



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

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

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

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

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YOU ARE INVITED TO

TEA IN THE GARDEN

Join us for Morning Tea
in the Curran Centre garden

AFTER 9AM SUNDAY MASS FROM 19 APRIL

From **Sunday 19 April**, Morning Tea after the 9am Mass moves to the Curran Centre. More space, safe play for kids and a place to grow in fellowship as one parish family. Be nourished in spirit, stay for the community and yes - cake



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Mass Readings

Entrance Antiphon Like newborn infants you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 2:42-47

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone. The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed. They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

Responsorial Psalm - Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

Communion Antiphon Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Church Morning Tea - New Venue** - From next 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.
- Please note the **Parish office** will open at 11am on Monday 13 April.
- **Parish Social Luncheon** - Join us at 12noon Wednesday 15 April at the Curran Centre for our school holidays luncheon. Children and families most welcome. Please bring a savoury plate of food to share for lunch.
- Volunteers needed to help clean St Augustine's Church at 2:30pm Tuesday 21 April (**3rd Tuesday of month**)
- In preparation for **ANZAC day**, we would like to show our respect for the veterans in our parish community. Veterans are invited to contact the parish office on 66510000 or parish@coffscatholic.com, as we would like to pray for them and with them during Mass on Anzac day.
- **Lost Property** - we have a number of plastic containers and other items that we do not know the owner. If you are missing any belongings, please see the Lost Property at the back table of St Augustine's Church this weekend. All items will be donated to charity if not collected this weekend.
- **Pentecost choir** - If any cultural group would like to sing a hymn in their own language during the Pentecost 9am Mass on Sunday 24 May, please contact Maria Woods at maria.woods@lism.catholic.edu.au

The Feast of Divine Mercy, a Call to Trust and Hope

The Feast of Divine Mercy, celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, draws our attention to the very heart of the Gospel: God's immeasurable love for humanity revealed through mercy. Flowing directly from the joy of the Resurrection, this feast reminds us that Christ lives—and continually pours out forgiveness, healing, and hope upon the world.

At the heart of the Feast of Divine Mercy is a simple yet powerful invitation: to trust in Jesus. This trust opens our hearts to receive the mercy God longs to give, especially in times of weakness, fear, and suffering. Jesus assured Saint Faustina that no soul should be afraid to turn to Him, for His mercy is greater than every sin and sorrow.

This message speaks directly to our world today, where violence and war—particularly in the Middle East—continue to bring deep pain, loss, and uncertainty to countless lives. In the face of such suffering, Divine Mercy reminds us that God's love has not abandoned humanity and that hope is never extinguished. As we receive God's mercy, we are also called to share it—through compassion, forgiveness, and prayer for peace. The Feast of Divine Mercy invites us to place the suffering of the world into the merciful Heart of Jesus, trusting that His love can heal wounds, soften hearts, and bring light even into the darkest places. With faith and hope, we pray: "Jesus, I trust in You."



St Augustine's Church Liturgy Roster	18 April	19 April	19 April
	Saturday 5.30pm Vigil	Sunday 9am	Sunday 5.30pm
Co-ordinator	G. McCann & D. Barrett	C. Hancock	G. McCann
Commentator	P. Breen	B. Holmes	T. Baker
Reader 1	J. Fernandez	H. Alappatt	J. Somers
Reader 2	R. Sercombe	O. Pius-Usiobaifo	K. Soo
Extraordinary Minister	O. Higgins	L Jenkins/L Feltrin/M Lill	B. Hackett
Screen Operator	M. Rugg	A. O'Brien	A. Singleton
Gifts	Vacant	R. Mott	Vacant
Altar Servers		Mikael, Sui Lun, Monica, Angelene, Harriet, Jerone	
Morning Tea		ABIDE Women's Group	



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From the Parish administrator

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

In this joyful season of Easter, as we celebrate the victory of the Risen Lord and the grace of the Paschal Mystery, I give heartfelt thanks to God for the gift of our parish community. I am deeply grateful to all who serve so faithfully in the life of the Church: our committed parish staff, the many dedicated volunteers, our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers, sacristans, the choir and music ministry, our youth and adult groups, and the many leaders who guide and support our community. I also thank the Parish Finance Council and Parish Pastoral Council, our prayer groups, the English for Hope ministry, and the Sunday Morning Tea group. Your generous service is a true expression of faith working through love and builds up the Body of Christ.

In a special way, I thank those whose quiet and often unseen service sustains our worship and community life: those who clean and care for our churches, prepare and decorate our sacred spaces, tend to the altar linen and sacred vessels, arrange our Christmas and Easter displays, serve as guardians, and all who give of themselves in hidden ways. Through these acts of devotion, the dignity and reverence of the sacred liturgy are beautifully upheld. I also wish to thank all our parishioners and everyone who supports the parish through prayer, presence, and acts of charity. In your faithful participation in the Eucharist and in the life of the Church, the Risen Christ continues to be made present among us. May the Lord who is risen deepen our faith, strengthen our hope, and unite us ever more in His love. With gratitude and Easter blessings, Fr Joe DSouza



Congratulations to our RCIA candidates who were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil



Community LUNCHEON



Wednesday @ 12 pm 15th April 2026

Please bring a plate of savoury food to share.

Thank you



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For more information please call Parish Office 6651 0000

Please pray for

Recently deceased: Lesley Bullivant, David Lloyd, Nigel Golding, Greg Slaats, Mike Manalang, Robert Morrison, Joseph Gordon Bradshaw, Sr Fran Kuhn RSM, Richard Barber, Myra Zacher, Jean Pemberton,
Anniversary: Ersilia Maria Da Costa, Rodrigo Balane
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

EUCHARISTIC 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

THIS WEEK AT THE CURRAN CENTRE

Parish groups are having a break over the school holidays.

SUNDAY

Children's Liturgy during 9am Mass