



Readings for
this week: Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Romans 10:8-13
Luke 4:1-13



Readings for
next Sunday: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 9:28-36



Liturgical Jottings

Lenten Prayers 1

God of goodness and mercy,
Hear my prayer as I begin this
Lenten journey with you. Let
me be honest with myself as I
look into my heart and soul,
noticing the times I turn away
from you. Guide me as I
humbly seek to repent and
return to your love. May
humility guide my efforts to be
reconciled with you and live
forever in your abundant
grace. Transform me this Lent,
heavenly Father. Give me the
strength to make myself
entirely available to you every
day as I prepare for Easter.
Amen.

(Dynamic Catholic.com)

A Lenten Preface

Lord, holy Father, You call us to
keep this holy season where
through fasting and prayer and the
discipline of your fatherly love you
offer us in Christ a healing for our
sins and the strength to grow in
the practice of charity.

(Ambrosian Rite, Thurs 3 of Lent)

Looking at the Readings

Control seems to be the political and societal flavour of the year. So many want to be in control of others. Though the Christian perspective is to be in control of oneself. The Temptations of Jesus in the wilderness presented in the Gospel of the first Sunday of Lent each year show that the devil wanted to be in control of Jesus and tempted Him, in turn, to be in control of all the kingdoms of the world and other matters. Jesus overcame these three temptations. He had the tools. He was filled with the Holy Spirit (4:1), he fasted (v2) and prayed to the Father. The Gospel of Ash Wednesday reminds the Christian of the three exercises which is eloquently expressed in one of the Lenten Prefaces (see left column) and that strengthens our minds, bodies and wills.

The First Readings for the Sundays of Lent from the Old Testament give episodes in the History of Salvation. Today's reading is an old creed from a liturgy of offering food. It recalls God's action and blessings.

The Second reading reminds the Christian that the faith we proclaim must be sincere, from the heart, and not just "doing" things by duty or habit.

Lenten Quote from the Saints

"We must fast with our whole heart, that is to say, willing, wholeheartedly, universally and entirely." *St Francis de Sales*

Season of Lent

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence from meat. The law of fasting binds those who have completed their 18th year until their 60th year. The law of abstinence binds those who have completed their 14th year. (CCL 97, 1251). The law of fasting prescribes or allows a single full meal each day according to accepted local custom. (III §2 Paenitemini, Paul VI, 1966) Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. In this way, the whole Church prepares for Easter with those who are to be baptised. Other celebrations must take account of the spirit on penance: musical instruments are only used to sustain singing and floral decorations are very simple. (*Aust/NZ Ordo 2025 page 45*)

Text for the Day

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble. *Psalm 90:15*

On the Lighter Side

Why will you never see Satan in an Armani suit? The Devil Wears Prada. What do you say when you greet the devil? Hell-o



 Please email or contact the Parish Office to add names to our prayer list	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	Shane Hodges
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	Bernard McNamara, Lucio Miranda (1 month)
	Our sick and their carers	Judith Steele,

NEXT TWO WEEK'S ROSTERS

Saturday 15th March 6:00pm

Commentator: Carol Coulston
 Reader: Anne Hutchison
 Gospel Procession: Delphi Hamilton
 Gifts: J Caiafa & M Vraca
 Screen Operator: Deb Turvey
 Music Operator: Trish Warnett

Sunday 16th March 10:30am

Commentator: *School organised*
 Reader: *School organised*
 Gospel Procession: *School organised*
 Gifts: *School organised*
 Special Minister: Debbie Worm
 Screen Operator: Lou Worm
 Music Operator: Trish Warnett
 Money Counters: L Worm & E Worm

Sunday 23rd March 10:30am

Commentator: Debbie Worm
 Reader: Sheila Gregg
 Gospel Procession: Barbara Miller
 Gifts: S & S De Lai
 Special Minister: Ross Kelly
 Screen Operator: Mary Gale
 Music Operator: Trish Warnett
 Money Counters: E Worm & C Coulston

Thanks to all of our volunteers, we appreciate the support you give to your parish.

Three Week Mass Timetable Week Commencing 12th March

Weekday Masses

Wednesday 12th March 9:15am
 Friday 14th March 9:15am (Stations of the Cross)

Weekend Mass

Sat 15th March 6:00pm
 Sunday 16th March 10:30am (School Children's Mass)

Weekday Masses

Wednesday 19th March 9:15am
 Friday 21st March 9:15am (Stations of the Cross)

Weekend Masses

Sunday 23rd March 10:30am

Weekday Masses

Wednesday 26th March 9:15am
 Friday 28th March 9:15am (Stations of the Cross)

Weekend Mass

Sunday 30th March 10:30am

Monthly events

Anointing Mass every 1st Wednesday Mass at 9:15am
Italian Rosary every 2nd Friday at 2pm in the Church
Reconciliation every 1st Saturday of the month (30 minutes before Mass)
Saturday evening Masses: 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month

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Each Friday during Lent there will be the Stations of the Cross following Mass at 9:15am.

Plate Collection and Envelopes

Thank you so much for your generosity and support of parish.

May God bless you always.

Last week: \$582.70



Thank You

Ladies Cuppa & Chat

1st Wednesday of each month at 2pm in St Mary's Hall. All welcome.



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Sacred Heart Parish Tatura

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil.

Luke 4:1

New Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Communion to the Sick - Training There will be training for Readers, Eucharistic ministers and for those who would like to take Communion to the Sick on 15th & 22nd March at 11:00am in the church. Please put your name on the list in the Narthex if you would like to participate – this is for new and a refresher for current volunteers. A Working with Children Check (WWCC) is required to take Communion to the Sick.

New Parishioners: If you are new to the parish and would like to know more, volunteer, or be on our register there is a form in the Narthex for you to fill in and return. Thank you and welcome. We would love to hear from you.

Saturday Mass times for 1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month

Saturday 6:00pm (Oct – Mar) 5:00pm (Apr-Sep)



St Vincent de Paul

The Mooroopna Conference is happy to offer a service to people from Tatura at the Mooroopna Office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9.00am to 1.00pm. Please ring for an appointment on 0437 915 732 or 8199 4232 between 9.00am and 10.30am.

Parish Shared Lunch on 23rd March

Please add your name to the list if you would like to join in the birthday celebration for Fr Uday.



THANK YOU to Joe Gagliardi for organising the new sign at the front of the church with the Mass times and contact details. It looks fantastic and we appreciate the effort that was put into this. Thank you once again Joe.



The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish. All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve."

1st Sunday of Lent

Reflecting on the themes of the 1st Sunday of Lent Year C helps us deepen our faith. By focusing on the concepts of temptation, salvation, and trust, we prepare our hearts for Easter. Let these reflections guide us through Lent as we grow closer to God.

Trusting God means believing that He will guide and support us. It means turning to Him in prayer and relying on His strength.

During Lent, we are called to deepen our trust in God through prayer, fasting, and acts of charity.

Let's use this Lenten season to strengthen our trust in God.

By relying on Him, we can face any challenge and grow in our faith. Trust in God is the foundation of our spiritual journey.



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Lord, help us to trust in You and resist temptation. Guide us to share Your love and salvation with everyone. Strengthen our faith during this Lenten season. Amen.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We turn our hearts and minds to the people of the Yorta Yorta nation, who have occupied this country for thousands of years. We pay respect to their elders past, present and emerging, and commit to walking alongside First Nation Australians in truth, justice and reconciliation.

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