



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A - Sunday 27 September 2026

St Augustine's Catholic Parish

Coffs Harbour



WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Tuesday - 9am Coffs Harbour

Wednesday - 9:30am Woolgoolga

Thursday - 9am Coffs Harbour

Friday - 9:15am Coffs Harbour

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 8:30am Woolgoolga

Saturday 5:30pm Coffs Harbour

Sunday 9am Coffs Harbour

Sunday 5:30pm Coffs Harbour

Sunday 11am Coramba
(1st Sunday of the month)

Fr Joe DSouza OCD - Administrator
Fr Vinod Lobo OCD - Assistant Priest

Parish Office

Curran Centre, 12 Gordon St, Coffs Harbour

Parish Church

St Augustine's, Gordon St, Coffs Harbour

Station Churches

St Francis Xavier, Scarborough St, Woolgoolga
St Therese, Gale St, Coramba



CONFESSION TIMES

Thursday

Coffs Harbour 9:30am - 10am

Saturday

Woolgoolga 8am - 8:20am

Coffs Harbour 4:45pm - 5:15pm

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Opening Hours Monday to Friday

Morning: 8:30am - 12noon

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COMMENCING Friday 2 October



THE 54TH INTERNATIONAL
**EUCCHARISTIC
CONGRESS 2028**
SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA



Eucharistic Adoration

eucharist28.org



Come, Let us Adore Him

Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the lord our maker
PSALM 95:6



Every First Friday of the Month



6:00PM - 7:00PM



St Augustine's Church



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Feast of St Thérèse of the Child Jesus

What if holiness is not about doing extraordinary things, but doing ordinary things with extraordinary love? St Thérèse shows us the beauty of her "Little Way": trusting God like a child, loving even in small things, and turning everyday moments into gifts of love. Today, she reminds us: we don't have to do great things to make a difference - just do little things with great love.

As we celebrate her feast at the **9am Mass on Thursday 1 October**, let us come together with joy and devotion, participate wholeheartedly in the celebrations, and ask her to inspire us. May we embrace her virtues of simplicity, humility, trust, prayer and love, and carry her "Little Way" into our homes, workplaces and communities. Let us celebrate St Thérèse not only with our presence, but by making her way of love our way of life.

Mass Readings

Entrance Antiphon - All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

First Reading

Ezekiel 18:25-28

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

Responsorial Psalm - Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading

Philippians 2:1-11

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus: His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

Communion Antiphon Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- For safety reasons the **upstairs loft is closed** until further notice.
- Next Sunday 4 October is the **Feast of St Francis of Assisi** and to celebrate we will be having a special **Blessing of the Pets** after the 9am Mass at the Curran Centre Garden. Please extend the invitation to your family and friends. All welcome. Pet owners are asked to ensure their beloved animals are on a lead or in a secure carrier. **Please do not leave your pet unaccompanied** in the car, outside Church or at the Curran Centre during Mass.
- If you would like to order a **2027 Annual** (Ordo, Daily Reflections, Break Open the Word or Daily Mass book) please contact the Parish Office 66510000 or email coffsadmin@coffscatholic.com by Friday 2 October.
- **Eucharistic Adoration: First Friday of October - Come, Spend Time with the Lord.** As we prepare for the Eucharistic Congress 2028 in Australia, we are invited to deepen our love for Jesus in the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Christian life. In the Eucharist, Christ gives Himself to us, remains with us, and lovingly invites us into His presence. To help nurture this devotion, we warmly invite all parishioners to join us for Monthly Evening Adoration from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Come and spend a peaceful hour with the Lord in prayer, reflection, and quiet adoration. Whether you stay for a few minutes or the entire hour, all are welcome. Let us take this opportunity to draw closer to Jesus, experience His loving presence, and be renewed in faith, hope, and love. We look forward to praying with you.
- **Refugee & Migrant Workers Centre (RMWC) Visit to Coffs Harbour.** The Refugee & Migrant Workers Centre (RMWC) is a not-for-profit organization that supports migrant workers across NSW with workplace rights, employment matters, and visa-related issues. They provide free, confidential advice and support in multiple languages. RMWC representatives will be visiting Coffs Harbour from 23–28 September and will be holding community information at our parish on 27 Oct after the 9 am Mass at St Augustine's church. They are also available to meet privately with individuals who may have questions or concerns about workplace rights, employment, or visa matters. All consultations are free and confidential. For more information about the Refugee & Migrant Workers Centre, visit: [RMWC Website](https://migrants.org.au/about/) <https://migrants.org.au/about/>
- **Rose Petal Prayer Evening** to celebrate the feast of St Therese of the Child Jesus at *Our Lady of the Sea Church at Nambucca* starting at 4pm. Please see flyers at the back of Church and our Noticeboard for details.
- **Parish Groups** (ABIDE Women's, Men's, Youth, Children's Liturgy, Playgroup and English for Hope) are having a break and will resume after the holidays.
- St Francis Xavier Church, Woolgoolga is open Monday 5:30pm - 6:30pm for personal prayer.
- The **Diocesan Art Competition exhibition** will be held at 2:30pm on Saturday 31 October 2026 at Crowley Care, 154 Cherry St, Ballina. All artworks that have been submitted through the parish will be forwarded to Ballina for the exhibition. For further information, please contact Madeline Beveridge at the Chancery.

