



# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



**Parish Bulletin: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 24th & 25th July 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*



## Prayer Intentions

**'YEAR OF ST JOSEPH'**

**With a carer's heart**

**WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS  
SPECIAL YEAR OF THE FAMILY**

### Popes Intentions:

#### Social Friendship

**We pray** that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

**We pray** for the principal, staff and students of St Joseph's Primary School as they commence Term 3, 2021. May it be an enriching time in many ways.

**We pray** for all grandparents, especially tomorrow on the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.

**We pray** for our Parish Priest, Father Mick and his assistant, Father Adrian, for their physical and spiritual wellbeing.

**We pray** for all in our community who are ill or infirm and those in our Aged Care residences.

**We pray** for an end to the pandemic which is affecting all of Australia and all those in the poorer countries of the world.

**We pray** for our deceased loved ones and for all the Faithful departed; may they rejoice in the blessings and happiness of God's Kingdom.

### May the sick be comforted by our prayers:

Moira Tindale, Joyce Cotterill, Heather Whitby, Jen Farrell, Betty Cowell, Larry Bedingfield, Yvonne Murphy, Margo Birmingham, Edna Reed, Ann Stokes.

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*Please assist the team by having items in by  
Wednesday pm. Items may come in by  
phone, note or email.*

## Parish Calendar

**Mon:** Feast Sts Joachim & Anne

**Tue:**

**Wed:** Mass 9.30am Bombala

**Thu:** Feast St Martha  
Sister Teresa to Delegate

**Fri:**

**Sat:** Feast St Ignatius Loyola  
Mass Delegate 5pm

**Sun:** Mass Bombala 8am  
Mass Nimmitabel 10am



## REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Myrtle Boate, Warren Haley,  
Sr Peter Chanel rsj, Daryl White,  
Sr Bede Hintz rsj, Sr Sylvia  
Markulin rsj, Shirley Baker, Anne  
Maslin, John Cusack (Canberra).

### Anniversaries:

Beryl Morgan, Valmay Lasker,  
Sr Bridget O'Halloran, Meryl Lock.

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

THOUGHT  
FOR  
THE  
WEEK

***We shall steer safely through every storm so long  
as our heart is right, our intention fervent,  
our courage steadfast,  
and our trust fixed firmly on God.  
Saint Frances de Sales***



Mary MacKillop

*Be eager in your desires but humbly patient in their accomplishment. 2.6.1867  
Reject no one. You never know what grace can do. 2.6.1867  
Really God is so good. 3.9.1878  
Be patient and work generously in the service of our Divine Lord. 3.3.1898*



*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 was 19 March.*



### FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

#### *The love that binds*

We pray for the peoples of Africa, that in lands ravaged by famine, drought and terror, humanitarian aid will keep their bodies and hopes alive.

### Weekly Prayer Intention

We pray for all who are called to a life of contemplation and prayer, that they will bless the world with wisdom and love.

### Daily Prayer Intention

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### THE FEAST OF SAINT MARY OF MAGDALA

In every generation women have and continue to faithfully and generously respond to the call to serve God and God's holy people – offering their gifts to the mission and ministry of the Church.

This past week on July 22, the Feast of Saint Mary of Magdala, women gathered to tell their stories and name their contributions as we seek a Church that is truly enlightened and alive with the God-given gifts of each member.

### ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL NEWS (From the REC's desk)

Have you seen our new video? There are a lot of misconceptions about how Religious Education is taught in Catholic Schools. We hope this video helps you to capture our approach here at St Joseph's. Head to our Facebook page to watch our students and staff in action.

[www.facebook.com/stjosephsprimarybombala](http://www.facebook.com/stjosephsprimarybombala)

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** will be celebrated on Wednesday, 25th August. Times TBA.

### Prayer of the Faithful: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time B

**Leader:** With confidence in God's love we bring before the Lord our needs in the Church and in the world.

For the Church: that it may be formed and reformed in the fire of your love. **We pray to the Lord:**

For confidence in God's abundant providence: may we be conscious of God's goodness to us in providing food and shelter. **We pray to the Lord:**

For Leaders of nations and governments: may they be courageous and inspired in providing the best care for their people in this time of pandemic. **We pray to the Lord:**

For all in need, for the sick members of our community, for communities suffering immense tragedies of loss of lives and belongings across the world, and for those dying alone: Come to their aid Lord through the kindness of your people. **We pray to the Lord:**

