



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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St Augustine's School: 5460 4440 **Principal:** Mrs. Sonia Turner

9th April 2023 Easter Sunday

Collections "Thank You" First Collection – \$931 *For Clergy support and Presbytery expenses.*

Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving – \$692 *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 – 8.30am Mass on the 5th Sunday of the month.

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

	Readers	Psalm/Prayer	Gifts
April 8	G. Hadwen	J. Leneaux-Gale	Walsh Family
April 9	J. Taylor	T. Bell	B. Alexander
April 15	D. Hamilton	B. Crameri	Lacey Family
April 16	C. Egan	B. O'Connor	Lloyd Family

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK: 10.00am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.

11.00am Exposition and 12.00noon Mass on Friday.

BRON LUCAS RIP 28/1/1926 – 30/3/2023: Bron was born in a part of Poland that's now in Ukraine. As a teenager, he fled from being conscripted into the German Army, was held as a prisoner of war in Italy and eventually escaped to England where he met and married his wife, Josephine, with whom he migrated to Australia. After Josephine's death in Adelaide 18 years ago, Bron made his retirement home with us where he lived an active life including indoor bowls two days before his sudden death and with us at St Augustine's where he'd park his gopher outside and take his regular seat. Greatly missed by his daughter Veronika Miles, son Simon Luciw, grand, great and great, great grandchildren, with whom we farewelled Bron with Funeral prayers on Tuesday.

EASTER BAPTISMS: We congratulate Ben Hoban and Warren Berry and warmly welcome them into our parish family as we Baptise and Confirm them during our 6.00pm Easter Vigil and are most grateful to Fr Flanagan for helping prepare them for this momentous occasion.

BISHOP PAUL BIRD'S 2023 EASTER MESSAGE: On 30th March 1874, Pope Pius IX issued a decree establishing the western part of Victoria as a distinct diocese, with the Murray River as the northern boundary and the Sea as the southern boundary. We continue to echo the Pope's decree in our diocesan vision statement that begins with the words: "We are a community of communities from the Murray to the Sea."

Our 150th anniversary next year will be an opportunity to remember those who have gone before us, those who have laid the foundations of our parish and school communities and the social services and health care in our diocese today. This will also be an opportunity to review our history, acknowledging both strengths and weaknesses, celebrating the achievements and recognising the failures to live our Christian life to the full. It will be a chance to take stock of where we are now and look ahead to how we can live as a truly Christian community, sharing the Good News of Christ, in the years to come.

Pope Francis asks us to develop a "synodal" way of living in which the whole community walks together. He highlights the value of listening to one another as we all seek to discern what the Holy Spirit wishes us to do in response to the many challenges facing the world in our time. In 2024, as well as celebrating the 150th anniversary of our diocese, we will hold a Diocesan Assembly, bringing together representatives of our parishes and schools, to consider how we might develop leadership in our communities in the future. Then in 2025 we will prepare for a Diocesan Synod in 2025–2026.

As we approach the great feast of Easter, I take confidence in the promise of the Risen Christ, that he will be with us as we gather in his name and as we seek to fulfil the mission he has entrusted to us. As we look to the 150th anniversary of our diocese, I give thanks that Jesus has guided us through the years so far and I pray that he will continue to guide us in the years ahead. May the peace of Christ be with you always. +Paul Bird CSsR

CARITAS – PROJECT COMPASSION: Thanks to our generosity, Caritas is able to give practical support to people throughout the world 365 days of the year through both emergency relief and ongoing community development programs towards its goal to "End Poverty, Promote Justice and Uphold Dignity." Project Compassion boxes and envelopes (or our donation enclosed in any envelope marked "Project Compassion") can be put on any collection at Easter Masses and the next couple of weekends.

Remembering those who have died:

We pray for Bron Lucas who died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time: Gerry Colbert, Joseph Trainor, Zillah Long, Adrian Val, Pat Zampatti, Nita Meagher, Veronica Graham, Mary Egan, Colin Rafferty, Naomi Murphy, Alan Ryan, Patricia Walsh, William Mennen. Edna Jolly and Murray Clarke.