



BOMBALA - DELEGATE CATHOLIC PARISH

IN THE MONARO MISSION

Country of the Yuin and Ngarigo people

First Catholics arrived in the area from 1826 as assigned servants (convicts)
Scottish, Irish and later German immigrants built up the presence from 1833

First resident priest Fr Patrick Newman 1864

Churches built - Bombala 1867 & 1942, Delegate 1877 & 1915, Cathcart 1878, Corrowong 1894

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

Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart (Mary MacKillop) arrived in 1888, continuous ministry for 130 years

Monaro & South Coast Parishes transferred to Goulburn Diocese 1917

First priestly vocation - Fr Ernest Baragry ordained as Missionary of the Sacred Heart 1941 (died 1997)

Delegate a Parish in its own right 1954-1972. Welcomed the World Youth Day Cross & Icon Feb 2008

St Mary's Church Bombala Consecrated 2008. St Joseph's Church Delegate Centenary 2015



Prayer Intentions

3rd Sunday of Advent, Year C
15th 16th December 2018

Pope's Intention:

Evangelisation – in Service of the Transmission of Faith

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

We pray for peace in the world, especially those areas where conflict still exists.

We pray for all young people finishing primary or High school or Post school studies.

We pray for the sick and suffering; may they receive the love and support of others.

We pray for our deceased loved ones; may they adore and glorify God forever.

For those who are ill: Archbishop Francis Carroll, Betty Cowell, Daryl White, Tracey Hampshire, Jackie Gates (Sue R's niece), Janelle Robinson (Sue's daughter), Cassandra Bennett, Enid Stewart, Gail Peisley, Jim Parkes, Tom Winner, Skippy Peisley, Kay Reed, Pam Scott, Michelle Farran, Margo Birmingham, Braith Frisby, Edna Reed, Greg Tett, Larry and Shirley Bedingfield, Tracey B, Brian Kelly (Maureen P's brother), Ken & Linda Atkins, Dorothy Tawney, Cheryl May, Paul Warren, Trish Guthrie.

Remembering their faith and love:

Judith Whittaker, Bill McDonald, Jean Gorman (nee McDonald), Sylvia Brotherton, Dorothy Ogilvy (anniv 24/12), Roger Haylock, Brenda Preston, Joe Hood, Betty Lomas, Kerry Letts, Jean Hepburn, Ilma Stewart, Sr Bridie O'Connell rsj,

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

Parish Team

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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

"A Christmas without a home is no Christmas at all. But it doesn't need to be that way. Your generosity can help bring joy and comfort to people this Christmas".

....Catholic Leader.

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



PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN EACH WEEK FOR MASS/LITURGY TIMES

3rd Sunday of Advent Year C

Mon:

Tue: Rosary 11 am Currawarna

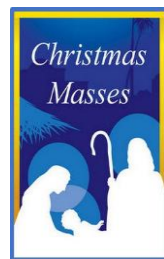
Wed: Mass 9.30 am Bombala

Thu: Sister Teresa to Delegate

Fri: Adoration 9.30-10.00 am

Sat: Liturgy of the Word & HC 6 pm DELEGATE

Sun: Liturgy of the Word & HC 9 am BOMBALA



VIGIL

Monday, 24th December:
DELEGATE 5PM Mass
BOMBALA 6.30 pm Mass

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

ADVENT has a twofold character – as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered; as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's second coming at the end of time. Advent is thus a period for devout and joyful expectation.

Candle liturgy:

CELEBRANT: We have lit the first two candles, one for hope and one for peace. Today we light the third candle, the candle of joy. This should be the easy one, because joy is all around us – in the children, the lights, the music, the gathering together. But how often do we let our preparations – or our memories – push joy to the side? Joy is like an underground spring that wells up within us, but joy is also a choice, an attitude. Like a muscle, it needs to be exercised. So today we open ourselves to joy, trusting that God has already planted it in us. All we need to do is give it care and offer it to share. (Three candles are lit – 1 pink and two purple)

ALL; Loving God, we open ourselves to you, trusting that this is how you made us:
You created us for joy-filled hearts and lives.
Show us the creative power of hope.
Teach us the peace that comes from justice.
Fill us with the kind of joy that cannot be contained, but must be shared.
Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you,
That we may walk in the light of Christ. Amen

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For quiet reflection.

