



St Augustine's Catholic Parish

Coffs Harbour



WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Tuesday - 9am Coffs Harbour
Wednesday - 9:30am Woolgoolga

See Easter Triduum program below



Fr Joe DSouza OCD (Administrator)
Fr Vinod Lobo OCD

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 THIS WEEK

Available after 9am Mass
on Tuesday 31 March

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Morning: 8:30am-12noon
Afternoon: 12:30pm - 3:30pm

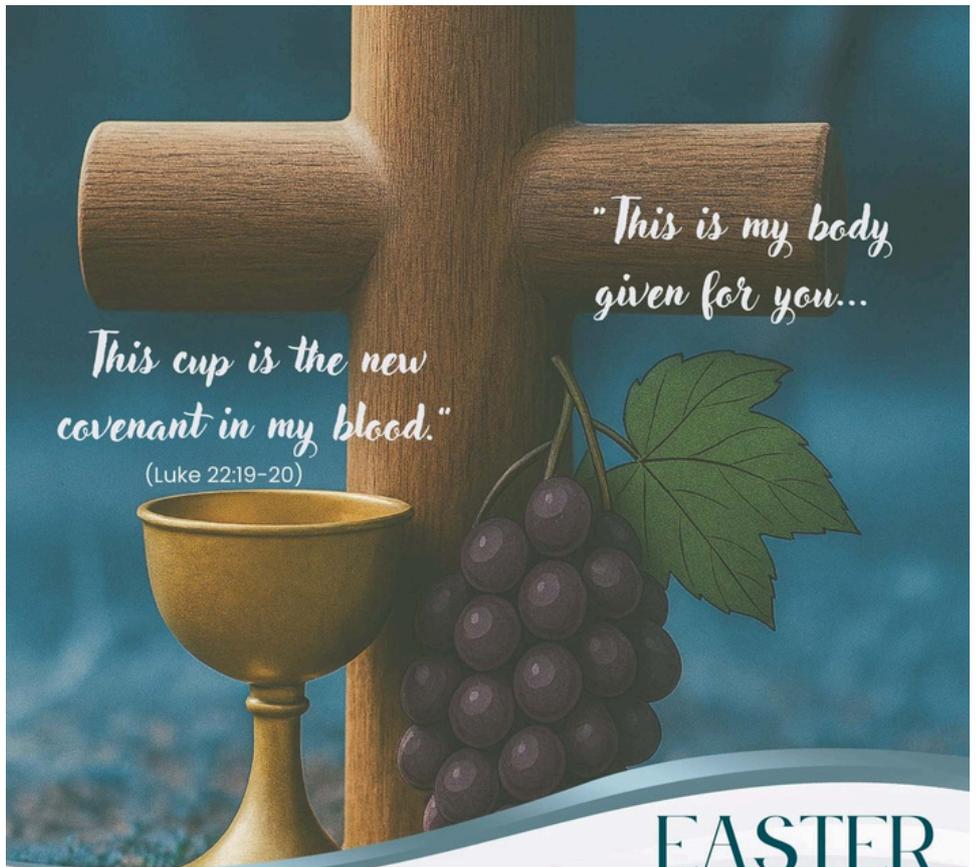
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EASTER TRIDUUM PROGRAM

St Augustine's Church

Holy Thursday 2nd April - 6:30 PM - Mass
Good Friday 3rd April - 9 AM - Station of the Cross
- 3 PM Service
Holy Saturday 4th April - 6:30 PM - Easter Vigil Mass
Easter Sunday 5th April - 8 AM Mass
- 10 AM Mass

St Francis Xavier Church - Woolgoolga

Good Friday 3rd April - 9 AM - Station of the Cross
Easter Sunday 5th April - 9 AM Mass



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12 Gordon St Coffs Harbour 02 6651 0000



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Mass Readings

Entrance Antiphon Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm - My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?:

Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus 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 Praise and honour to you Lord Jesus. Praise and honour Lord Jesus Christ. Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise and honour to you Lord Jesus. Praise and honour Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel

Matthew 26:14-27:66

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Communion Antiphon

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.



Please pray for

Recently deceased: Robert Morrison, Joseph Gordon Bradshaw, Sr Fran Kuhn RSM, Richard Barber, Myra Zacher, Jean Pemberton, Pat Hennessy, Sr Berenice Kerr RSM, Alejandro San Antonia Gavino, Jack Micallef

Anniversary: Patricia Philomena Perera

Sick: John Davis, Dr Peter Goldman, John Brennan, Judy Brooks

Devotions St Augustine's Church

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

Rosary - 8:30am (before Mass) Tuesday, Thursday, Fridays & Sundays (excluding 1st Sunday of month)

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

Divine Mercy - after Friday morning Mass



Holy Thursday collection for Project Compassion

There will be a collection at the Holy Thursday Mass for Project Compassion. A reminder to please return your Project Compassion envelopes and boxes at Mass or to the Parish Office.



