

CATHOLIC PARISHES BOOROWA/BINALONG-GALONG – (Frogmore, Hovell’s Creek, Kangiara, Murringo, Reids Flat, Rugby & Rye Park) - Part of the Young Mission

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Boorowa/Binalong

SUNDAY MASS TIME

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm - 4sqm per person

WEEKDAY SERVICES

TUESDAY: MASS & HOLY HOUR – No Mass during school Holidays – Mass when available at 12.30pm - Church preceded by Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament at 11.30am

WEDNESDAY: 11.00am - Hospital, Holy Communion Service with Liturgy of the Word (Suspended)

THURSDAY: Mass 11.00am – St Patrick’s Church, Boorowa

RECONCILIATION (SACRAMENT OF PENANCE) Saturday 5.30pm Anytime by appointment

COMMUNITY ROSARY:

Saturday: 5.30pm Church

MARRIAGES: by appointment at least 6 months notice

MASS TIMETABLE FOR YOUNG, GRENFELL AND BOOROWA

BOOROWA: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

BINALONG: 9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion, -

Mass 4th Sunday monthly – Fr Crowe

YOUNG: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm & Sunday 9.00am)

GRENFELL: Sunday 9.00am

ST CLEMENT’S MONASTERY GALONG -

Saturday Mass 9:00 am followed by the Novina: Sunday Mass 9:00 am.

RECONCILIATIONS Anytime by appointment

VISIT BY ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE

Archbishop Christopher has announced the date he will be visiting the Young Mission (Parishioners from Boorowa, Grenfell and Young Parishes). He is only able to pay a visit to Young and as the limit in a church is 100 people, the first 100 parishioners to reply from the 3 Parishes will only be able to attend. Mass will be celebrated at 10.00 am on Thursday, 17th September followed by a luncheon. (All Covid-19 restrictions apply).

COVID-19 Latest protocols for NSW parishes

The NSW Premier has announced changes to COVID-19 restrictions which will bring NSW in line with the ACT effective 1st July 2020.

Please note the following:

1. Masses are to be celebrated respecting the 4sqm per person rule.
2. Register of people upon entering the Church
3. Funerals celebrated inside the church building are restricted to 4sqm per person rule, excluding those conducting the service.
4. Weddings may now be celebrated with the 4sqm per people, excluding those conducting the ceremony.

These gatherings are permitted with the physical distancing rule of 1.5 metres. No physical sign of peace is permitted and the current protocols for Holy Communion remain in place - please see latest COVID-19 Protocols for Holy Communion on the Church door

PLEASE NOTE - REGISTRATION FORM FOR VISITORS AND ATTENDEES ARE LOCATED AS YOU ENTER THE CHURCH - THANK YOU

WEEKLY PLANNED GIVING Tax Receipts

Reference: PARISH "SURNAME"

2nd COLLECTION : BSB 062786 A/c 14844 – Please add name & add envelope number

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DIRCET CREDIT - 1st Collection

Account Name: CentralPresbyterFund

BSB: 062-786

Bank Account: 000029248

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LITURGY ROSTERS

06/09/2020		Binalong
Readers	David Marsh	Jacki Groom
Prayers of the Faithful	Barbara Manion	
13/09/2020		
Readers	Majella McGrath	Pauline Oldfield
Prayers of the Faithful	Teena McGrath	
Binalong Church Cleaning July		Marilyn Garry

Thought for the week:

God may speak through nature or nurture, or mishap. But through all and to all he invites: "Come, enjoy me forever." He never says the journey will be easy, but he does say that the arrival will be worthwhile.

St. Patrick’s Sacramental Programs 2020

First Reconciliation and First Communion

Confirmation

Due to changing Covid-19 restrictions some details of the Sacrament of Confirmation have now been changed.

Students at St. Joseph’s school will be tutored in their Confirmation preparation at school by Mr Corcoran and Mr Maynard.

Students at Boorowa Central school will be tutored in their Confirmation preparation by Mrs Gale Grimson.

Students at Binalong Public school will be tutored in their Confirmation preparation by Mrs Anna Evans.

All preparations will be organised by their tutors.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions there will be two Confirmation Masses. The following students will make their Confirmation at the following times.

