**Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish**

**in the Monaro Mission**

Country of the Yuin and Ngarigo Ngarigo Peoples, first Catholics arrived in the area from 1826, as assigned servants (convicts),

Scottish, Irish and later German immigrants built up the presence, from 1833

1864 the first resident priest, Fr Patrick Newman

Churches built, Bombala (1867 & 1942), Delegate (1877 & 1918), Cathcart (1878), Corrowong (1895)

Schools 1866-1886 (privately Catholic), Bombala, 1886, Delegate, 1921

Sisters of St Joseph (Mary MacKillop) arrived in 1888, continuous ministry for 128 years

Monaro, South Coast Parishes transferred to Goulburn Diocese 1917

First priestly vocation – Fr Ernest Barragry, ordained as Missionary of the Sacred Heart 1941 (died 1997)

Prayer Intentions

**17th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A 29th 30th July 2017**

**POPE’S INTENTIONS:**

Lapsed Christians –That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

We pray for the curtailing of the continued displacement of civilians in the Congo where the estimated number of displaced people now exceeds 1.3 million.

For the millions of people starving in South Sudan.

For the sick and all who face serious illness:  may they know God’s comfort and peace

For our deceased loved ones and parishioners;  may they share in all the joy of God’s kingdom.

**For those who are ill –** Judy Rodwell, Greg Tett, Slip Reed, Jenny Moreing, Neville Anderson, Paul Yelds, Veronica McDonald, Meryl Lock, Dick Kennedy, Rev. Bob Lindbeck, Carol De Jong, Larry & Shirley Bedingfield, Steven Baseler, Edna Reed, Tracey B, Brian Kelly (Maureen P’s brother), Ken and Linda Atkins, Dorothy Tawney, Cheryl May, Paul Warren, Trish Guthrie,

Delegate a Parish in its own right 1954 – 1972

***Bombala-Delegate***

***Catholic Parish***

*“Created by God, Loved by Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit … We come together inspired by our patrons,*

*St Mary the Virgin and St Joseph, her husband,*

*to worship, study and serve.”*

*Parish Vision Statement, 2004*

Welcomed the WYD Cross & Icon, Feb 2008

St Mary’s Church, Bombala, Consecrated 2008

Father Mick MacAndrew

Parish Priest. Mobile 0419 010 870

Fr. George Ogah, Asst. Priest

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**Weekend Masses**

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*Please assist the team by having items in by Wednesday pm.*

*Items may come in by phone, note or email.*

**17th Sunday Year A**

**Mon –** St.  Ignatius Loyola

**Tue –** St. Alphonsus Ligouri

Rosary 11 am Currawarna

**Wed –** St. Peter Julian Eymard

           Mass 9.30 am Bombala

CLO Meeting after Mass

**Thu –** St. Dominic

Sister Teresa to Delegate

**Fri** – St. John Vianney

Adoration 9.30-10.00 Convent

**Sat –** Mass 5 pm DELEGATE

**Sun -** Mass 8 am BOMBALA

            Mass 10 am Nimmitabel

**Remembering their faith and love –**

Jean Talbot, Lena McCoy, Jack Davey, Sr. Maria Goretti Pearson RSJ,Jean Talbot, Sister Elizabeth (Carmelite), Valmay Lasker and Beryl Morgan (anniv. 26/7),Emily Williams (anniv 17/7), Jean Manning (anniv 26/7), Martin Page (anniv. 29/7), Dick Walcott, Margaret Murray, Norm Vincent, Enid Johnson, Maya, Don Tindale, Sheila White, Val Buckley, Clare Birmingham,

***“We have loved them in Life: let us not forget them in death.”***

***Thought for the Week:***

***“The saints were out of their minds when it came to love.***

***Their love was limitless,…And so, are we not going to***

***do anything to become like those saints whom we love?”***

-----Blessed Frederic Ozanam.

 For Our Monaro Mission

**For Vocations: We pray that as a parish within the Monaro Mission we will support each other, our priests and sisters in becoming the Body of Christ for all in the area. We also pray for vocations to the religious life and the priesthood that the generations to come may also hear the Word of God as we have. Keep us working with other churches to share the Gospel. Amen**

**FAITH IN LIFE:**

Our society is so fast to ask for things.  In terms of material possessions, we want the best and latest model of everything.

Even when it comes to prayer, we are so quick to turn to God and ask Him to fix things in our way and in our time.  Often we miss the opportunity simply to be grateful.

Showing gratitude is a pure response to the presence of God in my life, conscious that everything I am and have isn’t because of me.  It’s because of God.

Aware that everything we have is a gift, we can never be grateful enough for all that we have received.

Perhaps my focus on being grateful was born from spending seven years living in a rural village in Malawi, East Africa.

During my time there I was constantly blown away by the simplicity and joy of the people – people who have nothing, yet seem as though they have everything.

During Sunday Mass one can sit in the church surrounded by people with no shoes and torn T-shirts, yet the way they dance and sing is humbling.

I could go and visit a family of students from our school and they would kill a chicken to celebrate.

This might mean that they would have limited food for the rest of the week, but the people were grateful that the sisters had come to visit them.

It didn’t matter if people had no electricity or hot water, they had life and for this they were grateful to God.

The people of Africa taught me much about faith, about searching for the stars even in the darkest sky, and about trusting that with God, all will be well.

…..Sr. Melissa Dwyer – a Canossian Daughter of Charity in Brisbane.

