

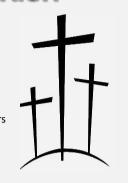
BOMBALA - DELEGATE CATHOLIC PARISH

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



4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 30th 31st January 2021 Prayer Intentions 'YEAR OF ST JOSEPH'

Pope's Intention: Human fraternity
May the Lord give us the grace to live in
full fellowship with our brothers and
sisters of other religions, praying for
one another, open to all.

We pray for more rain to combat the high temperatures and the drying winds.

God as we make decisions in our lives, we pray for your guidance and the strength to do your will.

We pray for those who are sick in our local community. May they be comforted by God's healing graces.

For our deceased loved ones and for all the faithful departed; may our prayers accompany them to the place that Jesus has prepared for them.

We pray for our Principal, staff and the students of St. Joseph's school who return for 2021 this week.

May the sick be comforted by our prayers: Heather Whitby, Sr. Elly Fogerty, rsj, Lorna Trevanion, Jen Farrell, Sue Robinson, John Vincent, Terry Perkins, Daryl White, Betty Cowell, Larry Bedingfield, Yvonne Murphy.

Remembering their faith and love:

Val Reid, Keith Moreing, Gwen Campbell, Brendan Ventry, Molly Davey, Toby Mustard, Merv Platts, Tori Finnane (nee O'Hare), Anthony Roberts, (anniv. 26/1), Gwen Adcock (anniv. 29/1), Val Buckley (anniv 3/2), Jean Muir (anniv. 9/2),

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

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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

Charity is the cement which binds Communities to God and persons to one another...
----St. Vincent de Paul

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

4th Sunday Ordinary Time Year B

Mon: St Brigid of Ireland

Tue: Presentation of the Lord

Wed: Mass 9.30 am Bombala

Thur: Sister Teresa to Delegate Funeral 12 noon St. Mary's

Fri: St Agatha

Sat: DELEGATE 6 pm Vigil Mass

Sun: BOMBALA 8 am Mass NIMMITABEL 10 AM Mass "The greatness of Saint Joseph is that he was the spouse of Mary and the father of Jesus"

LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS

We hope to continue these groups again this year. There is a sheet at the side entrance of Bombala church and if interested could you please add your name to it. The discussion will possibly be at 10 am Monday as is usual.

Books with the theme "COMFORT" have been ordered and contain a daily reflection/meditation. Should you not be able or not wish to join a discussion group, you might like to buy a book and use it at home for the daily reflection. Books have been ordered and will be distributed when they arrive. Should you have any queries, please phone Anna on 64585208.

Weekly Prayer Intention

For the nation of Australia, that all who dwell here, from its First Peoples to its most recent arrivals, will work together for a just society.

Daily Prayer Intention

For local networks of people responding to climate change, that their grassroots efforts will encourage the whole community to ecological conversion

FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD The pause that refreshes

There is a spiritual gift for us all in this time between the pre-Covid and the Covid-normal world to come.

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)

FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral for the late Val Reid will be held in St Mary's Church, Bombala at 12 noon on Thursday, 4th February

Prayer of the Faithful 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Celebrant: Jesus taught with authority and strengthened by his teaching, we ask God for what we need.

For Church leaders and people: that they may be open to new understandings of God's purposes for the Church and society. We pray to the Lord:

For all who hold public office: that they may make the needs of the poor a priority.

We pray to the Lord:

We pray for peace and cooperation among nations and for a just solution for the first peoples of this nation.

We pray to the Lord:

For parents: for wisdom and humility in their task of parenting and for blessings on the new school year. We pray to the Lord:

For those who are sick and have requested our prayers: may they know that God walks with them in their suffering bringing them peace and healing according to his will.

We pray to the Lord:

For those who have died, especially Toby Mustard, Val Reid and Keith Moreing: may they enjoy God's presence forever. We pray to the Lord:

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

Celebrant: Loving God, we give thanks for Christ, the good teacher.

Help us to be faithful to his message and grant what we need through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

PRAYER FOR CRITICAL COURAGE:

I ask the Spirit of Courage to give me the gift of courage, especially when I begin to lose heart in the face of huge lifestyle changes, loss of certainty and critical health care.

(Fr. Michael Hansen, SJ.)

NOTICE

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My Sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord:

I know them, and they follow me.

(John 10:27)

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.

A New Heart for a New World Watts/O'Brien 1985

Create a new heart, holy Lord,
Beckon our lives through your word
Open our eyes to your call
United as one for your world.
Heighten our minds to your thoughts
Heal us of pride and of hurt
May we go forth in your name
We pray our hearts change

The heart of the Cross, lowly and poor, calls us on. Lord, it is you promising hope, promising truth.

Restless the hearts who yearn for your peace in this land. Deepen the dream, justice brings life, justice redeems.

THE INTEGRITY OF JUSTICE

'That those who administer justice may work With integrity, and that the injustice which prevails In the world may not have the last word.'

STAMPS: Please keep your used stamps for the Josephite Peruvian Missions. 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.

Open my Eyes Jesse Manibusan

Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face. Open my eyes Lord, Help me to see.

Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice. Open my ears, Lord, Help me to hear.

Open my heart, Lord. Help to love like you. Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love.

I live within you, Deep in your heart, O Love. I live within you. Rest now in me.

Amazing Grace

John Newton

Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear, And Grace my fears relieved; How precious did that Grace appear The hour I first believed

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

PRAYER:

O God you raised up Mary MacKillop in your Church to found a Religious Order dedicated to the education of children.

May we, as members of the church today, be attentive to the children in our midst who receive no education and to those with little knowledge of their faith.

May we, like her, follow Christ the teacher as we preach the Gospel through our daily lives. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen

St. Mary of the Cross, teaching God's little ones, Pray for us.



MARY MACKILLOP:

We know God delights in being manifested through the weakness of others. 1871

Keep up your courage. We do not live here forever. 1890

We must look before us, do what we do well and refuse to undertake too much. 15.8.1900

In our unity under God lies our strength 10.8.1874



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

31 January 2021

First Reading Dt 18:15-20

I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."

Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.9

(R.) If today, you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

- Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
- Come in, let us kneel and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
- 3. O that today you would listen to his voice!

'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 7:32-35

The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A people in darkness have seen a great light:

a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 1:21-28

This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The word 'diabolical' comes from a Greek word referring to something broken in two, shattered. Looking at persons and societies torn apart, it is obvious that the diabolical spirit is powerful. However, it harbours a fear that a more powerful Holy Spirit could reintegrate a personality, could make a community out of divided groups.

'Have you come to destroy us?' indicates that this fear was realised in the coming on to the scene of Jesus Christ. Jesus' answer was a resounding 'Yes', not in words but in action, healing a man torn apart by a diabolical spirit.

Jesus Christ invites and empowers us to join in his healing mission to overcome whatever it is which tears people apart, whether at the individual, community or global levels. We do so in the confidence of His Resurrection which overcame the diabolical tearing apart of His body and soul.

We could pause for a moment to commit ourselves to joining Jesus' mission, so putting the fear of God into the devil!

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