

### **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 132 years
Monaro & South Coast Parishes transferred to Goulburn Diocese 1917

First priestly vocation - Fr Ernest Baragry ordained as Missionary of the Sacred Heart 1941
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



3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent, Year A 14<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020 Prayer Intentions Pope's Intention:

**CATHOLICS IN CHINA**: We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

The World Health Organisation has said the world should do more to prepare for a possible coronavirus pandemic.

We thank God for the abundant rain and pray for good follow-up rain.

**For those** in our community who are sick, renew their strength and bless them with better health.

**For our** deceased loved ones: may they rest in God's loving embrace.

For those who are ill: Nola Bedingfield, Betty Cowell, Lisa O'Connor, Lexie Milliner, Larry and Shirley Bedingfield, Christine King, Ellen Atkins, Anna & John Vincent, Anita Stevens, Yvonne Murphy, Daryl White, Cindy Simpson, Cheryl Hennessey, Tracey Hampshire, Margo Birmingham, Brian Kelly (Maureen P's brother)

#### Remembering their faith and love:

Marion Lister (aunt to Peter & Lorraine Irvin and dear friend to the Vincents), Jak Cuttle, Jareth Hillyer, Judy MacAndrew, Neville Murphy (anniv. 16/30), June Beileiter (anniv. 20/3), Joan Ryan (anniv 21/3), Edna Cottrell (anniv. 22/3)

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

#### **Parish Team**

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# 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

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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

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

(Psalm 46:1)

#### 3rd Sunday of Lent Year A

Mon:

**Tue:** Feast St. Patrick Rosary 11 am Currawarna

**Wed:** Mass Bombala 9:30am

**Thu:** Sister Teresa to Delegate **Fri:** ADORATION 9.30 - 10

Sat: Delegate 6pm Liturgy of

the Word & HC

Sun: Bombala 9 am Liturgy of

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am

Pope Francis says that hearts hardened by ideology, and ego leave no place for God.

"The greatest message of salvation is that God had compassion for us, Pope Francis said; realising that should be like "slap" or wake-up call for a hardened heart. "Each one of us has something hard in the heart. Let's remember and may the Lord give us a heart that is just and sincere, open and compassionate," he said.

#### 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 recognise 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

#### WELCOME NEWS:

As many of you will have heard, we have finally been given a green light by the hierarchy in Canberra and an Assistant Priest has been appointed to our Monaro area.

Fr. Adrian Chan was ordained on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 and has been settling into Priesthood at Pearce Parish under the guidance of Fr. Richard Thompson. Fr. Adrian is originally from Singapore, but I believe he has had a wonderful journey to Priesthood doing many things in the Church. Father will come to visit us on 28/29 March and will commence permanent duties after Easter.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**: -- Re Mass Times There will be NO MASS ON 5<sup>TH</sup> Sunday of March – Liturgies will need to be conducted in both Churches.

Also there will be a Mass on Palm Sunday – details later.

## Prayer of the Faithful 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent A

Celebrant: Let us bring our needs and the needs of the world before God who alone can sustain us on our journey to eternal life.

For the Church: that it may provide us with a prophetic witness to the needs of God's people through the Plenary Council.

We pray to the Lord:

For world leaders: that they may make policies that lead their people to the waters of justice.

We pray to the Lord:

For those who are impacted by the spread of corona virus, those who are recovering from drought and bush fires, for refugees and persecuted minorities and for people affected by domestic violence: may God's love sustain them and give them courage.

We pray to the Lord:

For our sick and recovering parishioners, for the grief-stricken and all who need comfort, relief and hope: pour your Spirit into their hearts and bring them new life.

We pray to the Lord:

For ourselves: that like the Samaritan woman we may be able to give witness to meeting Jesus in our lives.

We pray to the Lord:

For our deceased loved ones and all the faithful departed: may they experience the joy of everlasting life.

We pray to the Lord:

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

Celebrant: Jesus, Saviour of the world, in your mercy hear our prayers and bring new life to your thirsty people.

We make this prayer through Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

#### **DAILY BLESSING**

May God make you holy on cloudy days inviting you into the inner spaces of your being, calling you to reflect on your relationship with the universe. Whether you find sum or storm behind the clouds of the day, may your reflection bring you to a profound respect for your own place and purpose in the cosmos. May the God of cloudy days, the God of Contemplation, bless you. Maxine Shonk, OP

#### **STAMPS**

We hope you have saved your Christmas stamps for the Josephite Missions in Peru. Please leave your stamps in the plastic envelope in the side porch.

#### Come To The Water Frank Anderson

Come to the water. You who are thirsty.
Though you have nothing, I bid you come.
And be filled with the goodness I have to offer.
Come, listen, live.

Why spend your money on what cannot fill the emptiness deep in your heart? Listen to My word and you will enjoy: goodness and peace in your heart.

Just as the heavens are high above earth; My ways and thoughts beyond you. Call me your father and know I am near. I will be Father to you.

#### Living Water Frank Anderson

I will give you living water, shade to rest under; strength to your heart. Grow deep within me, filled by my Spirit, my burdens are easy, my life it is yours.

We have been with the lonely. To the hungry we've given Your Bread. We now come with all our hopes and dreams to rest a while with you.

To the empty we've carried Your Word of hope and of life. Build us now beyond our hopes and dreams 'till we live in you.

#### ST JOSEPH'S DAY PRAYER GATHERING

St Joseph's School Centre, Delegate
March 19<sup>th</sup> 2020.
Commencing with morning tea at 10am, then a
light lunch at 12.30pm.
Everyone is invited to come along.

#### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

We pray for our sisters and brothers throughout the world who are pushed to the edges of society and whose value and potential are not recognized: that their silenced voices may be raised in hope. (CARITAS AUSTRALIA)

#### LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS

Our group meets on Monday at 10 am in our meeting room. Please feel free to join in at an time.

#### Lord to Whom Shall We Go Michael Herry

Lord to whom shall we go? You are our bread, broken and shared. Lord to who shall we go? Yours are the words of life.

Our fathers ate, yet their hunger remained. Their hearts were not satisfied.

O Lord, you feed us with the finest of wheat, our pledge of eternal life.

#### I Am The Bread Of Life Suzanne Toolan SM

I am the bread of life.

You who come to me shall not hunger; You who believe in me shall not thirst. No-one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, And I will raise you upon the last day.

The bread that I will give
Is my flesh for the life of the world,
And you who eat of this bread,
You shall live forever, you shall live forever.

#### **Thanksgiving Prayer for Rains Received**

We give you thanks loving Lord, for the rains we have received which will ease the drought and extinguish the fires. We place our trust in your mercy that we will receive good follow-up rains. Help us to support our farmers and their families as they continue to live in these challenging times. Amen

PROJECT COMPASSION commenced on Ash Wednesday 4 March. Each Lent Caritas launches its Project Compassion appeal – a practical way of bringing to life our campaign of Christian service for thousands of Australians in parishes, schools and the community by raising funds and awareness for the work of Caritas. Boxes and Envelopes are on the seats and in the porches.



#### **MARY MACKILLOP:**

Let us all have courage. 13.4.1874

Trust in God. 3.5.1874

Iow truly wonderful are God's ways and how little we understand the

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