Please remember in your prayers

Recently deceased: Paul Duane, Grant Conroy, Ronald "Ron" Zacher, Guillaume Nkurunziza, Dimasalang Rivera, Colleen Cross, Rodrigo Balane, Tony Lennon, Emma Luke, Robert Steel

Anniversary: Barbara Collett, Sidney Smith, Delores Simpson, Neville Wilkinson

Sick: Dianne Bultitude, Philip Hartmann, Mary Hayward, Barbara Davis, Joel Wilkinson, Eric Sibomana, Francine Hunter, Lino Saliba, Gregory Shield, Lee Ming Tin, Mary Davis, Myra Zacher, Jesi Hammond, Les Erskine, Kim Beckhouse, Maria Moran, Mary Lucock, Paul Cutmore, John Thomas Mann, Kenneth Harris, Sandy Cross, Natalie Nicholas, Max Paul, Leone Brown, Ned O'Brien, Hillary Goldman, Danial Chisholm, Eileen Ford, Isabella Mauri, Michael Fenton, Peter Kinnear, Darcy Hetherton, Jan O'Brien, John McCain, Gregory Shield, Georgio Franco, Judy Brooks, Val Browning

Baptisms: Magen Ellery, Hildegarde De-La-Torre, Charlotte Davis

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Our Lady of Mercy Chapel

Located at the Curran Centre
(ramp access available via Parish Office)

Opening hours this week:
8:30am - 4pm Monday to Friday

GUARDIANS NEEDED: Vacant hours
Tuesday 9am, 11am, 3pm,
Wednesday 12noon, Thursday 12noon
Anyone who can help with any vacant hours on either a temporary or permanent basis, please contact Doreena 0481 764 164 or Maurice 0407 934 088

St. John Vianney (1786 to 1859)

"Have a Holy Hour every week. Start praying. Pray for guidance and trust in God."

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Mass Times

Monday 5 June	9am	St Augustine's, Coffs Harbour
Tuesday 6 June	7:30am	St Augustine's, Coffs Harbour
Wednesday 7 June	7:30am	St Augustine's, Coffs Harbour
	9:30am	St Francis Xavier, Woolgoolga
Thursday 8 June	5:30pm	St Augustine's, Coffs Harbour
Friday 9 June	9:15am	St Augustine's, Coffs Harbour
Saturday 10 June	9am	St Augustine's, Coffs Harbour
Vigil Saturday 10 June	5:30pm	St Augustine's, Coffs Harbour
Sunday 11 June	9am	St Augustine's, Coffs Harbour
The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	5:30pm	St Augustine's, Coffs Harbour
	9am	St Francis Xavier, Woolgoolga
	11am	St Therese's, Coramba

CORAMBA MASS TIME CHANGE

Please note the Mass time at Coramba now starts at 11am.

Confession Times

SATURDAYS, St Augustine's Church, Coffs Harbour
after 9am Mass (9:30am—10:30am)
& before 5:30pm Mass (4:45pm - 5:15pm)

SUNDAYS, St Francis Xavier Church, Woolgoolga
before 9am Mass *(8:30am - 8:50am)*

Confessions also available at any time by appointment call 6651 0000

PLAYGROUP

9am Tuesdays *(during school Terms)* at the Curran Centre

Rosary groups

2pm Wednesdays at St Augustine's Church
After 9am Saturday morning Mass at St Augustine's Church

Men's Prayer group

The parish Men's Prayer Group meet on ***Wednesday evenings*** at the Curran Centre. Please contact parish office for details.

Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday during the 9am Mass. Children's Liturgy runs during the school term for ***primary school age children.***
For safety reasons, preschool age children who wish to join in need to be supervised by an adult.

UPCOMING YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT EVENTS IN OUR PARISH

Breakthrough Youth - for teenagers

Meets fortnightly on Friday afternoons at the Youth Hub *(under the Chapel at the Curran Centre).*
Next meeting: 4pm Friday 16 June

SAVE THE DATE: Young Adult Retreat — 29-31 October

For more information please contact Amber: ascanes@coffscatholic.com

Happy snaps from our Young Adult Bowling Night last week

Extraordinary Ministers of our Parish

Please note that the Extraordinary Minister term lasts for three years. We are thrilled to announce a refresher course for our Extraordinary Ministers, ensuring their continued assistance during Mass, to our homebound and unwell parishioners' faith journey. Following this, we will reinstate them, maintaining continuity and fostering their invaluable contributions. The Refresher Course will commence at:

4:30pm Wednesday 14 June at St Augustine's Church

Diocese of Lismore

BISHOP of LISMORE — GREGORY HOMEMING OCD —

Safeguarding Office

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Diocese of Lismore, we ask you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss options you have available to you. Contact Safeguarding Office on 66219444 or safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au

Diocesan Investment Fund

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St Vincent de Paul WINTER APPEAL

The Vinnies WINTER APPEAL is on NEXT WEEKEND, 10/11 June. If you can help, please **either** donate to the 'bucket collection' for cash donations at Mass; **or** donate via the secure EFTPOS card reader; **or** put money or a cheque in an envelope and leave it at the Parish Office. If you want more details on the work St Vincent de Paul does in the local area, please read the 'Letter to Parishioners' on the website. Some copies are available at the back of the Church.

2023/24 Planned Giving Envelopes

The new Planned Giving envelopes for 2023/24 financial year are now available at the back table of all Churches. *Thank you for your support of Planned Giving in our parish.*

St Augustine's Church Roster

	Jun-10	Jun-11	Jun-12
	Sat 5.30pm Vigil	**Sun 9am**	**Sun 5.30pm**
Co-ordinator	G. McCann & D. Barrett	G. Luchetti & M. Lill	B. Van Ryswyk
Commentator	P. Davies	P. Griffin	L. Walsh
Reader 1	E. Hartley	J. Joseph	T. Baker
Reader 2	R. Sercombe	M. Lill	M. Carniato
Extraordinary Minister	O. Higgins	E. Holmes & A. Maung	B. Van Ryswyk
Screen Operator	J. Sercombe	M. Miller	R. Durham
Gifts	D. Jackson & N. Jarrett	P. Gatenby	S. Garvey
Altar Servers		Leyna, Peter, Mung Pi, Monica	
Morning Tea		CMCC	
Home Communion		B Van Ryswyk, A Pius-Usiobaifo, A Robertson	

NEW Liturgy Roster for St Augustine's Church

The new Liturgy Roster started last weekend. ***Have you collected yours?*** Available for collection from the back table of Church.

BIBLE READINGS & MASS RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

READING 1 Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'The Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Dan 3: 52-56. R. v. 52

RESPONSE: Glory and praise forever.

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. R.
Blest your glorious holy name. R.
You are blest in the temple of your glory. R.
You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. R.
You are blest who gaze into the depths. R.
You are blest in the firmament of heaven. R.

READING 2 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.
Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings.
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! .Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 3: 16-18

Jesus said to Nicodemus:
'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost
but may have eternal life.
For God sent his Son into the world
not to condemn the world,
but so that through him the world might be saved.
No one who believes in him will be condemned;
but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already,
because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

PARISH EVENTS

Confirmation Classes - Monday 4pm

Baptised children, *who do not attend a Catholic primary school,* are invited to join our parish Confirmation program. Candidates (with a parent) please meet Fr Peter Rebello at ***4pm Monday 5 June*** at St Augustine's Church.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

A new group is being formed to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 9:15am Friday morning Mass at St Augustine's Church. Please share the invitation with anyone you know who maybe interested in learning these prayers and getting the benefits of praying for Divine Mercy together as a parish group.

Choir Practice

The next Choir practice will be held at **5:30pm on Tuesday 13 June 2023** at St Augustine's Church *(every 2nd Tuesday of every month).*

SAVE THE DATE - Parish Social Club Lunch

You are warmly invited to the launch of our new Parish Social Club. Enjoy lunch with fellow parishioners at 12noon on ***Wednesday 21 June*** at the Curran Centre.

NAPCAN PREVENT CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT

To thrive, every one of us needs connection, belonging and safety, particularly when we are young and our growing brains are setting up the foundations for future life. However, the sobering results of the Australian Child Maltreatment Study show that approximately 6 out of 10 Australians have experienced maltreatment as a child and at least half of these are experiencing ongoing mental health challenges as a result. This new evidence is a wake-up call for transformational change, where we collectively recognise that:

1. **Child abuse impacts the whole community and needs to be seen as a national priority**
2. **Together we can (and must) prevent child abuse**

As the National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse & Neglect, NAPCAN knows that when we invest in children and families we can create safer, healthier communities now and into the future. Some key dates and upcoming events are:

National Child Protection Forum in Brisbane 20-23 June
Find out more at www.childprotectionforum.co.

READINGS THIS WEEK

Mon 5 June: Tobit 1:3; 2:1-8, Ps 111:1-6, Mk 12:1-12
Tues 6 June: Tobit 2:9-14, Ps 111:21-2, 7-9, Mk 12:13-17
Wed 7 June: Tobit 3:1-11, 16-17, Ps 24:2-9, Mk 12:18-27
Thurs 8 June: Tobit 6:10-11; 7:1, 9-14; 8:4-9, Ps 127:1-5, Mk12:28-34
Friday 9 June: Tobit 11:5-17, Ps 145:2, 7-10, Mk 12:35-37
Sat 10 June: Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20, Tobit 13:2, 6-8, Mk 12:38-44
Sun 11 June (Corpus Christi): Deut 8:2-3, 14-16, Ps 147:12-15, 19 -20, 1 Cor 10-16-17, Jn 6:51-58

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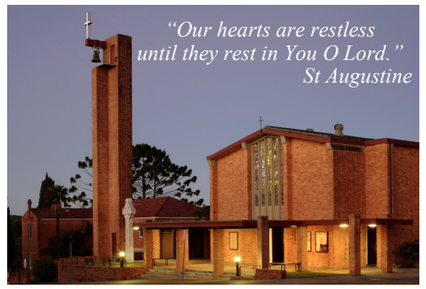

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A warm *welcome* to visitors and parishioners (who are new or returning) to our church. If you would like to receive our Church bulletin via email on Friday afternoons please email: parish@coffscatholic.com

Digital Donations to our parish

For those parishioners wishing to make donations to the First or Second Collections or for other Special Purpose Donations, using your mobile phones, you can now do so using this QR Code displayed at the entrance to the Church.

Welcome

4 June 2023 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Trinity: A Mystery to Encounter

Last Sunday we celebrated the Feast of the Third person of the Trinity. Today we celebrate the Most Holy Trinity together. The Mother Church rejoices to and honours the Most Holy Persons: the Father, Son and Holy Spirit who are the Creator, Redeemer and Inspirer. Our faith is that God is somehow, mysteriously, "Trinitarian" or "triune" in nature. A mystery does not mean we should not understand. A mystery should not mean that he cannot be understood at all.

Saint Catherine of Siena once remarked that for the Christian to ask the question 'Where is God?' is like a fish to ask the question 'Where is water?' Today, as we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, let us take an opportunity to think about who God truly is and what we understand him to be. Quite often the two do not exactly correspond: what God is truly like and what we think he is like are not always the same. On this Trinity Sunday, let us draw out three life-changing truths from our faith in God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

First, as Saint Catherine reminded us, we are inside the mystery of God, not outside. We may not think of it this way, but this changes everything because it means that we no longer have to look 'up there' or 'out there' for God as if He is a million miles away. Rather we are within the circle of His life, and God has opened it, to gather us into it. With the coming of Jesus into the world, God has opened himself up and inserted us into the space between the Father and the Son where the Spirit of love flows constantly.

Second, if we are made in the image and likeness of God then the more we become like God the more we become ourselves. God is revealed as 'a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness'. It follows then that if this is God's true nature then it is our true nature as well. When we are tender, compassionate, patient, rich and kind, we become who we truly are and who we are called to be, our best.

Third, the Trinity is a mystery that we are to experience with our hearts not with our heads. It is not a puzzle or a riddle that we are expected to answer or solve. When we use the word 'mystery' to talk about and describe the Trinity, we are talking about a reality that is so endlessly rich and profound that it will never be exhausted. The more we contemplate and pray about the reality and presence of the Trinity in our lives, the more of itself will be revealed to us. Through the Trinity, God creates and loves us, Jesus liberates and saves us and the Spirit encourages and strengthens us. The Trinity is a community of love and life that we are invited to be part of and to share in.

When we look at the news on our televisions or read the newspapers any day, we are often presented with news of violence, segregation and building walls. There is the reality of individuals and indeed some countries speaking about and defending their rights at the expense of dialogue and cooperation with other nations. People of different religions in the same country often not only disagree with each other; they are actively fighting against each other. Sadly, there is division where they could be unity, there is aggression where there could be understanding, and there is suspicion where there could be trust and mutual respect. The Trinity offers us a model of sharing, belonging and community. It also challenges our individualism and our demand that our rights be met all the time. The Trinity asks to be mindful of our responsibilities to those around us in our families, our neighbourhood and our parish community.

In the Christian tradition, when we begin our prayers, whether as individuals or a community, we do so by making the sign of the cross and calling on the power and presence of the Trinity. When we pray glory be…, we do the same. We deliberately and consciously ask the Trinity to be part of prayer and our daily life. Perhaps on the Feast of the Trinity we could say these prayers slower and let their meaning become part of us in a more intimate and personal way.

Source: Springs of Living Water Carmelite Reflections.