



# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



**Parish Bulletin: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 1st August 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**

**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 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.*

**THOUGHT  
FOR  
THE  
WEEK**

***My grace is all you need,  
For my power is strongest  
When you are weak.***

**2 Corinthians 12:9**

## Parish Calendar

**Mon:**

**Tue:**

**Wed:** Feast St John Vianney  
Mass 9.30am Bombala  
Celebrating St Mary MacKillop

**Thu:** Sister Teresa to Delegate

**Fri:** Transfiguration of Our Lord

**Sat:** Delegate 5pm LW & HC

**Sun: FEAST ST MARY OF THE  
CROSS MACKILLOP**  
Bombala 9am LW & HC



## REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Lou Joseph, Myrtle Boate, Warren Haley, Sr Peter Chanel rsj, Daryl White, Sr Bede Hintz rsj, Sr Sylvia Markulin rsj, Shirley Baker.

### Anniversaries:

Martin Page, Laura Elton, Natalie Ingram, Beryl Morgan, Valmay Lasker, Sr Bridget O'Halloran, Meryl Lock.

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



**Mary MacKillop**

*I am full of hope in God who has been so good to us all. 28.11.1898  
It is by love that God has always led me, by love that God reproves me,  
by love that God lets me see love in all. 15.7.1873  
May God help me to do what is right. 3.03.1898  
God is good and has brought light and help when all was very dark. 18.1.1899*



*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

### *Wisdom starts here*

Wisdom is acknowledging life as it is, neither living in the past nor wishing our time away for some different future.

## Weekly Prayer Intention

We pray for the volunteers who staff soup kitchens and food banks in local communities, that their service of the needy will be a labour of love.

## Daily Prayer Intention

We pray for the countless people around the world burdened with constant food insecurity. May nations work together to deliver them life-saving nourishment.

## 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](https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsprimarybombala)

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

## DELEGATE MASS/LITURGY SATURDAYS



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

## Prayer of the Faithful:

### 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time B

**Celebrant:** Strengthened by God's word, we bring before the Lord our needs and the needs of people everywhere.

For Pope Francis, the College of bishops and all Church leaders: that they may be courageous in responding to the needs of the Church through the forthcoming Plenary Council.

**We pray to the Lord:**

For leaders of nations and governments: that they may be courageous and inspired in providing the best care for their people in this time of pandemic.

**We pray to the Lord:**

For all Christians: that they may know that our deepest hungers can only be satisfied by attention to things of the Spirit.

**We pray to the Lord:**

For the sick members of our community and for all impacted by the spread of the Corona virus across the world: walk with them Lord and bring them healing and protection.

**We pray to the Lord:**

For all who live with anxiety, for the lonely and friendless, for the sick and the dying and all who care for them: comfort them by your grace and presence in the compassion of loved ones.

**We pray to the Lord:**

For those who have died especially Lou Joseph and Warren Haley: may they experience peace and reconciliation in God's presence.

**We pray to the Lord:**

For Our Lady's intercession for our personal concerns:

**WE pray: Hail Mary...**

**Celebrant:** Loving God, accept our petitions and our thanks for your coming to us in the person of Jesus and nourishing us with the Bread of life.

We make this prayer in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

## LET ME GIVE

I do not know how long I'll live, But while I live, Lord, let me give.  
Some comfort to someone in need, By smile or not – kind word or deed.  
And let me do what e'er I can, To ease things for my fellow man.  
I want naught but to do my part, To "lift" a tired or weary heart.  
To change folks frowns to smiles again, Then I will not have lived in vain.  
And I'll not care how long I'll live, If I can give.... and give... and give.

**a love worth living for.**

*reminders that you are loved*



*A man appeared before St Peter at the pearly gates. "Have you ever done anything of particular merit?" St Peter asked. The man said, "Well, once I came upon a gang of blokes who were threatening a group of young people. I approached the largest and most heavily tattooed bloke and smacked him on the head, kicked over his bike, ripped out his nose ring, and threw it on the ground. 'Now leave them alone!' I yelled." St Peter was impressed: "When did this happen?", "About 5 minutes ago." the man replied.*

### **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.

### **Looking Back - Delegate Argus 19 November 1942 ANNUAL CATHOLIC BAZAAR DELEGATE**

The Annual Catholic Bazaar in aid of St Joseph's Church Delegate, was held in the School of Arts on Saturday 14 November 1942. As usual, it was a most encouraging success and gratifying to all concerned.