St Augustine's Church Roster	3 October	4 October	4 October
	Saturday 5.30pm Vigil	Sunday 9am	Sunday 5.30pm
Co-ordinator	G. McCann & D. Barrett	C. Hancock	G. McCann
Commentator	B. Holmes	R. Mott	B. Hackett
Reader 1	P. Davies	A. Holmes	M. Carniato
Reader 2	E. Holmes	H. Alappatt	L. Walsh
Extraordinary Minister	J. Plummer	S. Cing/A Pius-Usiobaifo/ C. Cutmore	S. Brennan
Screen Operator	J. Fernandez	M. Rugg	R. Durham
Gifts	D. Jackson & N. Jarrett	Balais Family	Soo Family
Altar Servers		Saints Squad: Mikael, Henry, Monica, Angelene, Harriet, Jerone	
Morning Tea		Filippino community	
Children's Liturgy		Holidays	
Sacristan	Van Van	V Cauan	K Soo



**Diocesan
Investment
Fund**

Interest Rate - 4.15% (effective 1/8/2026)
For further information and our current interest rate, please visit
our website www.dif.org.au or contact us on 1800 802 516

October Feast Days

Join us this month as we celebrate these wonderful Feast Days

Come along to Mass

St Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Novena starts: Tuesday 23 September

Feast day: Thursday 1 October

Mass Time: 9am at St Augustine's Church

St Francis of Assisi

Feast day: Sunday 4th October

Mass Time: 9am at St Augustine's Church

Blessing of the Pets after the 9am Mass at the Curran Centre garden.

(animals to be on a lead or in a travel carrier)

Our Lady of the Rosary

Feast day: Wednesday 7 October

Mass Time: 9:30am at St Francis Xavier Church, Woolgoolga

The month of the Rosary

Rosary commences 8.35am before Mass at St Augustine's Church from 7th to 25th October

St Teresa of Avila

Novena starts: Tuesday 6 October

Feast day: Thursday 15 October

Mass Time: 9am at St Augustine's Church



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For more information call
our Parish Office 6651 0000

Reminder: Mission Sunday is on the weekend of 17-18 October



Free call: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/united



This year marks 100 years of World Mission Day, a time in which the global Church celebrates God's mission through prayer and generosity.

Today, that mission continues in places like Malawi, where communities are rebuilding after devastating floods and families are striving to create a future for their children.

In the coming weeks, we will share how the Church is walking alongside these communities, and how you can be part of this living mission of love.

To learn more about Catholic Mission and our work, please go to catholicmission.org.au/united.

Please pray for

Recently deceased: Dolcesemo Bairoy, Lisa Shipman, Marie Schwaiger, Maxwell Harris, Kieran Blaney, Therese Roach

Anniversary: Camillo Feltrin

Sick: Annette Garrett, Sandra Graham, Barbara Kacki, Judy Brooks

Devotions

St Augustine's Church

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:
8:30am 1st Sunday of month

Please note that the **Rosary** will now commence at **8:35am** (before Mass) on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Sundays (excluding 1st Sunday of month).

Rosary - **8:35am** (before Mass) Tuesday, Thursday, Fridays & Sundays (excluding 1st Sunday of month)

Rosary and Novena for Our Lady of Perpetual Help 2:30pm Wednesdays

Divine Mercy - after Friday morning Mass

THIS WEEK AT THE CURRAN CENTRE

Monday 28 September - Sunday 4 October

Parish Groups are on holidays

SUNDAY

Blessing of the Pets & Morning Tea after 9am Mass at Curran Centre garden

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our Lady of Mercy Chapel
Located at the Curran Centre.
Ramp access via the Parish Office

Opening Hours for all:

Monday - Friday
8:30am-3:30pm

Access outside these hours is via door code

Parishioners who would like to arrange after hours access please call
Maurice 0407 934 088



SAFEGUARDING IN THE DIOCESE

The Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contacted if you have any Safeguarding concerns. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support, and discuss all options available. Contact the Safeguarding Office:
Phone: (02) 6621 9444 or safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.