

St. Augustine's Parish, Maryborough

~inc. St. Kevin's, Barnett St. Avoca, St. Mary's, Hardy St. Dunolly,
St. Patrick's, Pyrenees H'way & Evans St. Amphitheatre,
St. Patrick's, Main St. Bealiba, St. Patrick's, Barkly-Redbank Rd. Redbank,
St. Augustine's, Burke St, Maryborough~

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17th May 2020 Sixth Sunday of Easter

BISHOP PAUL BIRD'S EASTER PRAYER IN THIS CHALLENGING TIME OF COVID-19:

O God, healer of all our ills, to whom we turn in this time of distress, grant we pray in the power of faith, eternal rest to those who have died and comfort to those who mourn, health to the sick and peace to the dying, strength to medical workers, wisdom to our leaders and a spirit of kindness to us all.

MASS UPDATE: After this week's State Government COVID-19 changed restrictions, Bishop Paul Bird advises it may be possible for some churches to open for Prayer and for Funerals for up to 20 people. However limiting Mass to 10 people makes this impractical for us for now, including for weekday Mass, as while Winter has arrived and physical distancing applies, this isn't possible in our small heated weekday Mass room. We pray that there will be no COVID-19 second wave and our State will soon be able to move to resuming both Sunday and Weekday Mass in each parish.

SIMON PETER VAN DEN BELD RIP: We pray for Simon (aka Peter) who died in Sydney on 5th May, aged 73, and was buried at Avoca on Thursday adjacent to the grave of his parents, Avoca retirees John and Helen Van Den Beld, who were both buried there in 1986.

ST. JOHN 1, POPE AN MARTYR (18TH MAY). In his short pontificate (523-526), John convoked the Council of Orange, fixed the date of Easter, and promoted Roman chant. The Arian King Theodoric forced John to travel to Constantinople, and upon his return imprisoned him. John died of starvation at the prison in Ravenna.

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for Simon Peter Van Den Beld who died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time especially: Margaret McEvoy, Betty Barrett, Frank Brady, Alan Herd, Lyn Congues, Lucy O'Dea, Giovanni Maruca, Gary Jongebloed, Frank and Noni Daly, John Walsh, Gerard Cudmore, Matthew Anderson, Ian Epworth Snr., Frances McQuillen, Lena Evans and John Fenech.