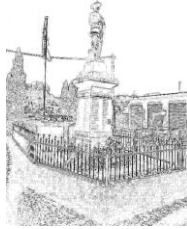


BOMBALA - DELEGATE CATHOLIC PARISH

Bombala

6am Dawn Service
at Cenotaph
11am
Commemoration
Service
March from Club
Bombala to
Cenotaph



Delegate

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March from
Cenotaph to
Memorial Gates

4TH Sunday of Easter Year B
24th & 25th April, 2021 ANZAC DAY
Prayer Intentions
'YEAR OF ST JOSEPH'
With a carer's heart
National Youth Week

Pope's Intention:

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS:

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

We pray for the Staff and students of our Parish School of St Joseph as they commence their Term 2 for 2021.

Please dear Lord send us continued rain to assist the farmers in their care of our land.

We pray for the sick and suffering in our community.

We pray that the issues related to the proposed closure of our Medical Centre may be resolved for the medical care of all in our towns and wider district.

We pray for those who have recently died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May the sick be comforted by our prayers:

Daryl White, John Vincent, Heather Whitby, Sr Elly Fogerty, rsj, Jen Farrell, Sue Robinson, Betty Cowell, Larry Bedingfield, Yvonne Murphy.

Remembering their faith and love:

Fr Phil Crotty SJ, Bruce Crannis from Temora, Anne Maslin, Mark Gaunson, Tori Finnane (nee O'Hare), Bob Walder, John Pereira.

Anniversaries:

Neil Ingram, Leila De Costa, Jill Knight, Joanne Joseph, Kate Vincent, Bob Cahill, Kerry Letts, Ellen Atkins, Joan Joshua.

"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.

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 of Easter Time Year B

Mon:

Tue:

Wed: Mass 9.30am Bombala
Feast St Peter Chanel

Thu: Sister Teresa to Delegate

Fri: Feast St Pius V

Sat: Vigil Mass 6pm Delegate

Sun: Mass 8am Bombala

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

We have not received this world's spirit; instead, we have received the Spirit sent by God, so that we may know all that God has given us."

(Corinthians 2:12)

Invest Your Marriage! Starting Tues 11th May

Bombala-Delegate Parish couples of every age and stage are warmly invited to join a 7 week course designed to strengthen your most important relationship. The Marriage Course, run via zoom by the Archdiocese, 7:15-9:30pm Tuesdays, starts May 11th. Participate together over a glass of wine from the privacy of your own home. Watch presentations with other couples but discuss content privately with your spouse.

The cost is \$70 including two workbooks.

Register for free 30min info session 7.30pm Tues 27th at bit.ly/TMCinfoflight

Register and pay for course at <https://bit.ly/TMCRegister>

General info at <https://themarriagecourse.org/>

Enquiries steph.ransom@cg.org.au



Pope Francis, to mark the 150th anniversary of the declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, has dedicated most of this year to St Joseph, whose feast day is 19 March.

ANZAC DAY

On ANZAC DAY we are reminded of the battles we have fought and continue to fight.

FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

Relearning the lessons of Anzac Day
We need to turn away from the chauvinistic view of Anzac Day as a celebration of self-attributed 'Australian values'.

Weekly Prayer Intention

We pray for all those whose lives are driven by anger and hatred, that their hearts be overcome by the power of love.

Daily Prayer Intention

We pray for countries still ravaged by unchecked COVID infections. May a just distribution of vaccines bring the disease under control.

POPE TO OLDER PEOPLE: GOD IS WITH YOU



To express the closeness of God and of the Church to every older person, Pope Francis has chosen "I am with you always" from Matthew's Gospel as the theme for the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The theme for the celebration on July 25 is especially appropriate "in those challenging pandemic times, said the announcement from the Dicastery for Laity, the Family and Life.

"I am with you always" is also a promise of closeness and hope that young and old can mutually share. Not only are grandchildren and young people called upon to be present in the lives of older people, but older people and grandparents also have a mission of evangelization, proclamation and prayer, and of encouraging young people in their faith," the statement said.

Pope Francis announced in late January that he was establishing the World day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which is to be celebrated each year on the 4th Sunday of July to coincide with the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents. Cardinal Keven Farrell, prefect of the dicastery, had said the annual event would be "a gift to the whole Church" and one that emphasises the pastoral care of the elderly as "a priority that can no longer be postponed by any Christian community".

(CATH NEWS)

Prayer of the Faithful: Anzac Day

Celebrant: On this national day of remembrance we bring our prayers before God for peace in ourselves, in our communities and in the world.

For Church leaders and pastors: that they may be graced to bring hope and consolation to those who have lost loved ones in war and persecution:
We pray to the Lord:

For political and military leaders: that they may be guided by the search for justice and peace in all their missions.
We pray to the Lord:

For those who have been prepared to sacrifice their young lives in the service of their country: may they be rewarded by the promises of the Gospel.
We pray to the Lord:

For those who carry the wounds and injuries of war in the service of their country: may they be given the recognition and help they need to lead meaningful lives.
We pray to the Lord:

For our own deceased loved ones and for all who have died in the service of protecting others and for John Pereira who died recently:
may they rest in peace: We pray to the Lord:

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

Celebrant: God of peace and justice, hear our prayer and increase in us the spirit of gratitude, generosity and compassion in Jesus' name. Amen.

RE-EMERGING WITH PURPOSE AFTER LOCKDOWN

By Paul Taylor (Liturgy News)

God is Here!

