



# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



**Parish Bulletin: 3rd Sunday of Easter - Year B - 18th & 19th April 2021**



*“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*



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*Please assist the team by having items in by  
Wednesday pm.*

*Items may come in by phone, note or email.*

### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL



Leader: Through the reality of Christ's presence among us, let us confidently make our needs known to our God.

That all members of the Church may proclaim with their lives the Gospel of the risen Christ: We pray to the Lord:

That the leaders of our country may fulfil their responsibilities in such a way that the needs of the most vulnerable are made a priority: We pray to the Lord:

Aware of Christ's presence among us, may we be peacemakers in our families and communities, in the Church and in the world. We pray to the Lord:

For the sick and suffering in our community and for their families: may they experience the reality of Jesus walking with them. We pray to the Lord:

In places of war and unrest, in places of persecution and helplessness and in places where the Corona virus is still spreading rampantly Risen Lord, bring help and new life to your people in distress. We pray to the Lord:

For young people as they discern what courses their lives should take may they be open to what the Holy Spirit is calling them to. We pray to the Lord:

For those who have died especially Bob Walder and all our loved ones may God give them new life in Christ. We pray to the Lord:

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

Leader: Loving God, hear our prayers and help us to see you in the ordinary things in our lives. We make this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.

### PARISH CALENDAR

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Mass Bombala 9.30am
Thursday	Sister Teresa to Delegate
Friday	
Saturday	Mass Delegate 6.00pm
Sunday	Mass Bombala 9.00am ANZAC Day

**NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE MASS NEXT WEEKEND INSTEAD OF LW & HC**

### MARY MACKILLOP

*God is merciful because He knows how weak we are 21.5.1877  
Take fresh courage. Lean more on God and less on ourselves. 21.5.1877  
Never be ashamed of work done for God and God's poor 3.5.1874*





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**Third Sunday of Easter, Year B**

**18 April 2021**

## First Reading Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

*You have killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.*

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7**

**(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.**

or:

**(R.) Alleluia.**

1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice;  
from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)
2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;  
the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)
3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say.  
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)
4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,  
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

## Second Reading 1 Jn 2:1-5

*Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.*

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.

We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments.

Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

## Gospel Acclamation See Lk 24:32

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:**

**make our hearts burn with love when you speak.**

**Alleluia!**

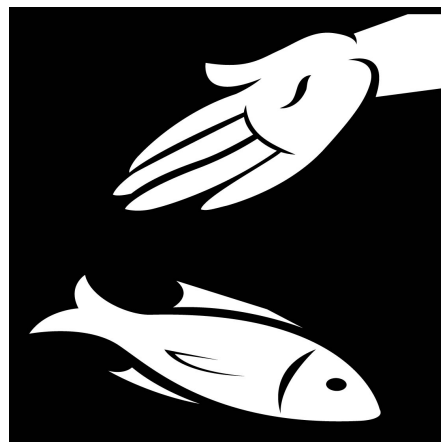
## Gospel Lk 24:35-48

*It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.*

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

When Jesus appeared to them, the disciples thought they were seeing a ghost, a sort of projection of a human image on the screen of the world but with no human depth and vitality. In fact, ghosts seem to drain life and warmth from those they encounter.

The disciples became convinced that they were in the presence of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ when he assumed a characteristic way of acting - sharing a companionable meal (of fish).

His bodily presence of *that* sort is now withdrawn from us. But we are now encountered by him in the Mass which has many dimensions, one of which is that of a sacred meal. When we share in the sacramental signs of his Real Presence in the Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink of Holy Communion, he brings us the life and warmth of the Risen Son.

In fact, he shares his very life with us, and because his life is gloriously fully human, we become less ghost-like as he heals those parts of our personality which drain goodness and vitality from the world.

We could take a moment to pray to take greater opportunities to share in the Real Presence of Our Risen Lord under the appearance of bread and wine. This will move us from the illusion of being alive to that vitality which is nourished by his glorified humanity.

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