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### MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday 19 August —Sunday 24 August
Tuesday — 9am Coffs Harbour
Wednesday — 9:30am — Woolgoolga
Thursday — 9am Coffs Harbour
Friday — 9:15am — Coffs Harbour
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

# **Saturday**

8:30am Woolgoolga 5:30pm Coffs Harbour

## Sunday

9am Coffs Harbour 5:30pm Coffs Harbour

## **CONFESSION TIMES**

Friday Coffs Harbour 9:45am -10:15am Saturdays

Woolgoolga 8am - 8:20am Coffs Harbour 4:45pm - 5:15pm

# **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

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

**OPENING HOURS** 

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

Monday 9am, 11am, 12noon

For information call Maurice 0407934088

#### **NEWS & EVENTS**

Visit our website www.coffscatholic.com

**ASPIRE Young Adults** Spiritual Formation with Bishop Greg Homeming OCD will be held Monday 18th August. All Young Adults are welcome to join the group zoom in the Curran Centre Boardroom from 5.15pm.

**Church cleaning** - Reminder volunteers needed for cleaning St Augustine's Church at 2:30pm this Tuesday 19 August.

Parish Social lunch - Join us for our monthly Parish Social Luncheon at 12noon this Wednesday 20 July at the Curran Centre. Jubilee Year of Hope - Prayer and Worship night 7pm this Wednesday 20 August at St Augustine's Church, lead by the Men's and ABIDE Women's Groups. Please note ABIDE Women's group will not be meeting on Tuesday 19 August.

#### **AUGUST - Save the date:**

**Tuesday 26 August,** 9am Mass is cancelled as Fr is away.

**Sunday 31 August**, 9am Mass is the parish celebration for St Augustine's Feast Day.

# THIS WEEK AT THE CURRAN CENTRE MONDAY

- Young Adults 5:15pm 21 August. Zoom ASPIRE with Bishop Greg Homeming.
   TUESDAY
- Playgroup 9am 19 August WEDNESDAY
- Men's Prayer Group 8pm 20 August FRIDAY
- Youth Group (Teenagers) 5pm 22 August. The theme this week is HOPE.



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**Welcome** 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C, 17 August 2025

#### Parish Church

St Augustine's, Gordon St, Coffs Harbour **Station Churches** 

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

#### **MASS RESPONSES & READINGS**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

**READING 1** 

Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank. Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well, where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Lord, come to my aid!

**READING 2** 

Hebrews 12:1-4

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and *from now on has taken his place at the right* of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death. *Continued inside* 



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**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** Luke 12:49-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.



# PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Recently deceased**: Agnes Castle, Norbert Mittasch

**Anniversary:** Patricia Hogan, Caterina Costa, Antonio Costa

Sick: Charlotte Langler, Greg Wilkinson, Ian Wilkinson, Joel Wilkinson, John Mann, John Moran, Patrica Moran, Elizabeth Deegan, Carol Fritz, Chris Brown, Beryl Heelis, Peter Heelis, Maureen Mobbs, Rex Dignan, Judy Brooks

#### **DEVOTIONS IN THE CHURCH**

St Augustine's Church

Rosary - 8:30am (before weekday Mass) on Tuesday, Thursday, Fridays & Sundays (excluding 1st Sunday) Rosary & Novena for Our Lady of Perpetual Help 2:30pm Wednesdays Divine Mercy - after Friday Mass Exposition of Blessed Sacrament: 8:30am on 1st Sunday of month

# DISCALCED CARMELITE NUNS Goonellabah

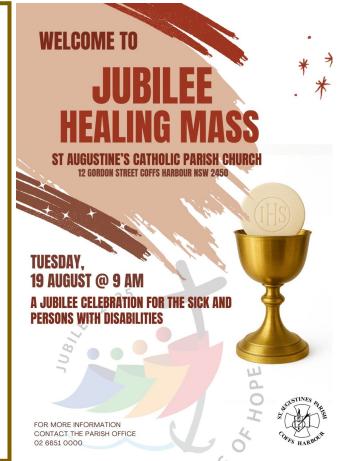


You are cordially invited by the Mother Prioress and the Carmelite Sisters of Goonellabah to the

Solemn Profession of Sister Therese-Marie of the Child Jesus (Bernadette Purton).

The ceremony will take place at the Carmelite Monastery, Goonellabah, on September 1, 2025, at 11:00AM, with His Excellency, Bishop Greg Homeming, as the main celebrant.

We are especially joyful as Sister Therese-Marie was a cherished parishioner with her family in our Parish during her childhood.



COFFS ROSTER	23 August Sat 5:30pm	24 August 9am	24 August Sun 5:30pm
Co-ordinator	G. McCann & D. Barrett	C. Hancock	G. McCann
Commentator	Vacant	P. Griffin	K. Kachel
Reader 1	P. Davies	C. Hancock	T. Baker
Reader 2	E. Hartley	R. Antiquina	B. Hackett
Extraordinary Minister	N. Higgins	B. Cleaver/N. Loader/N. Feltrin	C. Morrow
Screen Operator	E. Bowers	M. Miller	K. Druhan
Gifts	N. Dick	V. Elomina	V. Soo
Altar Servers		Peter, Michael, Jeffrey, Hezekiah, Michael, Nathaniel	
Morning Tea		D Garcia	
Children's Liturgy		M Carroll, M Machatsch	