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## NEWS & EVENTS

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## NOTICES

**Parish Social Lunch** - there will be no luncheon this week. Next parish luncheon will be 12noon Wednesday 19 February.



### Welcome Christa

This week we warmly welcome Christa Morrow who is commencing in the role of parish Youth Coordinator.

*"I'm a K-12 Teacher with a passion for Youth Ministry and leading young people to Jesus in the Eucharist. I grew up in Port Macquarie and after 2 years of Ministry in Port I moved up to University in Lismore. I have spent the last 3 years teaching and I am now so excited to take this next leap of faith committed to where God has called me to serve, in the Coffs Harbour Parish community". Christa*

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Recently deceased:** Jesus Oliva, Sylvia Fernandez, Teresa Dal Bon, Patrick Fox, Noreen Secomb  
**Sick:** Diane Benefield, Rex Dignan, Maureen Mobbs (nee Nolan), Judy Brooks

### DEVOTIONS IN THE CHURCH

#### **St Augustine's Church, Coffs Harbour**

**Rosary & Novena for Our Lady of**

**Perpetual Help** 2:30pm Wednesdays

**Rosary** - after 9am Thursday Mass

**Divine Mercy** - after 9:15am Friday Mass

**Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:**

8:30am on 1st Sunday of month

**Rosary** 8:30am Sunday (excluding 1st Sunday of month)

**St Francis Xavier Church, Woolgoolga**

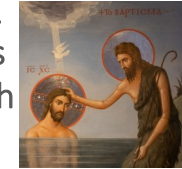
**Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:**

8am on 3rd Saturday of month

The Baptism of the Lord Year C, Sunday 12 January 2025



Welcome  
St Augustine's  
Catholic Parish



### Parish Church

St Augustine's, Gordon St, Coffs Harbour

### Station Churches

St Francis Xavier, Scarborough St, Woolgoolga  
St Therese, Gale St, Coramba

## MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday 13 January to Sunday 19 January

**\*\*Reminder Monday Mass Cancelled\*\***

**Tuesday** - 9:30am Coffs Harbour

**Wednesday** - 9:30am Woolgoolga

**Thursday** - 9am Coffs Harbour

**Friday** - 9:15am Mass Coffs Harbour  
St Anthony

### 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Saturday

8:30am Woolgoolga

5:30pm Coffs Harbour

### Sunday

9am Coffs Harbour

5:30pm Coffs Harbour

## CONFESSION TIMES

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

### Saturdays

Woolgoolga 8am - 8:20am

Coffs Harbour 4:45pm - 5:15pm

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

Located at the Curran Centre.

Ramp access via the Parish Office

Open 8:30am-3:30pm Monday - Friday

Guardians are needed to fill vacant hours:

9am Tues, 1pm Wed, 1pm Fri

Anyone who can help as Guardian on either a temporary or permanent basis, please contact Maurice on 0407934088

## MASS RESPONSES & READINGS

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

### READING 1

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Console my people, console them' says your God.' Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes. 'A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low. Let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken. ' Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, 'Here is your God. 'Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (R): Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!**

### READING 2

Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus.

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He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good. But when the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** Luke 3:15-16,21-22  
 A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

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*Dear parishioners,*  
 As a valued member of our church community, I am writing to invite you to join us in a special initiative to help assist our priests and office staff in preparing our beloved church for liturgical and special events.  
 Our church is more than just a building; it is a sacred space where we gather to worship, find solace, and build a strong sense of community. To ensure that our church remains a welcoming and beautiful place for all and to visitors during this Jubilee Year of Pilgrimage, we are formalising a new volunteer program dedicated to assisting in the following areas.  
 We are seeking additional volunteers who can contribute their time and talents in various ways, such as.

- Sacristan: Before and after regular Masses
- On call Sacristans and screen operators for special Feast Days, Funerals & events
- Mass collections
- Preparing the church for weekday Masses including opening and closing of windows and turning on/off the Lights

- To lead praying the Rosary before Mass
- Church cleaners
- And many more...

Your participation would also strengthen the bonds within our community. Volunteering is a wonderful opportunity to serve God and our fellow parishioners, and it can be a deeply rewarding experience.

If you are interested in volunteering, please see Sign-Up Sheet at the back of St Augustine's Church, or contact Teresa Olid-Pryer at the Parish Office on 6651 0000 (Wednesday to Fridays) or via email [tolid@coffscatholic.com](mailto:tolid@coffscatholic.com). I will be happy to provide more information and discuss how you can get involved.

Thank you for considering this invitation. Your support and dedication are greatly appreciated, and we look forward to working together to keep our church a place of peace and inspiration.  
 May God bless you and your family.  
 Sincerely,  
 Teresa Olid-Pryer,  
 Parish Pastoral Associate

| COFFS ROSTER           | 18 Jan Sat 5:30pm      | 19 Jan Sun 9am                     | 19 Jan Sun 5:30pm |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Co-ordinator           | G. McCann & D. Barrett | M. Lill                            | G. McCann         |
| Commentator            | B. Bowers              | M. Rugg                            | C. Robertson      |
| Reader 1               | V. Soo                 | M. Miller                          | B. Hackett        |
| Reader 2               | J. Fernandez           | M. Beckett                         | L. Walsh          |
| Extraordinary Minister | J. Plummer             | D. Gooley & L. Jenkins             | T. Buridge        |
| Screen Operator        | G. Sroyphet            | A. O'Brien                         | R. Durham         |
| Gifts                  | W. & L. Murphy         | Soo Family                         | Vacant            |
| Altar Servers          |                        | Mikael, Sui Lun, Monica, Huai Huai |                   |
| Morning Tea            |                        | Abie, Kate, Clarisse               |                   |