Sunday 13th September 2020 Confirmation Mass 1 at 4pm	Sunday 13th September 2020 Confirmation Mass 2 at 6pm
John Bromham	Destiny Hardefelt
Peter Bowman	Preston Harris
Archie Coble	Emme Kelly
Noah Coble	William Kelly
Hayden Croker	Ella Saunders
Delilah Cross	Ivy Saunders
Cooper Downey	Grace Shea
Alice Dymock	Tyler Sullivan
Max Galvin	Mylee Taylor
Jordan Grimson	Sid Van Leeuwen
Toby Wales	





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All St. Joseph's Confirmation Candidates are ask to bring their booklets in on Thursdays for tutoring.

If you have any further questions you can contact Fr. James Onoja on 63 82 2222 or Paul Corcoran on 63853263

EMAILING BULLETIN – If you would like the bulletin emailed please complete the form in the folder at the back of the Church or email: boorowa@cg.org.au. We would like to make contact with more Parishioners throught the Bulletin. A reminder a hard copy of the Bulletin may be found at Carmody's Newsagency

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THANK YOU to ALL parishioners who continually support our Parish through our plate collections at Mass, through the envelopes and direct banking. Without your financial help our parish could not

Fellow Parishioners
By the time you have the opportunity to read this letter it will be almost two months since we have been able to attend Mass. We hope that during this time of lockdown (or lockout in the case of the Church) you are all taking care of yourselves and those that look to you for help and hopefully a return to some degree of normality regarding Mass attendance is not far away.
Sadly at this time of locked Churches our Parish is in the same position as households and businesses in that we continue to have financial obligations that must be met.
As you are probably aware a large percentage of our Parish income comes from contributions to the second collection during Mass. Obviously with no Sunday Mass this income source has ceased. We therefore ask that those of you who normally support your Parish in this way do one of the

following at least until we are back to regular Mass attendance:
Change your method of support from using the second collection to direct credit to Parish account either weekly or monthly, or
Put the money you would normally contribute aside so it is available to put on the second plate when we are able to attend Mass
Obviously the former method is preferable for budgeting and planning purposes but it is a matter of personal preference.
For those of you who would like to direct details are as follows:
ST PATRICKS CHURCH BOOROWA ACCOUNT BSB: 062-786 / ACCOUNT NO: 000014844
We thank you & especially thank those give directly for your understanding during this trying time.
St Patricks Boorowa & Binalong Finance Committ

A PRAYER AT A TIME OF THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC
ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE CATHOLIC
ARCHBISHOP OF CANBERRA GOULBURN
Heavenly Father, We praise and thank you for your loving presence, especially in the Lent/Easter season. We offer heartfelt thanks, dear Lord, particularly for our recent rains. Once again, we come to you in our need. As your children we are in need of your healing and protection. Just as we have been recovering from our dangerous bushfire summer, we have now been thrown into a fearful coronavirus (COVID 19) autumn. We are tired and frightened. We feel a sense of panic and future uncertainty on a global scale. Be with us now, Loving Master. Without you all is nothing – only empty hearts and a total reliance on our own feeble resources. But with you “there is mercy and fullness of Redemption” (Psalm 130/7). With you there is “the loving mercy of the heart of our God (who) will give light to those who sit in darkness, those who dwell in the shadow of death, and guide our feet into the way of peace” (Luke 1/79). It seems that so many public gatherings are now postponed or cancelled. There is virus death, the sick, and the anxious. We are spending more time on our own, or with family or friends. We pray for the sick and those looking after

them. Help us to offer practical help to those who struggle. Let us use these times, O Lord, for your greater glory, especially during Lent and Easter. Let us pray more, and truly listen to you more in loving silence, stillness and simplicity. Almighty Father, you always journey with us in life's challenges. Help us to meet you often in the scriptures and our sacraments. Increase in us faith, hope and trust. Protect us from this coronavirus. Remove it from our common home. Heal those who are sick and dying. Mary, Help of Christians, as always we fly to you in our need. Be close to us and point out your Son, Jesus, to us in this pandemic. St Therese of Lisieux and her parents, Saints Louis and Zelig Martin, pray for us. We make this and all our prayers through Jesus, Our Lord and Saviour, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, AMEN

ROSTERS for 2020 Are now available at the back of the Church. **IMPORTANT** - All Parish volunteers, regardless of whether they work with children, are to read the Archdiocesan Child Protection Code of Conduct, then sign and return the acknowledgment form. This should be done as soon as possible. More information is available from the following link: <http://cgatholic.org.au/professional-standards/child-protectioncode-of-conduct/> Alternatively, if you don't have access to a computer, you can read the Code of Conduct form located at the back of the church and then sign the Acknowledgement form and leave in the folder. Thank you once again for your co-operation.