For all who have died especially Aileen Smyth (Bombala '55-'58: Sr Peter Chanel), Myrtle Boat and Warren Haley: may they rest in eternal joy. **We pray to the Lord:**

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

**Leader:** Loving God, hear our prayers and open our eyes to your presence that we may be instruments of your care and kindness to all whom we meet. We make this prayer in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

*Thank you*



Our Parish Community wishes to thank Tom Kennedy for his generous contribution to our Liturgical celebrations over a number of years as an Acolyte. Tom feels with his age and a few medical issues it is time to step back. He has been a very faithful and regular part of our Parish worship. **THANK YOU, TOM.**



*Mrs Smart was fumbling in her purse for her offering when a large television remote fell out and clattered into the aisle. The curious usher bent over to retrieve it for her and whispered, "Do you always carry your TV remote to church?" "No," she replied, "but my husband refused to come with me this morning, and I figured that as well as leaving the TV on the women's fashion channel this was the most evil thing I could do to him legally."*

## ST JOSEPH'S CONVENT & SCHOOL DELEGATE



A centenary celebration to commemorate the arrival of the Sisters of St Joseph and opening of the school in Delegate in 1921 will be held on **Sunday 17th October 2021**.

Proposed agenda at this stage:-

10:00am Prayers at Delegate Cemetery  
10:30am Centenary Mass at St Joseph's Church  
12:00 noon light luncheon at St Joseph's School Centre

Copies of photos etc. for our history display and any help or assistance would be greatly appreciated.

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## SCC WOOD RAFFLE

One truck load of seasoned wood; \$5 per ticket and all funds raised go towards the construction of new safe storage for the kids' sports equipment. Winner drawn Friday 27th August, 2021 and kindly sponsored by Forestry Corporation. Anna Vincent will have tickets for sale.

## DELEGATE MASS/LITURGY SATURDAYS



Delegate Vigil Mass & Liturgy, Saturday gatherings will be at 5pm until the end of August

## Looking Back Catholic Press Sydney 21 Dec 1922 ST JOSEPH'S CONVENT BOMBALA

On Tuesday evening, December 12, the annual ball in aid of the Sisters of St Joseph was held in Kennedy's Public Hall. In order to make the ball a huge success, the parish priest, Father John A Roche, organised a grand spectacular commotion ceremony to take place at 10pm when Mr Stanley Bede Clatworthy, of the Australian Arms Hotel, was crowned king of Bombala.

The coronation was carried out on an elaborate scale, gorgeous costumes being hired for the occasion. Close on 300 people were present in the hall, carloads coming from all the outlying districts. The principals taking part in the coronation were Cardinal Archbishop of Bombala, Most Rev J Turnbull; Bishop of Cathcart, Right Rev E Elliott, Bishop of Bibbenluke, Right Rev J Leonard; Lord Mayor of Bucky Springs, Hon NF Smith, Lord Chancellor, Hon Paul Vider; Field Marshal Sir Charles Graham; Admiral of the Navy, Sir Harry Tracey; Inspector of Police, Sir Harry Head; Queen of Rocky Hall, Miss Eileen Stewart; Queen of Mila, Miss Hilda Clatworthy; Countess of Crankies Plain, Miss Josie Stewart.

A large number of returned soldiers, courtiers and assistants, made the ceremony very picturesque, and the local convent funds will benefit considerably by the novel entertainment. Father Roche, at the close of the coronation ceremony, thanked all present for their attendance in making the ball such a big success. He stated that the number of Catholics in Bombala were very small in number, and at a glance all the men taking part in the coronation would reveal the fact that all were non-Catholics with the exception of three. Father Roche expressed his personal gratitude and thanks to those of other denominations for the kindly feeling they had always for him during the whole of his six years in charge of Bombala. The ceremony closed with the singing of the National Anthem.



## AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS URGED TO CELEBRATE OLDER PEOPLE

Pope Francis announced earlier this year that July 25 will be celebrated as World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. In his message for the World Day, with the theme "I am with you always", Pope Francis said older people, even if "energy is running out", have a "renewed vocation". "It makes no difference how old you are, whether you still work or not, whether you are alone or have a family, whether you became a grandmother or grandfather at a young age or later, whether you are still independent or need assistance", he wrote.

