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
31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4th 5th November 2017
FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY

Pope's Intentions;

Workers and the Unemployed:

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good. For our young people receiving their First Communion this weekend.

For students preparing for exams in the next few weeks.

For follow-up rain which we desperately need.

For those who are ill, that they experience God's healing power.

For the faithful departed; may they have the reward of their lives of faith and fullness of joy forever.

For those who are ill – Baby Millie, Russel, Judy Rodwell, Greg Tett, Veronica McDonald, Rev. Bob Lindbeck, 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

Remembering their faith and love...

Terry Peisley (anniv 3/11), Sheila Tiernan and Christine Walker (both anniv. 8/11), Dick Kennedy, Carol De Jong, Sr. Noeleen Nelson, Nickolaus Spoljaric, Linda Platts, Meryl Lock, Jean Talbot, Don Tindale, Sheila White, Val Buckley, Clare Birmingham,

"We have loved them in Life: let us not forget them in death."

Delegate a Parish in its own right 1954 – 1972 Welcomed the WYD Cross & Icon, Feb 2008 St Mary's Church, Bombala, Consecrated 2008

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Please assist the team by having items in by Wednesday pm.
Items may come in by phone, note or email.

Thought for the Week:

Blessed are they who place themselves in the hands of Jesus.
He will place himself in their hands.

(Anonymous)

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

Weekend Masses

CHECK THE BULLETIN EACH WEEK FOR MASS/LITURGY TIMES

31st Sunday Year A

Mon -

Tue –Rosary 11 am Currawarna

Wed - Mass 10.30 am Delegate MPS

Thu – Sister Teresa at Delegate

Fri – St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor Adoration 9.30-10.00.

Sat – 6 pm DELEGATE Liturgy of the Word & HC **Sun** - 9 am BOMBALA Liturgy of

the Word & HC

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

MESSAGE OF FATIMA as important today as 100 years ago.

"No matter what challenge you and I face, the Lord will lead us through it,

through the intercession of his mother, and to you and I struggling to be disciples,

she is our model and guide.

ARE YOU LISTENING?

(From the Archdiocese of Canberra-Goulburn)

The Indigenous people of Australia have a deep relationship with the land. The connection that they have with the places where their ancestors walked is profound – they know what the land is "saying" to them

We, too, develop a relationship with the world around us, particularly when we depend on the land for our livelihood. Farmers develop what seems like a "sixth sense" about the way that the weather will behave, because of their experience and the attention they give to the signs around them. It seems that we pay enormous attention to what is necessary for our physical survival – but we can be very vague about other things, like the things necessary for our spiritual health.

Jesus takes his followers to task because they have failed to recognise the "spiritual season" that they are in, which is the time of mercy. The person who is about to be dragged before the judge knows that he has a chance to make amends before the worst happens; he is motivated to make amends while mercy is still possible. What about us? Are we motivated to change for the better, to make the most of this time of God's mercy? Or are we so complacent – "God is such a nice guy! He will forgive us for sure!" – that we are in danger of missing our opportunity?

Again the Indigenous people of Australia can teach us something here. They have a practice called Dadirri, which means "deep listening". It involves "tuning in" to the deepest realities – really listening to God, to myself, and to the spiritual seasons. We know we are in a time of great mercy, but what does this means for you?

What do you need to give attention to? Are you really listening?

Prayer of the Faithful: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Celebrant: Gracious God, we turn to you in prayer as we intercede for our needs and the needs of the Church and the world.

For Pope Francis and all Church leaders: bless them with your strength and wisdom that they may be faithful teachers of God's good news.

We pray to the Lord:

For those entrusted with power and authority: may they use it to promote justice and peace for those whom they serve.

We pray to the Lord:

For our parish: may we grow in appreciation of the Eucharist as the source and centre of our Christian lives.

We pray to the Lord:

For our First Communicants: may they be blessed on this special day and may the Eucharist be for them God's pledge of love for the rest of their lives.

We pray to the Lord:

We pray for those who are grieving the loss of loved ones and for those who are lonely, sick or in pain.

We pray to the Lord:

For those who have died especially Dick Kennedy and Carol de Jong: may God who has been with them in life and in death, give them glory.

We pray to the Lord:

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

Celebrant: Loving God, hear our prayers and enable us to proclaim to others the good news of your love. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The children of our Parish are receiving their First Holy Communion today at St. Mary's Church. It is a very special day for the young people and for their families

and we wish them many blessings from God, together with our congratulations.

"The LITURGY is the summit towards which the activity of the Church is directed; the same time it is the fount from which all the Church's power flows." SC 10

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.

WORD OF LIFE 2645E

MISSION SUNDAY

Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers – for joining in Jesus' life-giving mission and supporting women and children's health in Uganda and around the world.

Your generosity makes it possible for local missionaries like Sister Mary Goretti to provide essential services for women and children in their time of need.

PARISH DINNER

10th November; \$25-00 per person Bombala Golf Club

The Catholic Ladies have decided that this function will still go ahead.

If there is anyone who still wishes to attend, please phone Jan Farrell on 64583435 or Ros Hood 64587260 as soon as possible.

CALLED TO EVANGELISE:

Pope Francis

The new phase of evangelisation that we are called to journey through is certainly the work of all the Church, the people journeying towards God – rediscovering this horizon of meaning and concrete pastoral practice will be able to promote the impetus to evangelisation itself, without forgetting its social value, for a genuine integral human promotion.

September 27, 2017

The MASS consists in some sense of two parts, namely the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, these being so closely interconnected that they form but one single act of worship. For in the Mass is spread the table both of God's Word and of the Body of Christ, and from it the faithful are to be instructed and refreshed. GIRM 28

The Presence of God

I pause for a moment And reflect on God's life-giving presence *In every part of my body in everything around me,* In the whole of my life.

May the blessing of God go before you. May her grace and peace abound. May her spirit live within you May her love wrap you round. May her blessing remain with you always. May you walk on holy ground. (From Celebrating Women)

PRAYER FOR CATHOLICS TO RETURN TO THE SACRAMENTS.

We abandon into Your Hands all those who have left Your true Church, or who are no longer in communion with our true Church; do with them what You will, for we know You are a merciful God. Whatever You do, we thank You.

Make each of us ready for all that You have for us. to accept all that You desire in us.

Let only Your will be done in us and in all your creatures – we wish no more than this O Lord. Into your hands we commend these souls who have left or otherwise who are not in communion with Your Church: we offer them to You with all the love of our hearts; for we love You, Lord, and we so need to give ourselves, to surrender ourselves into Your hands without reserve and with boundless confidence, for You are our Father. Amen

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

What people say about mass:

"If we but paused for a moment to consider attentively what takes place in this sacrament, I am sure that the thought of Christ's love for us would transform the coldness of our hearts into a fire of love and gratitude."

...St. Angela of Foligno

MARY MACKILLOP:

The Cross may press very heavily but you can be happy for all that. 12.12.1890 Cling to God's love and grace. 15.9.1890

Let us show this love in our acts, bearing with one another, forgiving and forgetting. 12.12.1890