

BOMBALA - DELEGATE CATHOLIC PARISH

IN THE MONARO MISSION

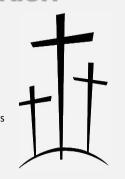
Country of the Yuin and Ngarigo people
First Catholics arrived in the area from 1826 as assigned servants (convicts)
Scottish, Irish and later German immigrants built up the presence from 1833

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

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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



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 22nd 23rd August 2020 Prayer Intentions

Pope's Intention:

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

We pray for the children of Delegate and Bombala who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in September.

We pray for the front-line health care personnel and their support staff, that they stay safe and well and take good care of themselves.

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.

May The Sick be Comforted by our Prayers: Peter Thornton (Nola B's Nephew) Holly Stewart (1 yr old), Thomas Keane (Sister's brother in Ireland), Stewart Reed, Betty Cowell, Larry Bedingfield, Yvonne Murphy, Cheryl Hennessey,

Remembering their faith and love:

Natalie Ingram (Lee C's mother), Sr Kathleen Price, RSJ (taught at Delegate in the 70's), Sr Bridget O'Halloran (Philomena's sister), Shirley Bedingfield, Gwen Kimber, Brian Nunan, Ellen Atkins, Jak Cuttle, Jareth Hillyer, Judy MacAndrew, Jack Elton, Pat Elton (anniv Aug, Sept), Lil Goodyer (anniv 23/8), Peter Martin (24/8), Lou Black (28/8), Jack Stewart (30/8), Mary Monk (31/8)

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

Parish Team

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Chair Parish Council: Mrs Anna Vincent: 02 6458 5208

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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

When one door of happiness closes,

Another one opens; but we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one which has been opened for us.

HELEN KELLER

21st Sunday Ordinary Time Year

Mon:

Tue:

Wed: Mass 9.30 am Bombala

Thur: Sister Teresa to Delegate

Fri:

Sat: Vigil Mass 5 pm Delegate

Sun: Mass 8 am Bombala

CLAIM THE DATE

Confirmation:

12th Sept. 5 pm DELEGATE 13TH Sept. 10 am BOMBALA "The thing the church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity."

Pope Francis

TREES, spirituality and all that.

Our view of our common home and our relationship to God are closely linked.

We decorate trees for festive occasions; we shelter under them in the heat; we admire their beauty. We also tear them down to make way for cultivation, and turn them into woodchip and paper.

The world's forests are effectively the lungs of our planet and its inhabitants. Does our ecospirituality address the wonder and waste that accompany our appreciation of and use of trees?

This issue is one among many which gave rise to the encyclical of Pope Francis in 2015 which was entitled "Laudato Si...On the Care of our Common Home)"

There is a vital link between the way we view our common home and the way we relate to God. It also works the other way; the way we relate to God affects the way we view our common home.

We are all kin and every part of creation has intrinsic value – not just for its usefulness to us.

(Sr. Mary Tinney, rsm)

(More next week)

ATTITUDE AND SUFFERING

A sympathetic friend leaned close to a disabled woman and whispered, 'Affliction does so colour life, doesn't it?'

'Yes,' the handicapped woman replied, 'but thank God I can choose the colour.'

We may not always be able to escape the raw realities of life as they confront us but with God's help we can shape them. Faith doesn't immunise us from difficulty. But it does radically alter our attitude towards our difficulties.

A Canopy of Stars: Some Reflections for the Journey by Fr Christopher Gleeson SJ

FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

Growing better societies

When disaster threatens, societies face a choice – withdraw into themselves or embrace humanitarism.

Lord Jesus, give us all the grace to live lives of integrity and to humbly repent when we fall short of what we profess so that we may draw others to you, the one who has the words of eternal life. (Living Word, Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn)

Prayer of the Faithful 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time A

Leader: Knowing Jesus as the Way, the Truth and the Life, we bring to him our needs and the needs of the whole world.

For the Church: that the bonds of unity may be strengthened between our Pope, all bishops, pastors and people that they may worship and serve in joy and peace.