BINALONG/ GALONG
SUNDAY MASS TIMES
BINALONG -Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion. 9.00am
Mass on the 4th Sunday monthly by Fr Crowe Monastery 9.00am
1st FRIDAY MASS & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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Monastery 9.00am
ST CLEMENT’S MONASTERY GALONG
NOVENA follows the 9.00am Mass
RECONCILIATIONS Anytime by appointment

CLEANING ROSTER: March- Christine Saunders

GALONG RETREAT: 17th to 19th April – A weekend of Poetry and Religion presented by Fr Dom Carrigan CSsR. Please contact Monastery for further details. Phone 63 805222

DIRECT CREDIT
1ST COLLECTION: BSB 062786 – A/c 22196 S11 – Please include Parish name
2nd COLLECTION : : BSB 062786 A/c 14844– Please add name

1stCollection:
2nd Collection



BINALONG PARISHIONERS are running a Lucky Shamrock Club in an effort to support the upkeep of the Church.
How does it work:

- Members pay \$10 per month & receive a random pick Lucky Shamrock number
- Only 45 Lucky Shamrock

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Collection trays will be located at the back of the Church - forms for direct debiting are available at the back of the Church

Part Time Parish Secretary

People are invited to apply for the position of Parish Secretary for Boorowa, Binalong-Galong Parishes. This is a part-time permanent position approximately 12 hours per week.

Essential Requirements:

- Experience with financial & database packages.
- Strong communication and liaison skills
- Strong organisational skills
- Ability to work on your own, and as part of a wider team and take direction.
- Understanding and respect for the Catholic Church and its teaching
- Experience in an office environment.

Salary will be subject to Clerk Award Level 4/5 rates. Please phone Paul Reardon on 0427357234 or Teena McGrath on 0437272000 for further information & duty

statement. Applications addressing the Selection Criteria to the Fr James Onoja, Parish Pastor, PO Box 30 Boorowa or email: boorowa@cg.org.au to be received by 12th March.



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: Principal Mr Brendan Maynard, Ph 63853263 Fax 63853487 Email:office.stjboorowa@cg.catholic.edu.au
HENNESSY CATHOLIC COLLEGE – YOUNG – YRS 7-12 : Mrs Kathy Holding, Ph 63821486, Fax 63824585, Email:office.hennessy@cg.catholic.edu.au
ST CLEMENT'S RETREAT CENTRE- GALONG – Ph 63805222 Fax 63867353 Email:info@stclement.com.au





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BAPTISM: We welcome into God’s family and our Parish family at St Patrick’s, Boorowa

Son of Clair & Ben

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: No one can persuade another to change.

Each of us guards a gate of change that can only be opened from the inside. Marilyn Ferguson

Plenary Council Prayer
Come Holy Spirit of Pentecost,
Come Holy Spirit of the great South Land
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognize Jesus our companion on the road.
Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
Lead your Church into a hope filled future that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.
Amen.
Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

PLENARY COUNCIL
A council of the Australian Catholic Church has been called for 2020. Your input to the questions set out below is invited and encouraged.
You may respond as an individual or as part of a small group in your home, through your school or in the parish.
Questions for discussion:
• What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
• What questions about the future of the Church in Australia should the Council consider?
• What story or experience of faith would you like to share?
Responses:
Either email them to plenary.council@catholic.org.au or type them up email to the parish office. Could the convenors of groups email the parish office and give us their contact details and obtain guidelines and prayer focuses for your meetings

thank you!

FATHER’S DAY APPEAL – Annual Appeal for Retired Priests will be conducted at this weekend’s Masses. This appeal supports 23 retired priests meeting their needs and giving them security in their retirement years.

Envelopes are available for this appeal and all donations are tax deductible. Please give generously as you have in the past.

THE SUNDAY SQUEEZE
(Finding time for Mass in a busy schedule)
Family time is busy. Even without children, our modern lives are packed with activities.
So how do busy people make time for Mass, and why would they want to?
HOW TO GET THERE:
 Plan ahead - Schedule Mass ahead of time and fit other activities around it. Make Mass the priority or it will get squeezed out.
 Free up Sundays - Do chores on weekday nights.

