



## 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

**Parish Secretary and Child Safety Officer:** Jill Morse

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## 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021 Second Sunday of Advent

Collections "Thank You". First Collection – \$823 For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses.

Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving – \$971 For Parish expenses and Church maintenance.

**ST. KEVIN'S, AVOCA – 8.30am Mass 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month.**  
– **8.30am Assembly at Avoca on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month.**

**ST. MARY'S, DUNOLLY – 8.30am Mass 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month.**  
– **8.30am Assembly at Dunolly on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month**

**ST. PATRICK'S, BEALIBA – 8.30am Mass on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month.**

**ST. AUGUSTINE'S, MARYBOROUGH – 6.00pm Saturday and 10.30am Sunday**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – 10.00am Mass**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December – 10.00am Mass**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December – 10.00am Mass**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December – 11.00am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament**  
**– 12.00 Noon Mass**

	Readers	Psalm/Prayer	Gifts
Dec. 4	J. Leneaux-Gale	M. Lacey	Walsh Family
Dec. 5	T. Waterson	P. Egan	Knowles Family
Dec 11	G. Loyer	M. Lacey	B. Teggerth
Dec.12	T. Jacka	B. O'Connor	M. Flowers

**Please check in via QR code or signing in at all Masses.**

**Vaccination certificates are required when numbers are over 50.**

**NEW DEACONS FOR OUR DIOCESE:** We are invited to attend the ordination Mass at 7.00pm this Friday evening 10<sup>th</sup> December when Bishop Paul ordains Bill Lowry and Matt Restall as deacons for our diocese at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat. As per Government requirements, proof of vaccination status will be required and the usual checking in procedures.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AND MEAL:** Our next parish council meeting (and meal) 6.00pm this Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 68 Burke St.

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:** Similar to previous years:

Christmas Eve: 6.00pm at Maryborough and 8.00pm at Avoca.

Christmas Day: 8.30am Dunolly and 10.30am at Maryborough.

Maryborough and Dunolly Masses are likely to be outside due to COVID-19 restrictions and we'll be asked to byo chair.

**MAKING A SCENE AT CHRISTMAS:** After several years travelling our diocese and beyond each December displaying their extensive Christmas crib collection, Fiona Tonkin, Fr Andrew Hayes and their team now have a beautiful 5 minute reflection on our Ballarat diocese website or via:  
<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/making-a-scene-at-christmas/>

**NEW DEACON FOR ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH:** After ordination as a deacon there is a nine to twelve month parish placement before priestly ordination. Some of us may remember when back in 1980-81 we last had a deacon in our parish and some may even recall who that was. Bishop Paul has announced that Matt Restall will be appointed to our parish and Bill Lowry to Redan parish in Ballarat. They still have their final year of study to complete and will need to return to Corpus Christi College seminary, Carlton from time to time – thus why parishes not too distant from Melbourne have been chosen for their appointments. We're grateful that, after Fr Tuyen with us in 2015 and Fr Mark in 2019, we'll be again pleased and privileged to welcome another fine young man to our parish and look forward to supporting Matt throughout his final year of preparation for priestly ministry.

**ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL BUILDING GRANT:** Our member for Mallee, Anne Webster, has announced a \$1.6 million Federal Government building grant for St Augustine's School. The 19<sup>th</sup> November Maryborough Advertiser has a photo of a very happy principal Sonia Turner receiving this wonderful news. Along with our local contribution, this will enable a building project of \$2 million to proceed for upgraded classrooms, library and admin facility that will greatly benefit all students. With classes almost finalised for 2022, late enrolment applications for next year will need to be made ASAP.

**COLUMBAN CALENDARS AND CHRISTMAS CARDS:**

Now available after Sunday Mass from St Augustine's Piety Stall.

Caleendars for \$7.00 and Christmas Cards for \$8.00 per pack.

*Remembering those who have died:*

*We pray for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time: Mick Gallagher, Ann Maree Jones, Shane Melton, Thomas Maffescioni, Graeme Pora, Jack May, Lou Prunty, Una Mary Burns, Bernard Maffescioni, Leo Grigg and Mary Agnes Chapman*

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Priest: let us bring our prayers before the Lord, our hope and our salvation.

**Reader: We pray for Bill Lowry and Matt Restall as they prepare to be ordained Deacons for our diocese. That they may be effective in action, gentle in ministry, and constant in prayer.**

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

**Reader: We pray for the children of our parish who were welcomed to the Lord's Table for their First Communion during the past week.**

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

**Reader: For the insight to see God's goodness in every person and all things.**

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

**Reader: That winding ways be straightened and rough roads made smooth on our path to celebrating Jesus' birth into our waiting world at Christmas.**

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

**Reader: For those who died recently and those whose anniversaries are named on our Bulletin.**

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

Priest: For Mary's intercession we pray: "Hail Mary....."

**Priest: Lord God, your promise of salvation is close at hand. Hear our prayers and help us follow John the Baptist in eagerly embracing your will for our world through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**All: Amen.**