

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.



Readings - Year C
Year of Mercy



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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.**



The Baptism of the Lord

10 January 2016



Those who have died recently	Tatura:	Doreen Anderson, Maria Lo Piccolo (Basile)
	Kyabram:	Delia Gundry, Lorraine Hunt
Those whose Anniversary occurs	Tatura:	Marianne Woods
	Kyabram:	
Our sick and their carers	Tatura:	Anne Heathman, Denis Smith, Margaret Woodland; Naomi Moon, Lisa Clark, Fr. Chris Reay, Fr. John Ryan, Peter Burns
	Kyabram:	Bob Taylor, Jennifer Baker, Natasha Smith, Andrea Cocks, Jim O'Donovan, Eileen O'Donovan

(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 16 th 6pm	Denice Bourke	Sacha Finlayson	Margaret Corrigan	Denise Woodman	A Ciavarella G Ranson A Hutchison	Simon Cowan
Sun Jan 17 th 8am	Coral Reilly	Keith Stewart	Lisa Cowan	M Normington S McCann	B Curtis T Miller R Kelly	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	11 Jan	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	12 Jan	LWWC 9.15am	No Mass
Wednesday	13 Jan	9.15am Mass	5pm Mass
Thursday	14 Jan	No Mass	9.15am Mass
Friday	15 Jan	9.15am Mass	No Mass
Saturday	16 Jan	6pm Mass	No Mass
Sunday	17 Jan	8am Mass	10am Mass
Reconciliation	11.30am Saturday		
ROSARY	15 mins before weekday Mass		

Cuppa after Mass in the Mercy Centre



FR LAURENCE SULLIVAN 60 YEARS PRIEST

Fr Laurence Sullivan SSS will be saying Mass at St Sebastian's, Merrigum on 24th January at 11.30am to celebrate his 60th year of ordination. This will be followed by lunch at the Kyabram Club at 1.00pm. For those interested in joining the family for lunch, meals and drinks will be at club prices.



Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Sunday 10 January 2016



Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22



Readings for
next Sunday

Isaiah 62:1-5
1 Corinthians 12:4-11
John 2:1-11



Liturgical Jottings

On this last day of Christmas Time, our prayers and readings resonate that Christ, both Son of God and Servant, brings good news to the poor and justice to all. It is into this mission that we have been baptised. We are servants of God. At our Baptism, we were given a lighted candle and told to keep that flame of faith alive. We show our faith in the world when we help the downtrodden, seek rights for others, and provide solace. In these ways we are "a light for the nations."

Jubilee Year of Mercy

"Patient and merciful." These words often go together in the Old Testament to describe God's nature. His being merciful is concretely demonstrated in his many actions throughout the history of salvation where his goodness prevails over punishment and destruction.

Pope Francis Misericordiae Vultus no 6

Looking at the Readings

This feast of Christ brings to a close the Christmas season that reveals who God is for us and who we are to be for others in Christ. The baptism of Jesus inaugurates his ministry as the messiah of God. The passage from Isaiah indicates the kind of messiah that God intends Jesus to be. He will be a servant, one who, though mighty, is gentle, one who is chosen by the high God yet committed to the needy and the marginal, one who is the proclaimed Son of God and who still attends to the least within the human community. He may have come from an insignificant village like Nazareth, but he was anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power.

For whom did the messiah of God come? He came for people who were broken and suffering, blind or imprisoned. He came for people who are so easily pushed to the margins, beyond our view, where the circumstances of their lives will not trouble us – the homeless, the unemployed, the abandoned children, the helpless elderly, the mentally and chronically ill. He also came to people who, like Cornelius, do not belong to our inner circles, people who for any number of reasons threaten us, people we might actually despise. He came for the strangers among us, those who have different cultural customs, those who worship in different ways. He came for people we have pushed out as well as for those we have refused to let in. The messiah of God came for all people without distinction. © Dianne Bergant CSS

Sharing our Tradition

Baptism is the first of the seven sacraments of the Church. A Sacrament is a sign through which God communicates love, life and forgiveness to us. "Immersion in water symbolises not only death and purification, but also regenerations and renewal. Thus the two principal effects (of Baptism) are purification from sins and new birth in the Holy Spirit." (Catholic Catechism § 1262)

On the Lighter Side - Punny Words I

A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two-tired.
What's the definition of a will? (It's a dead giveaway).
A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.



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