



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

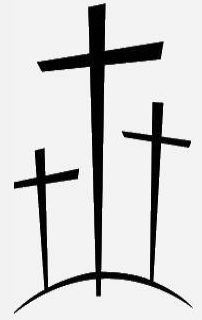
Schools 1866-1886 (privately Catholic), Bombala 1886, Delegate 1921

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



1st Sunday of Lent Year B
20th 21st February 2021

Prayer Intentions

'YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH' With a
Father's Heart

Pope's Intention:

Violence against women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

We pray for continued rain to ease our farming situation

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

We pray for all living with anxiety and the grief of family tragedy.

We pray for those living with anxiety and the grief of family tragedy and for those in our community who are sick.

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.

May the sick be comforted by our prayers: Mark Gaunson, John Vincent, Heather Whitby, Daryl White, Sr Elly Fogerty, rsj, Lorna Trevanion, Jen Farrell, Sue Robinson, Terry Perkins, 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'Har), Ron Cowell (anniv. 19/2), Penny Hassall (anniv. 20/2), Jean Parkes (anniv. 23/2), Brian Lock (anniv. 23/2), Sheila White (anniv. 27/2)

"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

'Christians are meant to be people of the resurrection believing, trusting, hope, and working for the possibility of change.'

(Fr. Chris Gleeson, 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



PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN EACH WEEK FOR MASS/LITURGY TIMES

1st Sunday of Lent Time Year B

Mon:

Tue:

Wed: Mass 9.30 am Bombala

Thur: Sister Teresa to Delegate

Fri:

Sat: Delegate 6 pm Liturgy of the Word & HC

Sun: Bombala 9 am Liturgy of the Word & HC

“The greatness of Saint Joseph is that he was the spouse of Mary and the father of Jesus”

LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS

The discussion group is being held in the Bombala Parish Meeting Room at 10 am each Monday.

All are most welcome to attend. ‘COMFORT’ books are available at \$5-00 each and please leave your money with Jan Farrell or the Vincents.

Weekly Prayer Intention

We pray for all who suffer exclusion based on race, religion, gender or disability, that the barriers to their full participation in society will be removed.

Daily Prayer Intention

We pray for church communities around the world. May they be centres of hospitality and healing open to all.

FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

We pray for all who are preparing this year’s Australian Plenary Council. May they fulfil their task with wisdom and great freedom of spirit.

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)

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.)

PROJECT COMPASSION

BE MORE

Your generous support of Project Compassion provides a brighter future for some of the world’s most vulnerable communities. Together, we can BE MORE!

Collection boxes are on the seats or in the porches, as are envelopes if you prefer them for each week.

Prayer of the Faithful

1st Sunday of Lent

Celebrant: Bringing our petitions before God, we ask for courage and perseverance in our observance of Lent.

For Church leaders: that they may be alert to the signs of the times and look for new ways to proclaim God’s reign to all the world. We pray to the Lord:

For all desiring to follow Christ closely: that they may be faithful to the values that reflect God’s word. We pray to the Lord:

For civil and political leaders: that they may resist the temptation of putting themselves before the service of their people. We pray to the Lord:

For those who are burdened by sickness or anxiety, for the poor, the homeless and the housebound: may they know God’s care and the help of those around them. We pray to the Lord:

When we are tempted by the seduction of power and material possessions, strengthen us to do your will and guide us through your Holy Spirit. We pray to the Lord:

For our deceased loved ones and for all the faithful departed: may they live forever in God’s presence. We pray to the Lord:

For Our Lady’s intercession for our special concerns: We pray: **Hail Mary...**

Celebrant: God of love, hear our prayers and open our hearts to conversion and grace. We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GIVING ORDERS

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, said at an ordination ceremony recently that *conferring holy orders did not mean that the ordinands should give orders. That works well in a military-style command structure. But this morning we are not invoking the Holy Spirit to create a command structure.* (Liturgy News)

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.

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*My Sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord:
I know them, and they follow me.*

(John 10:27)

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.

Hosea Weston Priory

Come back to me with all your heart.
Don't let fear keep us apart.
Trees do bend, though straight and tall;
So must we to others call.

*Long have I waited for your coming home to me
and living deeply our new life.*

The wilderness will lead you to your heart
Where I will speak.
Integrity and justice
With tenderness you shall know.

A Trusting Psalm Kevin Bates

*Lord, let your mercy be on us as we place our
trust in you*

The word of the Lord is faithfulness and love,
His love can never be measured.
His beauty is like nothing we have ever seen,
So let us place our trust in Him.

The word of the Lord means a patient, gentle God.
His love can never grow weary.
His mercy is as though our sins have never been,
If we can place our trust in him.

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.

(An item to think about, that we can relate to our
own lives and Community)

QUOTE FROM Archbishop Timothy Costelloe
SDB, ARCHBISHOP OF PERTH.

In his First Pastoral Letter for 2021, Archbishop
Costelloe said the challenge, and opportunity, of the
present lockdown is that it 'offers us a chance to put
into practice a basic truth of our identity'. "We will
be who and what God created us to be when, in the
face of suffering, of confusion, and of fear, we look
beyond ourselves to the needs of others and do what
we can to respond to those needs," Archbishop
Costelloe said.

"As we grapple with the ongoing repercussions of
the bushfires, and particularly of the lockdown, and
as we continue to make personal sacrifices for the
welfare of our wider community and society, it will
at times feel like the 'dying' of which Jesus speaks.
"But he has promised us that our sacrifices will
produce good fruit – and the Lord is always faithful
to his promises".

(Cath News)

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MARY MACKILLOP:

Try always to be generous with God. 14.1.1882

God loves courageous souls. 14.12.1890

To lack courage shows want of confidence in God and weak faith. 14.12.1890

Let us be entirely God's. 14.12.1890



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



First Sunday of Lent, Year B

21 February 2021

First Reading Gn 9:8-15

I will recall the covenant between myself and you...the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-9. R. see v.10

(R.) Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and
teach me:
for you are God my saviour. (R.)
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from
of old.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness,
O Lord. (R.)
3. The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who
stray,
he guides the humble in the right
path;
he teaches his way to the poor. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Pt 3:18-22

The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king
of endless glory!**

**No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from
the mouth of God.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king
of endless glory!**

Gospel Mk 1:12-15

He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The Rainbow is God's signature to a treaty with humankind. On God's part, material forces will never be sent to annihilate human beings as a punishment for wrongdoing. On our part, as humans made in the likeness of God, we are to image God's rainbow relationship to nature.

This is the Divine Treaty basis of our responsibility for the environment. We undertake not to engage in practices or support policies which could severely damage the fragile ecology which supports life on our planet. The deforestation of the slopes of the Himalayas, leading to floods which kill thousands, is a catastrophic example.

And, gazing at the rainbow, we can pray for our planet, for the human beings and all other creatures who inhabit it, and quite often for ourselves at a deep personal level. For we know that, just as after a storm and dark clouds, light penetrates the misty sky and the beautiful bow of colour appears, the same phenomenon can occur in our own lives.

We could take a moment to pray that the rainbow will appear, perhaps for ourselves, perhaps for others we know who are going through a stormy time.

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