

Entrance Antiphon:

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel

1st Reading:

Sirach 27:30 - 28:7

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

2nd Reading:

Romans 14:7-9

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Gospel:

Matthew 18:21-35

Response to Prayers of Faithful:

Lord, may we forgive from the heart.

Communion Antiphon:

The chalice of blessing that we bless is a communion in the Blood of Christ; and the bread that we break is a sharing in the Body of the Lord.



PLEASE PRAY FOR: Recently Deceased: Sr Anne Amen (USA), Norma Montgomery (Bris), Beulah Askew (Bris), Ron Cutcheon, David Sloane, Peter Duyndam, Mieke Fernie, Frank Murray.

ANNIVERSARIES/REMEMBRANCE: Paul Dempsey, Patrick Coughlan (UK), Jade South, Annie Fowler, Thea Van Schijndel, Tom Reading, John Esmond Doherty, John Summers, Leo Flynn, Betty Dolan, William & Eileen Brady, Fr Patrick Martin Brady, Maud Egan, John Thomas & Elizabeth May Taylor, Deceased relatives & friends of the Dolan, Brady & Taylor families.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Elsa Grasouskas, Gary Pollard, Mark Wills, Pete Tom Toni, Vincent Alvaro, Norene Anderson, Annette Antlitz, Ray Ashburn, Beris & Roger Bacon, Therese Baggaley, John Bayly, Kate Belliveau, Paul Brady, Betty Brannan, Vonnice Cabban, Vernon Cahill, Debbie Cameron, Bill Cavanagh, Sr Kath Carroll, Sarah Cavanagh, Irene Chambers, Jack Cole, Kathleen Curtis, Joan Dale, Pat Darcy, Neil & Edna Devlin, Deslie Dolan, Mary Donnelly, Ursula Dowling, Yvonne Eden, Albert Fawsitt, Doug Featherstone, Jackie Flanagan, Mila Florendo, Peter & Trish Flynn, Elijah Foster-McLachlan, Colin Fraser, Gonny Gemaerd, Ross Goss, Ray Green, Aileen Greensill, Vic Hindmarsh, Rebecca Hines, Fiona Irvine, Chloé James, John Kelly, Dulcie & Vince Kinnane, Lora Krauss, Marleise Kuhl, Josie Lyle, Mary McCarthy, Doris McCoy, Ruth McDonald, Susie McDonald, Kevin & Dorothy McGirr, Aaron McGlade, Richard McLachlan, Therese McNamara, Fr Craig Moody, Leo Mullins, Bradley Murphy, Damien Normile, Pat O'Brien, Shirley O'Byrne, Leona Orford, Trish Osborne, Julia Parker, Dennis Pollard, Deirdre Pullen, Pat Quinn, Vera Quinn, Paul Rixon, Peter Roche, Raymond Rowe, Rosa Santos, Kate Schooneman, Bernie Seto, Mary Slingsby, Marie Smith, Ellen Snell, Dorothy Tanzer, John Taylor, Rosie Thompson, Therese Townsend, Henriette Van Schijndel, Peter Waltho, Betty Weir, Hazel Whittle, Frank Whyte, Josie Willett, Barbara Wilson, Marcia Withers.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Sat 6.00pm Mass St Monica's.
Sun 6.45am Mass St Monica's.
Sun 8.00am Mass St Augustine's
Sun 9.30am Mass St Monica's

WEEKDAY DIARY

Tue 5.00pm Mass, St Monica's, Tugun
Wed 8.00am Mass, St Augustine's, Coolangatta
Wed 9.30am Mass, Galleon Gardens, Currumbin Waters
Thurs 9.00am Mass, St Monica's, Tugun
Fri 8.00am Mass, St Augustine's, Coolangatta
Sat 11.00am Reconciliation, Tugun

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9
2nd Reading: Philippians 1:20-24,27
Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16



Parish of St Augustine & St Monica Coolangatta - Tugun

We recognise the traditional owners of this land -
The Kombumberri people.
'Coolangatta' means place of 'Splendid Lookout'

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A 17th September 2017

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It is so easy to type-cast people. Once we learn one thing about a person, it is simpler to believe that this is all we need to know about them. Because they have acted in this way once, we conclude that they will always act this way. Unlike the God portrayed in the Book of Ecclesiasticus today, we *NEVER OVERLOOK THE OFFENCE*. Once a criminal, always a criminal.

It is not easy to adopt a forgiving attitude. It requires a loving heart and a willingness to admit in honesty that we too, are sinners. Forgiveness is the power that brings people together, because it frees us to admit our common bond as broken people in need of healing. The unforgiving person is one who pretends they are not capable of the 'sin' they are not willing to forgive.

Forgiveness is, above all, the meeting of people at the 'heart level'. It is about understanding that, in the weakness and the failure of the other person who has offended us; we recognise our own weak-points. We learn about our self in getting to know the other. Ultimately the reason for 'overlooking the offence' is our 'remembering the covenant'. That is, if we recall that our most precious possession and reality in life is our relationship with God, then everything else fades into insignificance. Anyone who is truly in love has no need to bear grudges. If we are truly in love with God, as God is with us, it becomes easy to 'overlook the offence'.

Fr John Scarrott

PLEASE NOTE Thursday's 9.00am Mass will be held in St Monica's Tugun for the next 2 weeks during school holidays.

BORDER COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
Today, Sunday 17th September, 3.00pm
The Border Council of Churches Peace Service is being held today in the Elanora Uniting Church, **17th September at 3.00pm**. Please come along and enjoy this beautiful ecumenical service.

RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION for ADULTS
Our next RCIA program will commence with an Information Evening on **Thursday, 28th September** commencing at **7.00pm** in St Monica's Centre, Tugun.

The RCIA program is a simple look at the Catholic faith organised around scripture readings and current teachings of the Church which help us to know the truth, and dispel some of the myths and stories about what Catholics believe.

If you are interested, or know of anyone who may be interested in the RCIA program, please contact Julie in the Parish office on 5598 2165 to register.

2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN
Thank you!

It's a great joy to see the support coming in from generous people like you all across the Archdiocese. On behalf of all those who will benefit from your generosity, we hope that your life is enriched knowing your gift is far greater than your donation. **Your prayers and your gifts are a shining light to others.**

A special thank you to those who were able to make an ongoing commitment at this time - your faith in the future of the Church will bear fruit for many.
There is still time to give a last minute gift: 3324 3200 or catholiccampaign.com.au

Our Church * Our Mission * Our Responsibility

KAIROS

The next Kairos short course commences on 16th October in Arthur Gorrie Prison. Kairos Prison Ministry is seeking your prayers and support. See Prayer Vigil list and donation envelopes in Church.

Entrance:

'Sing of the Lord's Goodness' AOV1 #131

Psalm:

*The Lord is kind and merciful,
The Lord is kind and merciful.*

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Gospel Acclamation: 'Alleluia'

Gifts Procession: 'Micah's Theme'

*Hear, then, what Yahweh asks of you:
to live justly, to love tenderly,
and to walk humbly with your God.*

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Communion: 'This Blessing Cup'

*This Blessing Cup is our Communion
In the Blood of Christ!
Each time you drink this cup
You proclaim His death until he comes!*

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Reflection:

'To Know Your Forgiveness, O God'

To know your forgiveness, O God,
help us to forgive each other from the heart,
to know your pardon and peace.

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**Recessional: 'Though the Mountains
May Fall' AOV1 #182**

Earn & Learn for St Augustine's School
The Woolworths Earn & Learn promotion finishes on the **19th September**. Please put any remaining completed or partly completed sheets into the Collection Boxes in each Church by next Sunday, 24th September. Our school thanks you for all your support!

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St Mary's College Ipswich Year 10 -1967 Junior Class Reunion. Ex students of St Mary's Year 10 1967 class are invited to a 50th year class reunion to be held the weekend of 7th & 8th October. For all enquiries please contact Yvonne O'Brien (nee Kopelke) on 0409 056 484 or Pauline Webb (nee Kelleher) on 0423 499 035.

HOSPITALITY ROSTER

Sunday, 24th September

9.30am John & Barbara Blair

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

No children's liturgy from the 17th Sept. during school holidays - resumes 8th Oct.

Baptised into our Catholic Community this week. We welcome:
Lachlan Michael Finadri.



Baptismal Preparation Meeting

First Wednesday evening each month at **7.00pm**. Next meeting is on Wednesday **4th October** in St Monica's Hall at Tugun.
Please ring office to book your attendance.

Birthdays



It is with great pleasure that we send Happy Birthday wishes to Pat Gundrum who celebrated 92 wonderful years on Friday, 15 September. We also congratulate Margaret Scanlon on her 90th birthday on Saturday, 9 September. We pray that God continues to bless you both with good health and happiness always.



We All Need a Break

Boy, did I mess up my 21st birthday party. I spent time planning the ceremony and the speeches but forgot to book the venue. When I remembered to book it, the hall was already taken. Luckily, some people helped me correct the problem I caused. The group who had booked the hall even changed their plans for me. Through it all, everyone was forgiving of my mistake. I try to remember that mess each time I feel like jumping on someone who makes a mistake that inconveniences me. It helps calm me down, look with compassion, and remember that we all need forgiveness sometimes. I think that was Jesus' point in this week's Gospel. It hurts when people treat us badly or mess up our day by their mistakes. We can get angry or frustrated. Before we know it, harsh words can fly. That's why it's good to keep our own mistakes in the back of our minds - always slowing us down when we're ready to judge someone else. We just need to give one another a break.



**PARISH COFFEE CLUB
MORNING TEA**

**The Coolangatta Surf Club
Marine Parade, COOLANGATTA**

10.30am TUESDAY 19th September
(3rd Tuesday of every month)

*Please come and enjoy a coffee with us.
Everyone Welcome!*

PARISH LUNCHEES / DINNERS

On speaking with Joan Lester and Barbara Blair who, I gather, did so much of the work involved in the Parish Lunches, I am not surprised that these lunches folded. Too much was done by too few. Yet I am told that they were very popular and a great contribution to camaraderie. Therefore, I am seeking a Committee of interested people to discuss alternative ideas/ formats/venues for our lunches, dinners or whatever they may be. If you would like some form of parish social to be re-ignited, please ring me.

Veronica Kearney: 0423 409 624

Date Claimer

**New Parishioners Welcome &
Parish Social Night**

All parishioners are invited to our next social and 'Welcome' BBQ to meet our new parishioners. **Wednesday, 11th October** from **5.30pm** in St Monica's Centre, Tugun. Please claim the date and plan to join us! Always a great evening with great atmosphere.

ALPHA

"Come on the Alpha adventure and bring a friend. Take time to consider the big questions in life. Why am I here? Is there more to life than this? Beginning **Monday 9th October at 9.00am till 11.00am** and continuing Monday mornings with free breakfasts, free child care, new friends and all welcome. **Venue:** St Augustine's Parish School, Currumbin Waters. Phone Bernadette Duffy on 0755 986 284 or 0478 599 625 for catering and child care arrangements."