When disasters strike – whether they be natural occurrences, human atrocities or accidental tragedies – people inevitably ask: *Where is God in all this?* The question is certainly relevant in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic. According to St Augustine, God is really, though invisibly, present in the created world and in each of us, closer to us than we are to ourselves. God is present through the healing hands of those who care for patients, in the pastoral carer's who reach out to the elderly and the dying, and in the funeral ministry teams who assist grieving families to celebrate funeral rites with limited numbers. God's presence is also encountered in the Vinnies staff who provide charitable aid to the needy, and in those who have lost their jobs but continue to show love for one another.

Christ is present in the Church and its liturgical celebrations, in the sacrifice of the Mass, in the person of the minister, in the eucharistic elements, in the word proclaimed, and when the Church prays and sings. However, our experience of these sacramental presences has been compromised during lockdown. One of the challenges for the Church will be to strengthen the faith and prayer practices of Catholics in their homes. Traditional or contemporary morning & evening prayers, grace at meals, etc. The COVID crisis has forced Catholics to reassess their prayer lives.

BLEST BE THE LORD Dan Schutte

Blest be the Lord, blest be the Lord,
The God of mercy, the God who saves.
I shall not fear, the dark of night
Nor the arrow that flies by day.

He will release me from the nets of sinful men.
He will protect me from their wicked hands.
Beneath the shadow of His wings I will rejoice
To find a dwelling place secure.

I need not shrink before the terrors of the night
Nor stand alone before the light of day.
No harm shall come to me, no arrow strike me down,
No evil settle in my soul.

AMAZING GRACE

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.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
We have already come.
'Twas grace that brought us safe thus far,
And grace will lead us home.

ABIDE WITH ME

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens,
Lord with me abide! When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim,
Its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour; what but Thy grace
Can foil the tempter's power? Who like Thyself my guide
and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless; ills have no weight,
And tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where
grace Thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

BE NOT AFRAID

You shall cross the barren desert,
But you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety,
Though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words to foreign men,
And they will understand,
You shall see the face of God and live. **R**

***R: Be not afraid, I go before you always
Come, follow me and I will give you rest.***

If you pass through raging waters in the sea,
You shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
You shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the power of hell
And death is at your side,
Know that I am with you through it all. **R**



A preacher was completing a temperance sermon: with great expression he said, "If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river." With even greater emphasis he said, "And if I had all the wine in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river." And then finally, he said, "And if I had all the whiskey in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river." He sat down. The song leader then stood very cautiously and announced with a smile, "For our closing song, let us sing hymn # 365: "Shall We Gather at the River."



A QUOTE

Benefit of having schools attached to parishes is important and I would suggest critical. And the parishes embracing the schools as well (is important) because that is the future of our Church.



MARY MACKILLOP

Let us be joyful and thank God. 19.3.1874

*Let us humbly thank God alike for the trial and the blessing,
for the bitter and the sweet. 16.1.1875*

It is our good God who is our support and strength.

Bear your little trials with patience and love. Remember they come from God. 4.7.1876



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year B

25 April 2021

First Reading Acts 4:8-12

This is the only name by which we can be saved.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29. R. v.22

(R.) The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

or:

(R.) Alleluia.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men:
it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. (R.)
2. I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.
The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. (R.)
3. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord;
I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
for his love has no end. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Jn 3:1-2

We shall see God as he is.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him,

therefore it does not acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.**

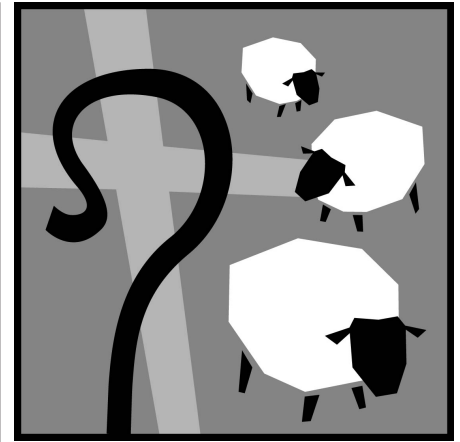
Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 10:11-18

The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:
the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.
The hired man, since he is not the shepherd
and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;
this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.
I am the good shepherd;
I know my own
and my own know me,
just as the Father knows me
and I know the Father;
and I lay down my life for my sheep.
And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold,
and these I have to lead as well.
They too will listen to my voice,
and there will be only one flock
and one shepherd.
The Father loves me,
because I lay down my life
in order to take it up again.
No one takes it from me;
I lay it down of my own free will,
and as it is in my power to lay it down,
so it is in my power to take it up again;
and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

In the regions where Jesus was an itinerant preacher, three or four flocks could be kept in a communal sheepfold for safety. In the morning, the shepherds would come and, as each called out, the sheep attuned to the sound of his voice would follow to life-giving pasture.

We are surrounded by hundreds of voices clamouring for our attention. We are bombarded by messages, social media incessantly chattering. Jesus invites us to get attuned to *his* voice, listening for the distinctive sound of it so that, even if it is faintly heard in a cacophony, we immediately turn toward it so that we can follow it in a life-giving direction.

How do we get attuned to that voice? By reading the gospels. A Chinese student once told me that the Chinese character for gospel is 'happy sounds'. I like the plural. Jesus' gospel voice is not a monotone but a polyphony sounding in different ways in different situations.

As disciples, we have to get onto the same wavelength as that voice so that we can echo it in our own lives. We become reverberations of Christ's voice in many different situations, helping him to lead others to life-giving pastures.

We could take a moment to pray for better listening so that we might recognise the gospel voice of Jesus Christ, especially at the moment of death. Then we may hear the one voice we need and long for: 'Today you will be with me in paradise.'

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