

WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

TATURA

KYABRAM

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Readings - Year A

Matthew

Weekday Year 1

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Mary Zobec

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.

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.



Third Sunday of Advent Year A - 11th December 2016

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION THIS TUESDAY

Communal Reconciliation will be held as follows:

- Tatura – Tuesday 13th December 2016 at 7.30pm.
- Kyabram – Wednesday, 14th December 2016 at 7.30pm.

CHRISTMAS ROSTERS

Clipboards are up the back for parishioners to put their name down for their availability to help with the liturgies for Christmas Masses.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

On this Third Sunday of Advent we light the rose coloured candle, the Shepherd's Candle or the Candle of Joy.



Cuppa after Mass this morning and a farewell to Mrs Trish Miller in the Mercy Centre.



2016 Christmas Mass Timetable Sacred Heart Tatura

Reconciliation Tuesday 13th December 7.30pm

Christmas Eve Saturday 24th December

Carols 5.30pm

Mass 6.00 pm

Christmas Day Sunday 25th December

Mass 10.00 am

Kyabram - St Augustine's 63 Church St Kyabram

Reconciliation Wednesday 14th December 7.30pm

Mass – Christmas Eve 24th Dec. – 7.30 pm (Family Mass)

Mass – Christmas Day 25th Dec. – 8.00 am

Boxing Day (on. 26th Dec.) No Masses

Tatura - Sat. 31st Dec. Mass 6.00pm

Sun. 1st Jan. 2017 Mass 8.00am

Kyabram Sun 1st Jan 2017 - Mass 10.00am



Those who have died recently	Tatura:	Shannon Wallace
	Kyabram:	Mary Ellen Ryan, Erwin Metzger, Gennaro Boemia
Those whose Anniversary occurs	Tatura:	Evelyn Woodman
	Kyabram:	Frank Reid, Alvin Stanley Brunt
Our sick and their carers	Tatura:	Kevin Wood, Connie Calleri, Dennis Smith
	Kyabram:	Bill Nicholson, Kaydn Mitchell (baby), Bailey Guinan (baby), Gisela Crook, Julie Shaw, Jim O'Donovan, Jessica Vile, Lyn Carey

(Our practice is to leave the names on the sick list for a month. To extend the time, please contact the parish office.)

Date	Commentator	Reader	Gospel Procession	Presentation of the Gifts	Special Ministers	Counters
Sat 17 th Dec 6pm	Denice Bourke	Debbie Turvey	Doreen Corrigan	Nell Noonan Joan Webster	S Finlayson G Ranson D Woodman	Carol Coulston
Sun 18 Dec 8am	Carol Coulston	Keith Stewart	Rob Miller	Trish Miller Marie O'Meara	L Cowan B Curtis R Kelly	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:			
DAY	DATE	TATURA	KYABRAM
Monday	12 Dec	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	13 Dec	9.15am LWWC	No Mass
Wednesday	14 Dec	9.15am Anointing Mass intention for Evelyn Woodman	5pm Mass
Thursday	15 Dec	No Mass	9.15am Mass
Friday	16 Dec	9.15am Mass	No Mass
Saturday	17 Dec	6pm Mass	No Mass
Sunday	18 Dec	8am Mass	10am Mass
Saturday	17 Dec	11.30am Reconciliation	
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before weekday Mass		

DECEMBER DIARY DATES		
Mon	12 Dec	
Tues	13 Dec	Italian Rosary 2pm Reconciliation 7.30pm
Wed	14 Dec	9.15am Anointing Mass, intention for Evelyn Woodman
Thurs	15 Dec	
Fri	16 Dec	School finishes
Sat	17 Dec	6pm Mass
Sun	18 Dec	8am Mass 4 th Sunday of Advent
Mon	19 Dec	
Tues	20 Dec	5.30pm Parish Pastoral Council
Wed	21 Dec	9.15am Mass intention for John Heathman
Thurs	22 Dec	
Fri	23 Dec	
Sat	24 Dec	Christmas Eve Mass 5.30pm Carols, 6pm Mass
Sun	25 Dec	Christmas Day Mass 10am

PASTORAL CARE

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

CARITAS AUSTRALIA ADVENT PROGRAM

Learn, act and pray for a more just and peaceful world this Advent by using Caritas Australia's Advent program.

Divided into the four weeks of Advent and exploring the themes of hope, peace, joy and love you can reflect on the Gospel, learn about the people Caritas Australia serves, pray and take action. There are resources for Parish groups/individuals, Catechists, Young Adults, Secondary and Primary schools.

Download the resources at www.caritas.org.au/advent.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"You too must be patient. Make you hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand." JAMES 5:8

Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer we better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

ITALIAN ROSARY

Il Rosario sarà celebrato nel St Mary's Hall 2pm Martedì 13 Dicembre. Ci sarà un rirescamento. Tutti Benvenuti.

The Christmas celebration for the Italian Rosary will be held on Tuesday 13th December at 2pm in the Parish Hall. All Welcome.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League annual subscription for 2017 of \$20.00 plus the Horizon\$20.00 is now due.

Members will be available to collect subs at the 6pm Mass 3rd December, 8am Mass 4th December and the 10am Mass on 11th December.

