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. Augustine's, Burke St, Maryborough~

Parish Priest: Fr. John Monaghan **Pastor Emeritus:** Fr. Pat Flanagan

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26th February 2023 First Sunday of Lent in Ordinary Time Year A

Collections "Thank You" First Collection – \$821 <u>For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses</u>. Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving – \$920 For Parish expenses and Church maintenance.

- ST. KEVIN'S, AVOCA 8.30am Mass 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.
 - 8.30am Assembly at Avoca on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays of each month.
- ST. MARY'S, DUNOLLY 8.30am Mass 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.
 - 8.30am Assembly at Dunolly on 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month.
- ST. PATRICK'S, BEALIBA <u>8.30am Mass on the 5th Sunday</u> of the month.
- ST. AUGUSTINE'S, MARYBOROUGH 6.00pm Saturday and 10.30am Sunday

Tuesday 28th Feb - 10.00am Mass Wednesday 1st March - 10.00am Mass Thursday 2nd March - 10.00am Mass

Friday 3rd March - 10.00am World Day of Prayer Services at St Kevin's Avoca, St Mary's, Dunolly and Maryborough Uniting Church

- 11.00am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

- 12.00 Midday Mass

- 6.00pm Stations of the Cross at St Pat's, Bealiba

Readers Psalm/Prayer Gifts Feb 25th M. Lacev G. Hadwen **Hamilton Family** Feb 26th K. Lloyd P. Egan Schwager Family Mar 4th J. Walsh D. Hamilton **Lacey Family** Mar 5th T. Waterson M. Flowers **Knowles Family**

DUNOLLY LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUP: Please contact Janine Paley 0428 681 580 for when and where this is each week.

MARYBOROUGH LENT DISCUSSION GROUP: Please ring Rose Byrne 0428 403 760 about when and where this is meeting each week.

BEALIBA STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 6.30pm every Friday during Lent, from 24th February to Good Friday 7th April, at St Patrick's Church. Each Friday will have different Scripture references and reflections, followed by a cuppa. Everyone welcome. Chris Newdick 0429 169 363

PETER JOSEPH RAFFERTY 8/7/1946 – 22/2/2023: We pray for Peter Rafferty of Majorca Rd, Maryborough who died on Thursday and whose Funeral Prayers are likely to be at St Augustine's church this week, where he and Marilyn Jones married in 1966, followed by his burial at Maryborough cemetery. Condolences to Marilyn and their family.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – 10.00am THIS FRIDAY 3rd MARCH:

Car maker Henry Ford famously declared in 1909: "Customers can have their car painted any colour they want as long as it's black." This year we have a choice of three separate World Day of Prayer gatherings – at Avoca, Dunolly and Maryborough – at the same time. Welcome to attend all three, most people are likely to make just one:

- 10.00am at St Kevin's Catholic Church, Barnett St, Avoca.
- 10.00am at St Mary's Catholic Church, Hardy St, Dunolly.
- 10.00am at St Andrew's Uniting Church, Neill St, Maryborough.

Whenever and wherever we gather, we do this in unison with of people of all faiths and denominations both in our local communities and throughout the world. This year's prayers have been prepared by Taiwan.

ANNUAL CLERGY RETREAT: Please pray for the priests of our Ballarat diocese as we gather for our annual Retreat at Halls Gap this week.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS MAGAZINE: Please pick up your free Autumn edition titled "Touring the World of Jesus" containing informative insight into the life and times of Jesus and many other interesting articles.

CARITAS AGENCIES RESPOND TO CATASTROPHIC EARTHQUAKES IN TURKEY AND WAR-TORN SYRIA:

Caritas Turkey is assisting local authorities and other organisations with emergency relief and helping families recover from the Türkiye and Syria earthquakes. Donate via 1800 024 413 or simply write Turkey & Syria on an envelope, enclose your donation and put this on any collection or via www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/turkey-and-syria-earthquake

LENT PRAYER RESOURCES: available from https://www.ballarat.catholic .org.au/services-agencies-2/pastoral/liturgy-sacraments/liturgy-resources/

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for Peter Rafferty who died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time: Paul Hayes, Eileen Urquhart, Jacqueline Bond. Jock Zampatti, Kath Bennett, Theo Hanley, Graham Williams, Margaret Evans and Agnes McInnes.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL 1st Sunday in Lent. Year A

Priest: As we enter into our forty days of Lent,

we pray for what we need.

Reader: That we will follow Christ and serve him alone.

(pause) Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That we will be faithful through prayer, fasting and giving of ourselves in our time of preparation for Easter.

(pause) Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That those who face the wilderness of poverty and homelessness, hunger and famine will be sustained by the mercy and kindness of others..

(pause) Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That, when tempted by evil, we will, like Christ, choose the path of goodness and not be deceived and that leaders of nations will resist the temptation of greed and power.

(pause) Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That Peter Rafferty who died this week and those whose anniversaries are at this time will be received with joy and gladness into God's eternal kingdom.

(pause) Lord, hear us: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest: We ask for Mary's intercession – "Hail Mary ...

Priest: God of mercy and compassion, hear our prayers and help

us enter into your forgiveness and mercy throughout the

season of Lent through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.