We pray to the Lord:

For the leaders of nations and governments: that they may serve their people with kindness, honesty and integrity in this time of global pandemic.

We pray to the Lord:

That scientists will be guided in their work to develop vaccines for Covid-19 and other diseases.

We pray to the Lord:

In thanksgiving for bountiful rain across the country: We pray to the Lord:

For all who are coping with the stress of sickness, anxiety or fear of the future: may they experience the healing power of God's love and the support of the community.

We pray to the Lord:

For parents and children preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation: may they come to know God more personally. We pray to the Lord:

For our deceased loved ones especially Josephite Sr Kathleen Price and Natalie Ingram: may they enjoy God's presence for ever. We pray to the Lord:

For our personal needs and intentions:

We pray: Hail Mary...

Leader: Loving God, renew our faith and like Peter who confessed Jesus as God's Son, renew our commitment to follow the way of Christ for he is Lord forever and ever. Amen

Weekly Prayer Intention

For all users of social media, that they uphold the truth and refuse to engage in any communication that is hateful or destructive.

Daily Prayer Intention

For the followers of Islam around the world, that they will be able to celebrate their New Year this week with peace and thanksgiving.

Prayer for the pandemic

Lord, Jesus brought healing during his ministry on earth. Now we need his healing more than ever. We need not only the healing from physical illness brought on by the Coronavirus, but healing for human hearts.

Inspire us to serve the poor and abandoned. **Amen** (St. Columbans Mission Society)

"This is how everyone will know that you are my disciples: if you love one another." (John 13.35)

BREATHE IN

When you stop to think about it, breathing itself is its own miracle – one that happens anywhere from 17,000 to 30,000 times a day, depending on your age! In order to keep on living, laughing, talking, and loving, we have to keep on breathing. It's the way God designed.

By Jennifer Gerelds – Daily Devotion.

International Day commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence based on Religion or Belief.

Since 2019, the UN has designated the 22nd August as the International Day for the above, based on religion or belief. There are numerous peoples around the world that still suffer from persecution because of their religious belief such as the Aighurs in China, the Rohingya in Myanmar and the Christians in Iraq. People fleeing religious persecution is one of the reasons why people need to seek protection in other countries. Pope Francis recently prayed for such victims and said "How many Christians are persecuted even today through the world! They suffer for the Gospel with love, they are martyrs of our day. And we can say with certainly that there are more of them than the martyrs of the early times; so many martyrs, merely for the fact of being Christians."

QUOTE

"The spread of the Gospel is not guaranteed either by the number of persons, or by the prestige of the institution, or by the quantity of available resources. What counts is to be permeated by the love of Christ, to let oneself be led by the Holy Spirit and to graft one's own life onto the tree of life, which is the Lord's Cross."

Excerpt from a homily by Pope Francis, July 7, 2013.

Thanksgiving Prayer for Rains Received

We give you thanks loving Lord, for the rains we have received which will ease the drought. 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

MARY MACKILLOP PRAYER

God of vision,
We thank you for Mary MacKillop and
Julian Tenison Woods,
who loved this land and its peoples.
As we struggle to realise our hopes
for a more just country:
May we witness to the meaning of
fair play for people and land.
May we value the wisdom of the indigenous
peoples.

May we act to halt more damage to Earth.

May we live simply, love tenderly and walk humbly.

We ask this is the name of Christ.

AMEN

"There are moments in life that throw us way up high, when we all feel the Something Bigger of it All.

(Noel Davis – Love finds a Way)

'If we want to be always in God's company, we must pray regularly and read regularly. When we pray, we talk to God; when we read, God talks to us.'

St. Isidore of Seville, Patron Saint of the Internet



MARY MACKILLOP:

God is good and has brought light and help when all was very dark. 18.1.1899
God's work does not depend on any of us. 28.11.1898
I would advise all to trust more to God, and of course, prayerfully to seek God's guidance.
1.12.1898