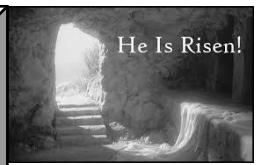


**St. Augustine's Parish, Maryborough**  
 ~inc. St. Kevin's, Barnett St. Avoca, St. Mary's, Hardy St. Dunolly,  
 St. Patrick's, Pyrenees H'way & Evans St. Amphitheatre,  
 St. Patrick's, Main St. Bealiba, St. Augustine's, Burke St, Maryborough~



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**8<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Collections "Thank You" First Collection – \$1397 *Clergy support & Presbytery expenses*  
 Second Collection - Parish Planned Giving – \$1535 *Parish expenses & Church maintenance*  
 (Amounts combined for Sundays 24<sup>th</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> October)

**ST. KEVIN'S, AVOCA – 8.30am Mass 1<sup>st</sup> & 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> & 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 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.**

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

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October            – 10.00am Mass  
 Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October      – 10.00am Mass  
 Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October        – 10.00am Mass  
 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October            – 12.00noon Mass

	Readers	Psalm/Prayer	Gifts
Oct 7 <sup>th</sup>	M Noonan	M Lacey	Lacey Family
Oct 8 <sup>th</sup>	M Jackson	S Dellavedova	B Alexander
Oct 14 <sup>th</sup>	J Duke	J Walsh	B Teggerth
Oct 15 <sup>th</sup>	M Flowers	C Egan	Hadwen Family

**ROSARY:** 5.30pm each Saturday in October at St Augustine's Church.

**BEALIBA ASSEMBLY – 8.30am SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER:**

On the last weekend in October there will be an Assembly at St Pat's Bealiba instead of the usual 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month Mass due to both John and Flags away that weekend.

**ST MARY'S, DUNOLLY:** Next meeting after 8.30am Mass today.

**JOSEF SIERER 29/5/1930–3/10/2023:** We pray for Joe Sierer of Avoca who died on Tuesday. His Funeral Prayers will be at St Kevin's church sometime this coming week. We also offer our prayers and support for Joe's wife, Elisabeth, and their son Rick.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:** 5.00pm this Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 68 Burns street, Maryborough.

### **ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER VOICE**

**REFERENDUM 14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER:** In this year's Social Justice statement, our Australian Catholic bishops ask us to "weigh up all the arguments and information carefully and choose the option which you believe offers the best chance of healing and justice for the First Peoples of our land." Copies can be googled online or via email or paper copy from our parish.

**ORGAN, BEDS, CHAIRS FOR SALE OR GIFTING:** Several miscellaneous furniture items in our parish are looking for new homes. These include a Kawai multi-orchestral electronic organ (4-5 years old), double bed, single bed and chairs. See Fr John for further details.

**A RAY OF LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS:** At the beginning of September, Pope Francis did something unprecedented. He declared Blessed a whole family, the Polish Ulma family, including a newborn baby, and described them as a ray of light in the darkness. There are several steps on the way towards Canonisation, ie. being named a Saint. Thus for a few years before Australia's own Mary McKillop was declared a Saint, we were calling her Blessed Mary McKillop. What had the Ulma family done to deserve this honour? Quite simply, they hid Jews in the attic of their house, to shield them from the Nazi Gestapo. It is very sad to have to acknowledge that Polish police took part in killing the Ulma family. This is perhaps explained by the deep-seated anti-semitism of many Poles. One of the police who took part in this murder shouted, "See how Polish pigs die for concealing Jews." Let us pray that soon the Ulma family will receive the Catholic Church's ultimate accolade, naming them Saints.

#### *Remembering those who have died:*

*We pray for Josef Sierer who died recently and those whose anniversaries at this time include: Bernard Walsh, William Petersen, Patrick Francis McKinley, Patrick Joseph McKinley, Alan Dunsmuir, Kathleen Wallace, Peter Millane, John Henry Driden, Kath Armstead.*

Priest: We pray with confidence to the One who is always ready to hear our intercessions for those in need.

Reader: That, with Pope Francis and Bishop Paul, our efforts to seek and follow God's desires will bear fruit in both this world and the next.

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

Reader: That, like the Lord's vineyard, our land will soon reap a bountiful harvest to feed and nourish those who struggle to put a meal on their table each day.

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

Reader: That we will be guided by the Holy Spirit when casting our votes in next weekend's Referendum on an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice to Parliament.

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

Reader: We pray quietly for our personal needs and intercessions.

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

Reader: That Josef Sierer who died this week and those whose anniversaries are at this time will be gifted with new life with the angels and saints in God's heavenly vineyard.

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

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

Priest: Loving God, through your Son, the stone rejected by the builders, hear our prayers and help us trust in your plans for us and all people to be with you forever and ever.

All: Amen.