

Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish

in the Monaro Mission

Country of the Yuin and 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

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
13th 14th January 2018

Pope's Intentions;

For peace, healing and generosity to all.

For those travelling on the highways, may their journey be safe, their holiday happy and a successful return to home.

For the sick and recovering members of our parish; may the Spirit of healing restore them to better health.

For those who have died; may they wake to eternal life in the sight of God.

For the large number of people killed in road accidents or in other tragedies here in Australia and all over the world during the recent holiday season.

For those who are ill – Margo

Birmingham, Edna Reed, Moira Tindale, Pat Papalia, Russel, Greg Tett, Veronica McDonald, Rev. Bob Lindbeck, Larry & Shirley Bedingfield, Steven Baseler, 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..

Sr. Bridie O'Connell, rsj, Fr. J.B. Tran, Kitty Peisley's (anniv 6/1), Ralph Sims & Madge Crotty (both anniv 10/1), Tony Elliot (anniv 16/1), Pauline Crouch (anniv), Phyllis Platts, John Horton, Dick Kennedy, Carol De Jong, 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

Father Mick MacAndrew

Parish Priest. Mobile 0419 010 870

Fr James Onoja Asst. Priest

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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:

"Our home is with God and God is with us on our journey.

We should pitch our tents gratefully and tidily because every site is sacred."

Andrew Hamilton, SJ

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

2nd Sunday Ordinary Time, Year B

Mon –

Tue –

Wed - Mass 9.30 am BOMBALA & Parish Finance Committee Meeting

Thu –

Fri –

Sat

**Sun - DELEGATE 8 am Mass
BOMBALA 10 am Mass**

(No Rosary or Adoration until February)

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

See the glory of God,
In the golden glow of the sunrise,
In the shades of a beautiful rose,
Oh, yes,
The Master has been at it again.
His paint brush never stops.
Thank you Lord, for giving us
The gift to see the beauty
from your hands. (CAB)

WELCOME TO our new Assistant Priest, Father James Onoja who has come to join us from the Cathedral Parish, Manuka. I think life might be a little less stressful here.
Some of us met Father James on Wednesdays at Mass when he has travelled down with Fr. Mick.

PRAYER FOR THE POPE:

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful,
look favourably on your servant Francis,
whom you have set
at the head of your Church as her shepherd;
Grant, we pray, that by word and example
he may be of service to those over whom he
presides
so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care,
he may come to everlasting life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen

17 December, 1936: Born Jorge Mario Bergoglio
113 December, 1969: Ordained Jesuit Priest
27 June, 1997: Ordained Bishop
13 March, 2013: Elected Pope Francis

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.

God speaks to us in the silences of our noisy world – in the silences of nature, of suffering, of ageing, of imprisonment, of dying, of prayer and ritual, to mention just a few. Archbishop Christopher Prowse.

Prayer of the Faithful: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leader: God's word has been spoken to us and like Samuel, we must listen to its message. We now turn to God for what we need in the Church and in the community.

For an openness to the call of God: may we be alert to the needs of the times, revealed in Scripture, in the Church and in the life of the community:

We pray to the Lord:

For our civil leaders: that they may always be conscious of their responsibility to work for justice and security in society. We pray to the Lord:

For those who have received the call to serve God in Church ministry. We pray to the Lord:

For Christians: that they may always be conscious of the call they received in Baptism to be disciples of Christ: We pray to the Lord:

For the sick and suffering people in our community: open our eyes to see you in those who suffer in body, mind or spirit and in all who seek to alleviate the pain of others; We pray to the Lord:

For those who have died and for all who are grieving the loss of loved ones: We pray to the Lord:

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

Leader: We thank you loving God, for hearing our prayer and for guiding us on the right way, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Reflection:

Loving Jesus, we pray that all families and communities value and support the elderly in their midst. May we treasure their wisdom, and listen to their insights as they share their experience with us. We pray also that older Christians continue to be close to you in their twilight years, and be inspired to help the next generations discover you for themselves. (from Madonna)

Weekly Prayer Intention:

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Come As You Are *Monica Brown 1985*

Come as you are, that's how I want you
Come as you are feel quite at home
Close to my heart loved and forgiven
Come as you are why stand alone

No need to fear love sets no limits
No need to fear love never ends
Don't run away shamed and disheartened
Rest in my love trust me again

Some Eureka Street views on the Royal Commission

The statistics were horrifying. Every case represented a person who claims as a child to have been abused by a person of authority in a Catholic institution. Whichever way the statistics are interpreted in comparison with other institutions, they are appalling. We need to hold the victims clearly in focus (Frank Brennan, SJ)

This royal commission has changed the public response of religious institutions, not their culture. Nor has it altered the culture at the political pointy end of state, territory or national government. The cause of the misuse of power over children was our refusal to take a child's world view as seriously as our own adult priorities. (Moirá Rayner)

Bishop Long at the Royal Commission
Long's testimony was notable for its directness, honesty and the awareness it displayed of the importance of church culture. Long grew up in the Vietnamese Catholic Church and was afterwards chosen to lead the Australian Church. In his responses he focused on clericalism and its role in giving license and cover to clerical abuse. (Andrew Hamilton, SJ)

May God grant you always....a sunbeam to warm you, a moonbeam to charm you, a sheltering angel so nothing can harm you. Laughter to cheer you, faithful friends near you, and whenever you pray, heaven to hear you.

Here I Am Lord Daniel Schutte

I the Lord of sea and sky!
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.
I who make the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord.
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me,
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain
I have wept for love of them, they turn away
I will break their hearts of stone
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them
Whom shall I send?

HOWTO ENSURE THAT JESUS ANSWERS YOUR PRAYERS

Daniel went to his mother demanding a new bicycle for Christmas. "Danny, we can't afford it", she said, "so write a letter to Jesus and pray for one instead". "Dear Jesus, I've been a good boy this year and would appreciate a new bicycle. Your Friend, Daniel" Now Danny guessed that Jesus really knew he was a brat. So he gave the letter another try. "Dear Jesus, I've been an OK boy this year and I want a new bicycle. Yours Truly, Daniel" Danny knew this wasn't true so he tore it up and tried again "Dear Jesus, I've thought about being a good boy so may I have a new bicycle? Daniel" Finally, Danny thought better of making these false claims and so ran to the Church. He went inside and stole a small statue of Mary and ran out the door. He went home hid it under his bed and wrote this letter. "Jesus, let's face it, I've broken most of the Commandments; tore up my sister's doll and lots more, I'm desperate. I've got your mother Mary, if you ever want to see her again, give me a bike for Christmas. - You know who. Taken from story told by R. Leonard sj

MARY MACKILLOP:

Do not, for the sake of defending one or two, shrink from speaking the plain, open truth. 21.11.1871

The love of Jesus is too strong for me not to cling to. 1873

Look upon your crosses as stepping stones to an eternal life of happiness. 28.2.1890