



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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6th December 2020 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Collections "Thank You". First Collection – \$604 *For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses.*
Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving \$853 *For Parish expenses and Church maintenance.*

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

ST. KEVIN'S, AVOCA – 8.30am Mass 1st and 3rd Sundays each month.

ST. MARY'S, DUNOLLY – 8.30am Mass 2nd and 4th Sundays each month.

ST. PATRICK'S, BEALIBA – 8.30am Mass 5th Sunday (31st January 2021)

Tuesday 8th December – 10.00am Mass
(– 6.00pm Mass for Grade 6 Children & Families ONLY)

Wednesday 9th December – 10.00am Mass

Thursday 10th December – 10.00am Mass

Friday 11th December – 11.00am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
– 12.00noon Mass

BACK TO FULL MASS SCHEDULE: We thank God that at long last we can gather for Mass in each of our parish communities, including at St Augustine's, which we were unable to do when limited to 20 people. Hygiene precautions including social distancing and wearing face masks are required. Under the 4 square metres recipe, 120 can fit in St Augustine's and more if needed around the altar and upstairs up to a maximum of 150.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY'S JESSE TREE: The Jesse Tree will this year be at St Augustine's Primary School. Anyone wishing to donate to St Vincent de Paul's Christmas Appeal can use envelopes at back of the church and leave these on collection plate or at Vinnies shop. These donations will be used for food relief over Christmas within our parish.

2021 COLUMBAN CALENDARS: At Maryborough, Avoca and Dunolly for \$7

ROSTERS: New Rosters will be available in the New Year. With these Ministries, for Saturday Evening Mass please let Grey Loyer know you are available and for Sunday Morning Mass please let Bob Iles know of your availability. If you wish to go onto the new Rosters, or come off these, please let Fr. John or Jill know as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have served us faithfully for many years.

PETER BALZAN TURNS 80: We congratulate Peter on becoming our latest parish octogenarian and wish him many more years of happiness and good health.

GRADE SIX GRADUATION MASS AND CEREMONY: Congratulations to our Grade Sixes whose very different year culminates in their special Mass and ceremony in St Augustine's church this Tuesday, albeit limited to their families and school staff. We pray for them and wish them the very best for the future.

ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH COOLING AND HEATING: We're grateful for the generosity of a parishioner who has enabled us to install two reverse cycle air conditioners near the front of St Augustine's church that we're hoping will take the edge off the temperature on very hot and very cold days.

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH REDBANK: Advertising for selling St Patrick's Church has commenced this week at Maryborough Ballarat Real Estate where Kate Ashton welcomes our enquiries. It'd be great if this could be sold to someone in our parish or someone we know who may be interested. Please spread the word.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: Thursday 24th and Friday 25th December

Christmas Eve - 6.00pm Mass (outdoors) at St Augustine's School

- 7.30pm Carols at St. Kevin's Avoca

- 8.00pm Mass at St. Kevin's Avoca

Christmas Day - 8.30am Mass at St. Mary's Dunolly

- 10.30am Mass at St. Augustine's Maryborough

PLENARY COUNCIL UPDATE. The journey to the Plenary Council 2020 continues. While it is in a context more different than we could have ever expected, the need to pray, discern and listen to the Holy Spirit and each other is more important than ever.

Discernment Papers: The six discernment papers have been released and are available to read at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/continuing-the-journey-of-discernment/ead>. The National Plenary Facilitation Team have released a resource to assist parishes and communities to explore each of the papers.

Have a read of these and think about our parish and our diocese. Comments are most welcome. Please send through to jane.collins@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Plenary Council Discernment papers now available in audio format: The Diocese of Bathurst has taken the discernment papers to another format, recording audio versions to help with the reception of the documents. All six discernment papers have now been recorded and can be accessed on the Plenary Council website <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/continuing-the-journey-of-discernment/>

Reflections on the papers from the Ballarat Diocese: Can be read at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/listen-to-what-the-spirit-is-saying/>

Remembering those who have died:

*We pray for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time:
Thomas Maffescioni, Graeme Pora, Jack May, Lou Prunty, Una Mary Burns,
Bernard Maffescioni, Leo Grigg, Robert Mooney, Norman Lindsay, Gerald Halpin, David Singe, Greta Harnetty, Noel Faid and Gail Davey.*

5th December 2020 2nd Sunday of Advent

Priest: Let us bring our prayers before the Lord, who is our hope and our salvation.

Reader: That nothing will hinder us from preparing for Christ's coming and receiving him with great joy.

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

Reader: That, with John the Baptist, our words and deeds may point the way to Christ's presence among us.

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

Reader: That those who daily live with depression, distress and disharmony will be filled with the joy of God's love for us in Jesus Christ.

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

Reader: That those who are sick from illness, accident or COVID-19 will find deliverance from their suffering.

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

Reader: We pray for those who died recently and all whose anniversaries are named on the Bulletin.

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

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

Priest: God of justice and peace, your prophets challenge us and confront our complacency. Teach us to heed the words of John the Baptist and embrace your will for our world through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.