"Because there is no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to your grandchildren. You just need to set out and undertake something new." Archbishop Peter Comensoli said: "At a time of great challenges through this pandemic, we might look to our elders, neighbours and friends for their encouragement and wisdom in finding pathways through difficult times." "In honouring them, we honour their lives and journeys, and open up a richness of experience to draw from." "The World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly gives the Church a chance to more deeply celebrate the role older people have played in forming us as people and as believers."

(CATH NEWS)

## BOMBALA-DELEGATE CATHOLIC PARISH - IN THE MONARO MISSION Country of the Bidwell, Ngarigo and Yuin people

The first Catholics arrived in the area from 1826 as assigned servants (convicts). Scottish, Irish and later German immigrants built up the presence from 1833. Father Patrick Newman was the first resident priest in 1864. Prior to this, priests travelled from Queanbeyan and Cooma. Churches were built in Bombala 1867 & 1942 (St Mary's), Delegate 1877 & 1915 (St Joseph's), Cathcart 1878 (St John's) and Corrowong 1894 (St Peter's). Schools opened in 1866-1886 (privately Catholic), Bombala 1886 and Delegate 1921. In 1888 the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart North Sydney (St Mary MacKillop) arrived and have provided continuous ministry for 133 years. Monaro & South Coast Parishes were transferred from the Sydney Archdiocese to Goulburn Diocese in 1917 and to the Archdiocese of Canberra-Goulburn in 1948. Our first priestly vocation was Fr Ernest Baragry who was ordained as a Missionary of the Sacred Heart in 1941. Delegate was a Parish in its own right from 1954-1972. 2008 saw the welcoming of the World Youth Day Cross & Icon and the Consecration of St Mary's Church Bombala following repairs and restoration. St Joseph's Church Delegate celebrated its Centenary in 2015.





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**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**

**25 July 2021**

## First Reading 2 Kgs 4:42-44

*They will eat and have some left over.*

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 144:10-11, 15-18. R. v.16**

**(R.) The hand of the Lord feeds us;  
he answers all our needs.**

1. All your creatures shall thank you,  
O Lord,  
and your friends shall repeat their  
blessing.  
They shall speak of the glory of your  
reign  
and declare your might, O God. (R.)
2. The eyes of all creatures look to you  
and you give them their food in due  
time.  
You open wide your hand,  
grant the desires of all who live. (R.)
3. The Lord is just in all his ways  
and loving in all his deeds.  
He is close to all who call him,  
who call on him from their hearts. (R.)

## Second Reading Eph 4:1-6

*There is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.*

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

## Gospel Acclamation Lk 7:16

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.*

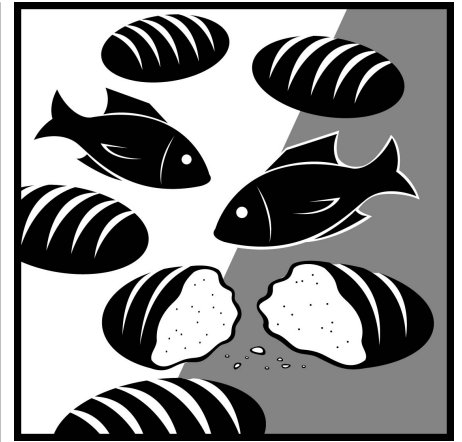
*Alleluia!*

## Gospel Jn 6:1-15

*He distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted.*

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The disciples fell into the verbal trap which Jesus set. They believed that market forces should dictate how the hunger of the crowd could be satisfied. It was a young lad who put the disciples to shame, simply handing over five barley loaves and two fish to Jesus. It was because of his generosity that Divine generosity was able to feed the crowd.

Divine desire to satisfy the hungers of humanity for the various necessities of life (food, shelter, companionship, education, medicines) require human generosity. Otherwise, Divine Compassion cannot be effective in the world.

Voluntary renunciation of property and sharing of wealth still occurs in the little oases of monasteries and convents, echoes of the radical redistribution of wealth recorded in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 4:32-35). St Luke makes it clear that this was essentially linked to the Apostles' testifying to the Resurrection 'with great power'.

Francis of Assisi and now Francis of Buenos Aires remind us that the Church itself needs to engage in the redistribution of its wealth to enable the hungers of humanity to be satisfied. This will give authenticity to its preaching of the Gospel, and enable its evangelising to be undertaken 'with great power'.

We could take a moment to pray that we become more like the little boy in the Gospel, more like Francis of Assisi, more like Francis of Buenos Aires, voluntarily sharing our wealth to satisfy the hungers of humanity.

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