The stalls were artistically arranged and decorated, some of them presenting designs both beautiful and new; and the stock of goods which appeared on those stalls announced to all that "this is a land of milk and honey".

The stalls were - Jumble Stall - The Children, helped by Mesdames WJ Ingram, M Casey, HJ Walker & Jim Cottrell. Refreshments Stall - Mesdames M Thornton, JG Stewart, V Crotty, GM Reed, J Ingram, JT Stokes, D Ryan, B Jones, Mr & Mrs R Stewart, Mr T Oliver, Misses Freda and Joan Stewart, Josie Jones, Betty Crawford & M Bates. Sweets Stall - Miss A Campbell & Miss M Russell, assisted by Mrs A Clarke, Mrs JW Manning, Mrs B Armstrong & Misses June & Fay Clarke. Produce Stall - Misses T Jones, S O'Hare, K Stewart & Mrs V Clear. The raffles were won as follows Cushions, Barbara Bates. Table Centre, Father Griffin. Wallet, Pte JT Walker. Hamper, Mrs M Casey. Ham, Mr Barney O'Mara. Sweets, Mr Ron Stewart. Cakes, Mr JR. Walker, Miss Jean Morris, & Mr Jack Armstrong. Wallet (No 2) Mr Roy Coote. Christmas Hamper, Mr HJ Walker. Vases, Margaret Black. Toy Dog donated by Miss Turton, Sister M Dorothea. Safety Razor (donated by Mr Mudie), Mr Colin Bruce. Dinner, Mrs G Alam. Picture, Mr Jack Bowtell. Box of soap, Winsome Morrison. Sheep, Mr M Smith & Mr R Stewart (weight, 93lbs.).

In addition to the sum of £103/18/4 taken on the night of the bazaar, stallholders and assistants had already realised the sum of £99/14/2 by socials, parties, etc. making a total of £203/12/6 (or \$15,501.21 in 2021). This is exclusive of donations received for various furnishings, fittings, etc. in the Church.

It is anticipated that the Annual Catholic Ball on Friday, 20th inst. will be a notable success and a very happy function. This year the ball is being held for the support of the Sisters of St Joseph of the local Convent.

### **DID JESUS KNOW HIS GRANDPARENTS?**

Little is definitely known about Sts Joachim and Anne, and whether they survived to see their grandson, Jesus Christ. It's easy to forget that Jesus had grandparents. One of the reasons for that is because they don't appear in the Bible and their lives are rather obscure. What we do know is found in a pious text from the year 145, called The Protoevangelium of James. It names Jesus' grandparents as "Joachim and Anne", and the Church celebrates their lives on July 26 each year.

#### **Did Joachim and Anne live to see Jesus?**

It appears that Jesus' grandparents do not have any age assigned to them nor are they recorded as having died. Anne is described as being infertile, mourning the inability to have children. Since she is mourning her barrenness, it is possible this went on for years. The story obviously draws upon other biblical stories of infertility, implying that they may have been older when they conceived Mary, the mother of Jesus. Some historians claim that the average lifespan in ancient Israel would have been 40, meaning that Joachim and Anne may have died before they saw Jesus. (*Spirituality by Aletea*)



### **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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### **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.





# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



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

**1 August 2021**

## First Reading Ex 16:2-4, 12-15

*I will rain bread from heaven upon you.*

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.'

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."' And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24**

**(R.) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.**

1. The things we have heard and understood,  
the things our fathers have told us,  
we will tell to the next generation:  
the glories of the Lord and his might. (R.)
2. He commanded the clouds above  
and opened the gates of heaven.  
He rained down manna for their food,  
and gave them bread from heaven. (R.)
3. Mere men ate the bread of angels.  
He sent them abundance of food.  
He brought them to his holy land,  
to the mountain which his right hand had won. (R.)

## Second Reading Eph 4:17, 20-24

*Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.*

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were

taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

## Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

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

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel