



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A - Sunday 18 October 2026

St Augustine's Catholic Parish

Coffs Harbour

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



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 - Assistant Priest

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



WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Tuesday - 9am Coffs Harbour
Wednesday - 9:30am Woolgoolga
Thursday - 9am Coffs Harbour
Friday - 9:15am Coffs Harbour



CONFESSION TIMES

Fridays after Mass
Coffs Harbour 9:45am-10:15am

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

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Welcome to Our New Youth Coordinator!

We are delighted to welcome Luke, our new Youth Coordinator, to the St. Augustine's Parish community. We look forward to the many ways his valuable experience and enthusiasm will be God's blessing to our young people and the entire parish.

We also extend a heartfelt welcome to his lovely wife, Tammy, and their two daughters. We hope they will experience the warmth and friendliness of our parish family and find friendship, joy, and a true sense of belonging among us.

Luke shares a little about himself and his journey in youth ministry:



Hello! My name is Luke.

Originally, I come from Texas, USA. However, I've found myself living in the Northern Territory for the past five years with my lovely wife, Tammy, and our two daughters.

Youth ministry is something I've grown up with and has been an integral part of my life as an adult. I served with NET Ministries (National Evangelisation Teams) on three different continents and, for the last several years, worked for the Diocese of Darwin as a Youth Minister.

I am so excited to be here with you all at St. Augustine's, where my family and I have already been welcomed so warmly.

I look forward to getting to know the community more and meeting all the amazing individuals who make it what it is!

YOUTH GROUP

COME & BE A PART OF SOMETHING GREAT

ST AUGUSTINE'S YR7-12 YOUTH GROUP
TERM 4 STARTS FRIDAY OCT 23RD
5-7PM IN THE CURRAN CENTRE

SAFEGUARDING IN THE DIOCESE

The Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contacted if you have any Safeguarding concerns. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support, and discuss all options available. Contact the Safeguarding Office:
Phone: (02) 6621 9444 or safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.





THIS WEEKEND IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

"One in Christ, United in Mission"

World Mission Sunday is a special opportunity for us to remember that we belong to a global family of faith. United in Christ, we are called to share His love, hope, and compassion with people everywhere, especially those most in need. Through our prayers and financial support, we stand alongside missionaries who bring the Gospel, provide pastoral care, and help build stronger communities throughout the world. Together, we can make a difference by sharing in the Church's mission and witnessing to God's love for all people.

This year's theme, "One in Christ, United in Mission," reminds us that although we come from different cultures and backgrounds, we are one family in Christ, called to work together in bringing the Good News to the world.

If you would like to donate, envelopes are on the pews and can be placed in the collection bags at Mass or at the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity

Mass Readings

Entrance Antiphon - To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

First Reading

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.

Responsorial Psalm - Give the Lord glory and honour.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

Gospel

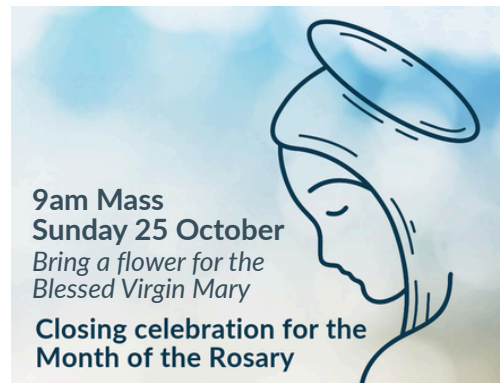
Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he replied, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's,' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God.'

Communion Antiphon Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A reminder to please pray for the **Kairos Prison Ministry** this week.
- **Next Sunday 25 October at the 9am Mass**, we will celebrate the **closing of the Month of the Rosary**. As a special expression of our love and gratitude to Our Blessed Mother, we invite all children, especially those involved in Children's Liturgy, to bring a flower to the altar during the entrance procession. Together, we will honour Mary and thank her for her loving care, guidance, and prayers for us throughout the year. *If you are able, to bring some flowers for the children's entrance procession please place it in the baskets at the back of Church before Mass starts.*
- For safety reasons the upstairs loft is closed until further notice.
- Our annual **Volunteer Thanksgiving** celebration will be held on Thursday 29 October commencing with a Thanksgiving Mass at 5:30pm at St Augustine's Church and followed by Dinner at the Curran Centre. Please RSVP to the sheet at the back of Church or by calling the Parish Office.
- The monthly **cleaning** of St Augustine's Church is on at 2:30pm this Tuesday 20 October.
- Our **Parish Community Luncheon** is on at 12noon this Wednesday 21 October at the Curran Centre. All welcome and extend the invitation to your family and friends. Please bring a plate of food to share for lunch.
- Paul Hunt is celebrating 40 Years as an Acolyte next weekend. All welcome to a special Morning Tea for him after the 8:30am Mass next Saturday 24 October at St Francis Xavier Church at Woolgoolga.
- Weekday **Confessions** are now held on Fridays after the morning Mass.
- **Youth Group** is back this Friday 23 October at 5pm at the Curran Centre.
- The Lismore Diocese is hosting a number of **Young Adult** events. Please see Noticeboard for details.
- St Francis Xavier Church, Woolgoolga is open Monday 5:30pm - 6:30pm for personal prayer.
- The **Diocesan Art Competition** exhibition will be held at 2:30pm on Saturday 31 October 2026 at Crowley Care, 154 Cherry St, Ballina.



Acts

The Spread of the Kingdom
JEFF CAVINS

SESSIONS 1 - 10
The Church ASCENSION

ABIDE WOMEN'S GROUP warmly welcomes you as we begin a Bible Study on the Acts of the Apostles.. "Come and understand *The Spread of the Kingdom of God and your place in this Mission*"

7pm Tuesday 20 October at the Curran Centre Boardroom

St Augustine's Church Roster	24 October	25 October	25 October
	Saturday 5.30pm Vigil	Sunday 9am	Sunday 5.30pm
Co-ordinator	G. McCann & D. Barrett	C. Hancock	G. McCann
Commentator	S. Sercombe	L. Buquiron	Vacant
Reader 1	P. Davies	N Loader	P. Gutierrez
Reader 2	P. Davies	M. Rugg	P. Rejitha
Extraordinary Minister	J. Plummer	E. Homes/L Watts/ A.Pius-Usiobaifo	M. Surman
Screen Operator	J. Fernandez	L. Alippatt	Van Van
Gifts	Vacant	R. Antiquina	Alappat family
Altar Servers		St Augustine's Heart	
Morning Tea		CMCC	
Children's Liturgy		M. Miller	
Sacristan	A. Balais	V, Cauan	Van Van



Interest Rate - 4.15% (effective 1/8/2026).
Please note we are no longer able to receive cash deposits at the Parish Office.
 For further information and our current interest rate, please visit our website
www.dif.org.au or contact us on 1800 802 516



VOLUNTEERS THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION



Thursday 29th
October 2026



5.30pm Mass at
St Augustine's Church



Followed by Dinner
in the Curran Centre.

Please join us as we come together to celebrate and give thanks for you
- our wonderful volunteers and to acknowledge your generosity,
dedication & faithful service.



RSVP call 66510000 by 22nd October

Please pray for

Recently deceased: Elizabeth McCloud, Teresita Vizcayno, Egidio Ponticello, Gwenda O'Gorman, Tony Emmi, Dolcesemo Bairoy, Lisa Shipman
Sick: Annette Garrett, Sandra Graham, Barbara Kacki, Judy Brooks

Devotions St Augustine's Church

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

Rosary - 8:35am (before Mass)
Tuesday, Thursday, Fridays &
Sundays (excluding 1st Sunday of month).

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

Divine Mercy - after Friday morning Mass

THIS WEEK AT THE CURRAN CENTRE

Monday 19 October -
Sunday 25 October

TUESDAY - Playgroup - 9am -11am
ABIDE Women's Group - 7pm. Join us for the start of our new study on The Acts of the Apostles.

WEDNESDAY Parish Lunch 12noon
RCIA - 6pm, **Men's Group** - 7:30pm

FRIDAY - Youth Group 5pm

SATURDAY

English for Hope - 6:45pm

SUNDAY Children's Liturgy (during 9am Mass for Primary age children)

Morning Tea after 9am Mass at Curran Centre garden

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 0407 934 088 or Ken 0439 390 191






Join us for the COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

12 NOON
Wednesday 21st Oct

Bring along a plate of savoury food
to share & enjoy the company

All Welcome!



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