You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code. Or online at: www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate Or by calling: 1800 024 413 Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty this Lent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Easter Triduum Liturgy** Roster still has a few vacancies. The Sign-up Sheet is at the back of Church.
- **Combined Choir practice** for Easter Triduum will be held at 5:30pm on Tuesday 31st March at St Augustine Church. All choir members most welcome to attend.
- **RCIA** - 6pm Wednesday 1 April. Meet at St Augustine's Church this week for the Easter Vigil Rehearsal.
- **Holy Thursday** - there will be one hour of silent adoration at the Altar of Repose after the Holy Thursday Mass on 2 April.
- There will be two Easter Sunday morning Masses at St Augustine's Church. **Children's Liturgy and Church Morning Tea** will take place at the **8am Easter Sunday Mass**.
- **St Francis Xavier Church Woolgoolga** - Please note there will be no 3pm Good Friday Service and no Mass on Holy Saturday 4 April at St Francis Xavier Church. Mass will be held on Easter Sunday at 9am at St Francis Xavier Church. A reminder the Liturgy Roster is at the back of the Church for collection.
- **St Therese Church Coramba** - There will be no Mass at **Coramba Church** on the 1st Sunday of April (Easter Sunday 5 April).
- **Special collections:** On Holy Thursday there will be a collection for **Project Compassion** and at the Good Friday Service there will be the annual **Holy Lands** collection (envelopes will be on the pews).
- **A Kind Invitation** - With rising petrol costs, some in our parish—especially the elderly—may find it hard to get to Mass. If you have space, please consider offering a lift to someone nearby.
- **Parent Supervision Reminder:** For the safety and wellbeing of all children, we kindly ask that parents or guardians accompany their children when using the parish toilets.
- **Lenten Reflection groups** - our Lenten groups have concluded. There will be no Lenten groups this week.
- **Bishop Homeming's Lenten Talk Series** is available to watch on Lismore Diocese YouTube channel.

Good Friday collection

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary works of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from the Good Friday collection. The collection is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Please also pray that peace and harmony will become a reality in the birthplace of Jesus, the "Prince of Peace". Donation envelopes will be on the pews and can be placed on the collection plate.



Please pray for our RCIA candidates

This Easter Vigil, we joyfully welcome 11 candidates Karla Close, Elise Dart, Theodore Holmes, Tobias Holmes, David Hammond, Jeeranan Lachee, Jayden Perrett, Lauren Pfisher, Dakota Rolfe, Lauren Morris and Kate Sketchley, who will be baptised and confirmed, beginning their new life in Christ and fully joining our faith community.

As they take these profound and beautiful steps, let us accompany them with our prayers, encouragement, and love.

May the Holy Spirit strengthen their hearts, deepen their faith, and fill them with the peace and joy that come from walking with Christ.

Let us hold them close in prayer during these final days of preparation and rejoice with them as they enter into the fullness of the Christian life.

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|  | <p>Interest Rate—3.65% (eff 1/4/2026) For further information and our current interest rate, please visit our website www.dif.org.au or contact us on 1800 802 516</p> |
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St Augustine's Church Liturgy Roster for EASTER TRIDUUM

| | 6.30pm Holy Thurs Thursday 02 April | 9am Good Friday 03 April Stations of the Cross | 3pm Good Friday Friday 03 April | 6.30pm Vigil Saturday 04 April | 8am Easter Sunday Sunday 05 April | 10am Easter Sunday Sunday 05 April |
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| Mass Coordinator | Gary McCann | | Gary McCann | Gary McCann | C. Hancock | C. Hancock |
| Commentator | R. Durham | | R. Durham | R. Durham | Brian Holmes | March Rugg |
| Reader 1 | Elena Holmes | | Marcy Rugg | P. Davies | Rose Mott | Jerome Fernandez |
| Reader 2 | Marcy Rugg | | Lourdes B. | N. Dick | Esther George | Lourdes B. |
| Reader 3 | | | | Elena Holmes | | |
| Reader 4 (Epistle) | | | | Carmela Balais | | |
| Gospel - Narrator | | | Brian Hackett | | | |
| Gospel - Crowd | | | Jerome Fernandez | | | |
| Extraordinary Min 1 | J. Plummer | | Elena Holmes | Peter Watts | Elena Holmes | Abie P |
| Extraordinary Min 2 | A. Pius | | N. Dick | Liz Watts | Vacant | Vacant |
| Extraordinary Min 3 | Vacant | | Vacant | Abie P | Vacant | |
| Screen Operator | K. Durham | | R. Mott | A. O'Brien | John F Sercombe | R. Durham |
| Altar Server 1 | Jeffry Joshy | Albert Watkins | Vacant | Albert Watkins | Vacant | Michael P |
| Altar Server 2 | | Vacant | Vacant | Jeffry Joshy | Jeffry Joshy | Nathaniel P |
| Altar Server 3 | | | | | | Hezekiah P |
| Altar Server 4 | | | | | | Omoruyi P |

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 0407934088



Church Morning Tea - New Venue

From Sunday 19 April, Morning Tea after the 9am Mass will be held in the Curran Centre (instead of outside the church).

This welcoming space allows us to move around more freely, stand and chat, and enjoy fellowship together. With the fenced area, children can play more safely while parents relax and connect. Access to the kitchen will also help us reduce costs and minimise paper waste, especially disposable cups.

We look forward to sharing this more comfortable and community-friendly gathering with you all.

THIS WEEK AT THE CURRAN CENTRE

TUESDAY - Playgroup 9am -11am

WEDNESDAY RCIA 6pm Meet at St Augustine's Church for rehearsal.

SUNDAY - Children's Liturgy during 9am Mass