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#### MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday 1 April to Sunday 6 April

Tuesday – 9:30am Coffs Harbour

Wednesday - 9:30am - Woolgoolga

Thursday - 9am Coffs Harbour

Friday - \*8:30am Stations of the Cross\*

9:15am - Coffs Harbour

#### 5th Sunday in Lent, Year C

#### Saturday

8:30am Woolgoolga 5:30pm Coffs Harbour

#### Sunday

9am Coffs Harbour 11am Coramba (1st Sunday of month) 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 Our Lady of Mercy Chapel Located at the Curran Centre. Ramp access via the Parish Office

#### OPENING HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 8:30am-3:30pm Vacant hours: 2pm Wednesday

For information Call Maurice 0407934088

#### **NEWS & EVENTS**

Visit our website **www.coffscatholic.com**THIS WEEK

**Easter Liturgy Sign Up Sheet** - Now available at the back of the church.

SFX School Prayer Labyrinth - Parishioners are invited to visit the St Francis Xavier School hall to walk the Prayer Labyrinth on Friday 11 April (pupil free day). Visit anytime 9am - 3pm.

**Altar Server Commissioning** 9am Sunday 6 April at St Augustine's Church.

Mass with Children's Choir - 5:30pm Sunday 6 April at St Augustine's Church. Last Children's Choir practice 3:30pm Friday 4 April St Augustine's Church.

Easter Triduum Mixed Choir Practice 5:30pm Tuesday 8 & Tuesday 15 April at St Augustine's Church. All are welcome.

#### **Jubilee Year of Hope**

Jubilee Prayer & Worship night
7pm Wed 2 April St Augustine's
Church. Join us to pray the
Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows led by
Women's Group. There will be no Ladies
Lenten Group Tues 2 April.

**Woolgoolga Vinnies shop** is looking for volunteers, particularly on a Monday.

# THIS WEEK AT THE CURRAN CENTRE TUESDAY - Playgroup 9am Tues 2 April THURSDAY

- Parish Lenten Group Meet Teresa in Boardroom 11am Thurs 3 April.
- Young Adults 5:30pm Thurs 3 April FRIDAY Youth Group 5-7pm Fri 4 April

#### **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)66219444 or safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au

4th Sunday of Lent, Year C, Sunday 30 March 2025



Parish Church

St Augustine's, Gordon St, Coffs Harbour **Station Churches** 

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

#### **MASS RESPONSES & READINGS**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

**READING 1** Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you. The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. READING 2 2 Corinthia

**READING 2**2 Corinthians 5:17-21
For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through

the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on this reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Praise and honour to you Lord Jesus. Praise and honour Lord Jesus Christ. I will rise and go to my father and tell him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. Praise and honour Lord Jesus Christ.

**GOSPEL** Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. 'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger!

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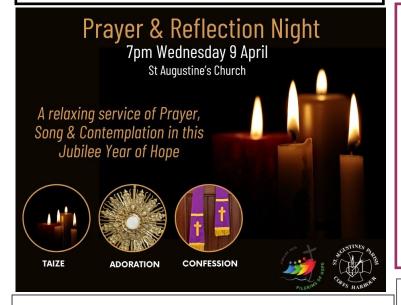
I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening." 'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."'

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.

We are delighted to welcome Fr. Sylvestre D'Souza, Provincial Superior of the Karnataka-Goa Province, for our Carmelite Community's Pastoral Visitation. This visit is a blessing for us, and we express our heartfelt gratitude. We assure Fr. Sylvestre of our prayers during his stay with us.



#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Recently deceased**: Silvia Nzabampa, Aubrey Hayes, Leona Espesito, Roisin "Rosie" Maitland, Nola Hough, Baleriana Bernal, Jose Bernal Jr, Eva Aposaga, Anne Murphy, Muriel Tiongco, Alex Zan Franco Tiongco

**Sick:** Geoff Quinn, Peter Blaney, John Mungie, Carmel Barrett, Rex Dignan, Rod Lucock, Maureen Mobbs, Judy Brooks

#### **Parish Lenten Group**

at the Boardroom, Curran Centre
ALL WELCOME THIS WEEK
11am Thursday 3 April

led by Teresa (our Pastoral Associate)

#### **EASTER TRIDUUM TIMES**

Holy Thursday - 17 April 5:30pm Mass, Coffs & Woolgoolga Good Friday - 18 April

Good Friday - 18 April 9am Stations of the Cross, Coffs & Woolgoolga

**3pm Liturgy**Coffs & Woolgoolga

Easter Vigil - Saturday 19 April 6:30pm Mass, Coffs

> Easter Sunday 20 April 9am Mass, Coffs

9am Mass, Woolgoolga, 11am Mass, Coramba

#### **DEVOTIONS IN THE CHURCH**

### St Augustine's Church Rosary & Novena for Our Lady of Perpetual Help

2:30pm Wednesdays
Rosary - after Thursday Mass
Divine Mercy - after Friday Mass
Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

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



Scan for digital donations to our parish

## PARISH YOUTH GROUP

for highschool students

5pm - 7pm Friday 4 April at Curran Centre Dinner provided



## **PROJECT**COMPASSION

This Lent, we are called to *Unite*Against Poverty through Caritas

Australia's Project Compassion.

Your generous support this Lenten

Season will enable Caritas Australia to provide life-changing support to vulnerable communities in need. Envelopes and boxes are at the back table of Church if you would like to donate.

UNITE

this Lent



COFFS ROSTER	5 April Sat 5:30pm	6 April Sun 9am	6 April Sun 5:30pm
Co-ordinator	G. McCann & D. Barrett	M. Lill	G. McCann
Commentator	B. Bowers	M. Rugg	L. Walsh
Reader 1	B. Holmes	M. Lill	S. Brennan
Reader 2	J. Fernandez	M. Woods	A. Holmes
Extraordinary Minister	N. Higgins	B. Cleaver & A. Pius-Usiobaifo	M. Carniato
Screen Operator	E. Bowers	Mott Family	K. Kachell
Gifts	D. Jackson & N. Jarrett	V. Elomina	Vacant
Altar Servers		Henry, See, Mung Pi, Cung	
Morning Tea		Filipino community	