sullivan SSS as he celebrates his Diamond Jubilee at Merrigum today. Welcome to visiting priests, family and friends of Fr Laurie and our parish and local community to this special Mass.

CANDLEMAS DAY

Celebration on the feast of the Presentation of Jesus. You are invited on Candlemas Day, Tuesday 2nd February, to the Seiter's Grotto, 11 Kaarimba Road, Wunghnu (200 meters from the highway) beginning with Angelus at 6.00pm, followed by the rosary and hymns until Mass at 7.30pm.

Mass will begin with the blessing of candles and will be followed by a cuppa afterwards. Wunghnu is within the parish of Numurkah.

All are most welcome. Enquiries to Alf Seiter to 5862 1740.

SAVING WORD

Did you pick up a copy of today's 'Saving Word'? Majellan Sunday has a great article on the back about Life with Meaning. Certainly food for thought.

INFORMATION NIGHT - 'JOURNEY OF CHRIST PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 2016'

There will be an **INFORMATION NIGHT** on Thursday 4th February, 2016 5.30-6.30pm for the Sandhurst Diocese 'Journey of Christ Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 14th – 29th September 2016'.

Steven Green (Director, Olive Tree Travel) will give a briefing and Question & Answer time in a virtual meeting across 3 venues. All welcome. Enjoy a taste of Holy Land wine and Middle Eastern nibbles.

RSVP Marina Scott (03) 5445 9910 or Email: msscott@ceosand.catholic.edu.au to attend a Sandhurst CEO venue near you: 120 Hargreaves St, Bendigo; 36 Welsford St Shepparton or 71 Ryley St, Wangaratta.

Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service WANTED: VOLUNTEER WORKERS

The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church on Aboriginal Missions. There are various important voluntary tasks: administration, building maintenance, gardening, shop staffing, cooking, cleaning etc. Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months plus.

For further details, and an application form, please contact:

Volunteer Coordinator Anneliese Rohr: 08 9192 1060

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Web: www.broomedioocese.org

Mail: PO Box 76, BROOME WA 6725



"No, you weren't downloaded.
You were born."



Readings for
this week:

Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10
1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21



Readings for
next Sunday

Jeremiah 1:4-4, 17-19
1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13
Luke 4:21-30



Liturgical Jottings

During the Year, you might want to sometimes look up verses in the Bible to see how they relate to the Mass. When you go to Isaiah 6:3, you will see the words of the beginning of the Holy, Holy, Holy, or the Sanctus. There, you will read, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts! ... All the earth is filled with your glory!" This prayer of the Mass combines verses from the Old and New Testaments. The second part of the prayer is from Matthew 21:9, in which the crowds herald Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

The Church is commissioned to announce the mercy of God, the beating heart of the Gospel, which in its own way must penetrate the heart and mind of every person. Christ went out to everyone without exception [now we must do the same].

Pope Francis Misericordiae Vultus no 12

Looking at the Readings

In both the reading from Nehemiah and the Gospel passage, we see the dynamic power of the word of God. Paul's teaching originated as oral proclamation, and like the texts read by Ezra the priest and the one interpreted by Jesus himself, it was first proclaimed aloud. Only later were these proclamations written and handed down from one community to another, from one generation to the next.

The word of God elicits various responses. In the first reading, the people cried out in response: 'Amen, amen! So be it! We hear and we will obey!' From the verses contained in today's gospel, we do not know how those who heard Jesus' interpretation reacted to it. We do know that both audiences listened intently to the sacred words of Scripture. Can we do less? Are we eager to obey? Do we view the law as a treasure, as life-giving? Have we learned to live with each other as members of one body, each member being important and contributing to the total health of the entire body?

Both Ezra and Jesus proclaimed the word of God within the context of a liturgical celebration, a setting similar to the ones wherein most people today hear God's word proclaimed. According to the teaching of Vatican II, the liturgy is described as the source and summit of our lives, and the liturgy of the word is an essential part of that celebration. With the people of Ezra, we are invited to respond: 'Amen, amen! Thanks be to God!' © Dianne Bergant CSS

Sharing our Tradition

"Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture make up a single sacred deposit of the Word of God" (Vatican Council II, DV 10) in which, as in a mirror, the pilgrim Church contemplates God, the source of all her riches. In Sacred Scripture, God speaks to us in a human way. To interpret Scripture correctly, the reader must be attentive to what the human authors truly wanted to affirm, and to what God wanted to reveal to us by their words. (*Catholic Catechism* §97 & 109)

On the Lighter Side-Punny Words III

The man who fell down the stairs in an upholstery factory is now fully recovered.

You feel stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.

He often broke into song because he couldn't find the key.



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Start thinking bigger, praying bigger, expecting bigger. This is a new day. God wants to take you where you've never been.