Confine kids activities to other days.
 After Mass bonus - keep the positivity going

afterwards with a visit to the park, an ice cream shop or café.
 Double duty - If you are on the road, attend Mass near where you’ll be doing other things.

WHY MASS:
1. Feed your soul: Mass is a spiritual superfood.
2. Connect with others.
3. Breathe, Rest, Recharge: Get off the activity treadmill.
4. God said so: Do we need a better reason?
Through Sunday rest, daily concerns and tasks find their proper perspective, the material things we worry about give way to spiritual values.
St Pope John Paul II.

Please feel free to check out our information and Bulletins on the Website. Just go to: cg.org.au/boorowa, and download view for the latest Bulletin.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL are in negotiations with Tobin Brothers Funerals in regard to the regaining some of the items from the old Chapel that was built at St Joseph’s Convent (refer March issue of the Voice). We will keep you informed of developments.
Plenary Council 2020 – Listen to what the Spirit is saying.

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops’ decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future.

To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God’s people are invited to reflect on the question: *“What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?”* Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au
QUESTIONS

This is an invitation to anyone who always wanted to ask a question about their faith but did not know who to ask.
If there is something about your faith and Church teaching that you would like to know more about, then this is your chance!
You can place your questions in the box provided in the foyer of the Church and I will collate the questions and set up a timetable to address the issues raised. These will be

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advertised in the bulletin and we will deal with one topic a time starting with the most frequently asked questions. Please type or print your questions so they are clearly understood. Hopefully we might look at starting September or October. Over to you!!!

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PARISHIONERS – This is an invitation to indicate any interest on your part to develop and

improve your Parish. You may see a need in the Parish which is presently not being met, if so please bring it to my attention . You must be prepared to take steps yourself to be involved with meeting that need. Over to you!! All comments welcome provided you are willing to mee the need you see!!!. Fr Tom

For God and St. Patrick, and our native home St Patrick’s Breastplate
Christ be beside me, Christ be before me
Christ be behind me, King of my heart,
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part
St Patrick’s Breastplate
Christ be beside me, Christ be before me
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Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part
Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand
Christ all around me, shield me in the strife
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting
Christ in my rising, Light of my life.
Christ be in all hearts, thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues telling of me,
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
In ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

Hail Glorious St Patrick

Things to Surrender

1. **Grumpiness** – irritability is a choice. We can choose to be grumpy and hang on to our right to be foul-tempered, or we can choose to be pleasant and good humored.
2. **Blame** – when things go wrong, stop looking for a scapegoat. Practice acceptance and responsibility.
3. **Superiority** – A judgmental attitude is like a rotting corpse – it spreads it’s bile over everyone in criticism and put downs.
4. **Gossip** – resist taking delight in someone else’s failure. Protect their reputation and let the bad news stop with you.
5. **Vanity** – give up self-obsession and the fantasy that the world revolves around you. Start revolving your life around God and you’ll find more joy than you ever dreamed.

6. **Self-pity** – everyone has to deal with setbacks and disappointments. Self-pity won’t change your circumstances; it just makes you feel powerless.
7. **Resentment** – unforgiveness and resentment hangs over a person’s life like dark thunder clouds. It makes your life gloomy and your presence unpleasant. It’s not worth the cost.
8. **Tiredness** – if you’re always tired, go to bed early. Be self-disciplined and resist the TV, internet or other recreation that steals your sleep. And if you choose not to, then at least stop whining about how tired you are! (Parents of young children exempted!)
9. **Busyness** – you have all the time you could ever need for the things that are important to you. Stop using a lack of time as an excuse for neglecting relationships or your health.
10. **Cynicism** – it’s easier to be cynical than it is to be optimistic and hope-filled. Take the path less t

Hail, glorious St. Patrick, dear saint of our isle,
On us thy poor children bestow a sweet smile;
And now thou art high in the mansions above

On Erin's green valleys look down in thy love.
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Ever bless and defend the sweet land of our birth,
Where the shamrock still blooms as when thou wert on earth,
And our hearts shall yet burn, wherever we roam,
For God and St. Patrick, and our native home.
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PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR JUSTICE
Come, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together,
one in the Body of Christ.





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