Rejoice in God always, and again I say, rejoice
For God has created you with the capacity for you.
We will find what makes us joyful,
And make that our gift to the world.
Trust in God's good will for all of creation
And open yourself to God's gentle, transforming love.
We will welcome new possibilities in our lives.
We will offer ourselves to God's goodness.
We will go forth in hope, and peace, and joy.

The Third Sunday in Advent is **Gaudete Sunday**.
Gaudete means "rejoice" in Latin. This name comes from the first line of the opening prayer for the 3rd Sunday in Advent, which encourages parishioners to "rejoice in the Lord always".

Finding God in our World Reflection

Season of Joy: Week Three – The Nativity
Jesus is born on the margins of the Roman empire, on the outskirts of David's city. From this place as an outside, he will start a new community that will transform the world.

A THOUGHT

We want this Church to be here for our kids and grandkids and their kids thereafter

Prayer of the Faithful:

3rd Sunday of Advent C

Celebrant : With a sense of joyful expectation we bring before the Lord our needs and the needs of the Church and the world.

For the Church: that it may stand like Jerusalem upon the heights proclaiming with a renewed sense of hope the word of the Lord: We pray to the Lord:

For all in positions of authority: in the darkness of our world, give them passion to create a more just society. We pray to the Lord:

For peace everywhere: God of peace, help us to renounce whatever separates us from you and our brothers and sisters. May nations torn by racial and religious prejudices find a way to embrace peace with justice. We pray to the Lord:

For all families: may they know the blessings of Advent and may those who are estranged forgive one another and be reconciled. We pray to the Lord:

For this faith community: may we hasten the coming of the Lord through love and loving actions. We pray to the Lord:

For our deceased loved ones especially Bill McDonald, Jean Gorman and Sylvia Brotherton: may they live in the presence of the Lord forever. We pray to the Lord:

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

Celebrant: God of joy and celebration, we rejoice and give thanks that you are always near to those who call on you.
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen

Weekly Prayer Intention

For all migrants, refugees and asylum seekers, that they be granted a safe place to create new lives for themselves.

Daily Prayer Intention

For the international community, that this week's 70th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights will call for a new era of global justice.

STAMPS: Please keep your used stamps for the Peruvian Missions. With many receiving Christmas cards, we ask that you put your stamps in a small paper or plastic bag and leave them in the Church porch or give them directly to Sister Teresa.

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.

Micah's Theme Anne Kelly

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

I have come that you may have life and have it to the full.

Ask and you shall receive, knock and it shall be yours.

Father your Kingdom come, may your will be done.

SAVE THE DATE

St. Matthias Anglican Parish has invited all of us to attend their Annual Carols Service on Friday, 21st December. The evening will commence at 6 pm with a sausage sizzle, followed by the Carol Service



Columban calendars and Christmas cards on sale in side porch

ARCHBISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2018

This appeal is conducted at all Christmas Masses throughout the Archdiocese and will again have the funds that are raised split for various areas. Copy of Letter on Notice Boards.

When angels spin your life around, turn you upside down, wrestle you to the ground, toss you high into the clouds Heaven only knows where you'll land!



MARY MACKILLOP:

May God grant you courage and true wisdom in all you do and say. 12.6.1875

Pray humbly with confidence and fear nothing. 15.11.1883

Take care of yourself and don't work beyond your strength. 17.3.1901

Come Lord Jesus Rev. Carey Landry

- 1 Come Lord Jesus (3)
Come and be born in our hearts
- 2, Come O Prince of peace (3)
Come and be born in our hearts
3. Our hearts are open (3)
Come and be born in our hearts
4. Come Emmanuel (3)
Come and be born in our hearts

O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

Refrain

*O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!*

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing all ye citizens of heav'n above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRINCIPAL AT ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Mrs. Susan Tighe (pronounced Tie) will commence in this role at the commencement of the 2019 school year. Mrs. Tighe has spent most of her teaching years at St. Mary's Catholic School, Hay, where she was a staff member, Religious Education co-ordinator and then Principal. Susan has a Master of Religious Education, Bachelor of Education and Diploma of Teaching. More recently Susan has been a School Consultant and Education Officer in the Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes. Susan and her husband, who owned property near Hay, have bought a smaller block between Nimmitabel and Bombala.

CANONISATION OF Archbishop Oscar Romero.

“Archbishop Romero, who left the security of the world, even his own safety, in order to give his life according to the Gospel, close to the poor and to his people, with a heart drawn to Jesus and his brothers and sisters”. (Pope Francis Oct. 2018)