The Christmas Mass times for all Churches in our Diocese are now on the Web, please follow the link below to see your Parishes Mass times.
<http://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/index.php/parishes5/mass-times7>

SANDPIPER

The latest edition of the Sandpiper is in the Narthex. An article on the new learning space at Sacred Heart is on page 4.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

Summer School Melbourne - 8-15 Jan 2017 – Registrations now open!

Join other young people aged 16-35 for a powerful week of teaching, live music, sacraments, prayer, praise and great speakers. Register before 15th Dec for earlybird rates and/or register as a group of 4 and save \$100 (3 participants must be new to Summer School). More info:
melbourne@summerschool.org.au, 0490 157 556 or summerschool.org.au

ALONG THE TRACK

"Rituals can give us a sense of connection. Rituals can help ensure that the important moments of life that really count won't get lost. Rituals can pull us back to what's important, to what is sacred in our lives. They help us express our need for companionship, our need to connect, to mark special events and places as well as people. What rituals do you have in place to celebrate Christmas this year, to mark how it is special, to show that it celebrates something very sacred?"

This is the first paragraph from Jim Quillinan's Along the Track article. If you would like to read the **rest of this article, it can be found on our Parish website at www.staugsparishky.org.au** under 'Parish News'.

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

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

We wish all the teachers, staff, students and families a safe and enjoyable break over the school holidays.

SANDHURST ADVENT RESOURCES 2016

"Waiting with all Creation"

5 weeks reflection and prayer sheets

We have available some printed sets of the Sandhurst Advent Resources at the back of the church.

EMPLOYMENT: Co-ordinator of Pastoral Initiatives and Youth Ministry – Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst. Applications are invited for this full time position with the Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst – Bendigo. The successful applicant will participate in the development and implementation of a Pastoral Plan and will act as a reference point and co-ordination for a number of pastoral initiatives and movements in the Diocese. The successful applicant is responsible primarily to effectively co-ordinate and manage all resources and personnel involved in the delivery of diocesan services and events related to Youth Ministry whilst fostering the personal and spiritual growth of each person in the Diocese of Sandhurst. They will work in close collaboration with Pastoral Associates, RCIA, Catholic Charismatic Renewal, Adult Faith Education, the Diocesan Liturgical Commission, and Teams of Our Lady. It is desired that the successful applicant will have an understanding of and willingness to work within the Catholic ethos.

For any other queries please contact Sally Holmes on Ph (03) 5445 3617 or sally.holmes@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

A copy of the position description can be obtained from www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au.

EMPLOYMENT: Child Safety Officer – Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst. Applications are invited for this full time position with the Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst – Bendigo. A copy of the position description can be obtained from www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au. For any other queries please contact Sally Holmes on Ph (03) 5445 3617 or sally.holmes@sandhurst.catholic.org.au. Applications close Thursday 15 December 2016.



Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 35:1-6,10
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11



Readings for next
Sunday:

Isaiah 7:10-14
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-24



Liturgical Jottings

Jesus is not recorded as asking the messengers about John's well-being in prison. Yet Jesus must have felt this situation very deeply. John the Baptist and Jesus were related; they were cousins. The depth of his feeling is reflected when Jesus speaks so positively and powerfully about John. It reads almost as a funeral eulogy praising the greatness of the deceased. Yet regardless of John's greatness, Jesus assures his audience that even the least in the kingdom is greater than John.



Quote from Pope Francis

Advent has a special charm; it makes us experience deeply the meaning of history.
Angelus December 2013

Looking at the Readings

Half way through Advent we pause for a moment to celebrate Gaudete Sunday, a Sunday for rejoicing. Isaiah paints a picture of regeneration. The desert that once seemed to be dead is now bursting with life; eyes that lacked sight, ears incapable of capturing and holding sound, limbs without strength, and tongues devoid of speech are all given new life. There will be no death in that age of fulfilment, no limitations, no mourning. As we move deeper and deeper into the reality of God's presence in our midst, we will discover the meaning of true fulfilment.

John the Baptist is a standard for judging the privilege of entering here and now, the kingdom of heaven. He was the herald of the coming of Jesus, the one who prepared for him, but John himself died before the death and resurrection of Jesus opened the flood gates of the eschatological tide. By comparison, even the least in the kingdom of God is far greater than this prophetic herald. John also serves as a model of patience in suffering. His circumstances teach us that moving toward eschatological fulfilment is not without cost.

Just as Matthew presents us with the example of John the Baptist, so James describes the patience required of those who await the age of fulfilment. That age of fulfilment will dawn in its time; all we can do is discharge our responsibilities regardless of how demanding they might be, and wait for that day patiently, convinced that it will come in God's due time. © Dianne Bergant CSS

Featured Feast of the Week Tuesday 13 December

Saint Lucy She was martyred in Syracuse, probably during the persecution of Diocletian (which started in 303). Devotion to her spread rapidly across practically the whole Church and her name is included in the Roman Canon of the Mass. Lucy is the patron saint of eyes and eye troubles.

On the Lighter Side

As a little girl climbed onto Santa's lap in the mall, Santa asked the usual question, "And what would you like for Christmas?" The child stared at him open mouthed for a minute, then gasped: "Didn't you get my Email?"

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God, I can't say it in words ... can you please just listen through my heart.

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