(To be continued next week)

***“Truly, we have received much, so many graces, so many blessings…..***

***Perhaps we need to ask ourselves:  are we good at counting our blessings?”***

(Pope Francis, September 2015)

**Prayer of the Faithful:**

**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**.

Celebrant: Confident that God accompanies as we

search for the treasure in life, we offer these prayers

for ourselves, for the Church and for the world.

For Pope Francis and Church leaders: that they be given the wisdom of Solomon in guiding their people to true values. We pray to the Lord:

For all government leaders: that they may govern with wisdom so that the world may enjoy justice and peace. We pray to the Lord:

For all parents teaching their children the way of your truth: may they be strengthened in their efforts to live a Christian family life: We pray to the Lord:

For the people living in famine and drought stricken places, for those traumatised by tragic events, for the sick and the dying and all who care for them: may they find encouragement, hope and relief.

We pray to the Lord:

For those who have died especially Jean Talbot, Lena McCoy and Jack Davey: may they rejoice in all the happiness and blessings of God’s kingdom. We pray to the Lord:

For Our Lady’s intercession for all our needs: We pray: **Hail Mary**…..

Celebrant: Loving God, as you have given us a

glimpse of the Kingdom, may we continue to respond

positively with our whole lives.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**ROSARY:**

A Decade of the  Rosary will be said for PEACE IN THE WORLD, commencing at the start time of Mass or Liturgy – then attendees are present and not walking in throughout the Rosary.

**JOSEPHITE CALENDARS:**

The order form has arrived.  If you would like one of these wonderful calendars for 2018, please tell Anna, who will compile the total order.  Price is $6-00 plus 50c for postage.  Total cost per calendar is $6.50.

**PRAYER FOR RAIN**

**Loving God, we know you care for all things. We ask your help during this dry time. Send the rain our land needs. While we wait for that rain, help us to show your care and kindness to those farmers who are suffering the most during this time. We thank you for the rain we have received.**

**Amen**

**DELEGATE WINTER MASS/LITURGY TIMES**;

As there has been some confusion please note the following; For June, July and August, the Saturday night time Mass and Liturgy will commence **at 5 pm.**

**A New Heart for a New World** Watts/O’Brien 1985

**Create a new heart, holy Lord,**

**Beckon our lives through your word**

**Open our eyes to your call**

**United as one for your world.**

**Heighten our minds to your thoughts**

**Heal us of pride and of hurt**

**May we go forth in your name**

**We pray our hearts change**

The heart of the Cross, lowly and poor, calls us on. Lord, it is you promising hope, promising truth.

Restless the hearts who yearn for your peace in this land. Deepen the dream, justice brings life, justice redeems.

**Christ Be Our Light** Bernadette Farrell

Longing for light we wait in darkness

Longing for truth, we turn to you

Make us your own, your holy people,

Light for the world to see.

***Christ be our light!***

***Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.***

***Christ be our light!***

***Shine in your church gathered today.***

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.

Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has pow’r to save us.

Make us your living voice.

**Bring Forth The Kingdom** Marty Haugen

You are the salt for the earth, O people.

Saltfor the Kingdom of God.

Share the flavour of life, O people.

Life in the Kingdom of God.

***Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace,***

***Bring forth the Kingdom of justice, bring forth the City of God.***

You are the light on the hill, O people.

Light for the City of God.

Shine so holy and bright O people.

Shine for the Kingdom of God.

**Seek Ye First** Lafferty 1972

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness,

And all these things shall be added unto you

Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you

Seek and ye shall find

Knock and it shall be opened unto you

Allelu, alleluia

**NOTICE**

The Catholic and Anglican Ladies are having a combined Casserole Luncheon and Fashions of Yesterday Parade on the 18th August at the Golf Club.

We are asking for donations of casseroles and sweets. If you would like to help would you please contact Jan on 64583435, Lee on 64583563 or Eilee on 64583407.

We would love to hear from you. Thank you.

**PAMBULA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:**

Pilgrimage to Eden on Saturday 12th August, to commemorate Australia’s first saint, Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, at the site she visited on two separate occasions.

Mass will be celebrated at 12.00 pm – the highlight of the day.

The Parish will provide lunch and there will be short talks by John Liston of the history of Mary MacKillop and her mother Flora.  Also a talk will be given by a Sister of St. Joseph.

If you are considering attending, can you please advise Anna on 64585208 as we have to give numbers – also any dietary requirements please.  A copy of the letter from Pambula/Eden is on the notice board for you to read.

***“In everything let us do what is pleasing to God, in our state of life.***

Julian Tenison Woods.

**COOMA JOSEPHITE ASSOCIATES:**

Bev Fitzgerald has invited the Bombala Associates to a Prayer Gathering, morning tea and lunch.  This will be held on Tuesday, 8th August, the Feast of St. Mary of the Cross, with Mass at 10 am in St. Patrick’s Church and the gathering at Bev’s home, 55 Egan Street, Cooma.  If you wish to attend please advise Sister Teresa for catering purposes.  Also we could carpool.

**NOTICE**

CATHOLIC LADIES MEETING ON WEDNESDAY

2ND AUGUST AFTER MASS2

**MARY MACKILLOP***:*

*God knows what is best for us all.  12.7.1898*

*I am full of hope in God who has been so good to us all. 28.11.1898*

*God’s work does not depend on any of us.  28.11.1898*