

PARISH OFFICE

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MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday - 9am Coffs Harbour

*Masses cancelled Tuesday to Friday
as our Priests are away at Clergy retreat*

Saturday -9am Coffs Harbour

Pentecost Sunday
Saturday Vigil

5:30pm Coffs Harbour

Sunday

9am Coffs Harbour

9am Woolgoolga

11am Coramba

5:30pm Coffs Harbour

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

Located at the Curran Centre.

No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this week, as our Priests are away on Retreat. Our Chapel will be open for silent prayer during office hours M-F 8:30am-3:30pm

Guardians are needed to fill future vacant hours: Tues 9am, 11am, 3pm

For details please contact Maurice
0407934088 or Doreena 0481764164.

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturdays, Coffs Harbour

After 9 am Mass (9:30am-10:15am)
& before 5:30pm Mass (4:45pm-5:15pm)

Sundays, Woolgoolga
before 9am Mass (8:30am-8:50am)

NEWS & EVENTS

Visit our parish website

www.coffscatholic.com

NOTICES

- **Clergy Retreat** - Mon 13 – Fri 17 May. Our Priests are away this week. Weekday Masses are cancelled on Tues, Wed, Thurs & Friday.
- Next Sunday 9am Mass will be our annual **Pentecost Multicultural celebration** at St Augustine's Church followed by a multicultural brunch at the Curran Centre. Feel free to dress in traditional clothes from your country of origin and bring a plate of cultural delicacies to share. **Do you enjoy photography?** We are looking for volunteers interested in taking photos at our parish events. Please contact the office.
- **Ad hoc (Parish Pastoral Advisory Group)** - is being established to assist with the pastoral planning of the parish. If you would like to express an interest in being part of this new group please kindly contact the parish office. There is limited availability.
- Over 80 parishioners & friends enjoyed our **Parish BBQ** last Saturday. We are grateful to the organisers and all those who participated. We look forward to our next Parish BBQ picnic gathering in October.
- **Playgroup** 9am Tue 14 May, Curran Centre.
- **Women's Bible Sharing** 7pm Tues 14 May, Curran Centre. Study: Theology of the Body.
- **Parish Social Luncheon** 12noon Wednesday 15 June at the Curran Centre.
- **Men's prayer group** - 7:30pm Wed 15 May, Curran Centre.
- **Woolgoolga Sunday Mass Time** will continue at 9am until further notice. There will be no Mass time change on Sunday 19 May, as mentioned in a previous bulletin.
- **Reminder** Please collect your Liturgy Roster.



Welcome
St Augustine's
Catholic Parish

Clergy Retreat 13-17 May. Masses cancelled **Tuesday to Friday** this week. Our Chapel will be open for silent prayer (*no exposition of Blessed Sacrament*).

MASS RESPONSES & READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Men of galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

READING 1

Acts 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.' Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.' As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R): God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord

READING 2

Ephesians 4:1-13

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, over all, through all and within all. Each one of us, however, has been given his own share of grace, given as Christ allotted it. It was said that he would: *When he ascended to the height, he captured prisoners,*

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The Ascension of the Lord, Sunday 12 May 2024

Parish Church

St Augustine's, Gordon St, Coffs Harbour

Station Churches

St Francis Xavier, Scarborough St, Woolgoolga

St Therese, Gale St, Coramba

he gave gifts to men. When it says, 'he ascended', what can it mean if not that he descended right down to the lower regions of the earth? The one who rose higher than all the heavens to fill all things is none other than the one who descended. And to some, his gift was that they should be apostles; to some, prophets; to some, evangelists; to some, pastors and teachers; so that the saints together make a unity in the work of service, building up the body of Christ. In this way we are all to come to unity in our faith and in our knowledge of the Son of God, until we become the perfect Man, fully mature with the fullness of Christ himself.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 16:15-20

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them: 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised will be saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.' And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia


PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently deceased: Pio Fundnera, Barbara Oak, Bernard Higoe, Phil Dogan, Diriyana Nahimana, Margaret Quinn, Peter Dormer, Lilia Alitao, Selina Basinang, George Woods

Anniversary: Mary-Ann Jones, Tarcisio Borsato

Sick: Brian Little, John Mungie, Leno Saliba, Maureen Mobbs (nee Nolan), Steve Mcdonald, Judy Brooks

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DEVOTIONS IN THE CHURCH
St Augustine's Church
Rosary 2:30pm Wednesdays
Divine Mercy after 9:15am Friday Mass,
Rosary after 9am Saturday Mass
Rosary 8:30am Sunday
 5pm Sunday

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You're Invited
PARISH COMMUNITY LUNCHEON
 Bring a plate to share, or just your company is enough. All welcome. Refreshments supplied.
Wednesday 15th of May 12.00pm
Curran Centre, 12 Gordon Street



Bishop Greg Homeming, Fr Joy D'Souza and young adults from across the Diocese at their recent Retreat.



St. Augustine's Catholic Parish
 Coffs Harbour



PENTECOST CELEBRATION
MULTICULTURAL MASS
9am Mass, Sunday 19 May

ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH
Dress in traditional clothes from your country of origin.



Join us for a multicultural brunch and entertainment at the Curran Centre after Mass. Feel free to bring a plate of cultural delicacies to share.

SAFEGUARDING The Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contacted if you have any Safeguarding concerns. Phone: **(02) 6621 9444** or email: safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au

COFFS ROSTER	18 May - Sat 5:30pm	19 May - Sun 9am	19 May - Sun 5:30pm
Co-ordinator	G. McCann & D. Barrett	M. Lill	G. McCann
Commentator	S. Sercombe	E. Holmes	R. Durham
Reader 1	P. Davies	M. Miller	B. Hackett
Reader 2	J. Fernandez	M. Rugg	T. Burrige
Extraordinary Minister	J. Plummer	L. Jenkins & S. Cing	M. Carniato
Screen Operator	E. Bowers	A. O'Brien	G. Sroyphet
Gifts	W. & L. Murphy	M & D Avellino	Vacant
Altar Servers		Peter, Jeffery, Mary, Michael, Angela	
Children's Liturgy		<i>No Children's Liturgy due to</i>	
Morning Tea		<i>Morning Tea at Curran Centre</i>	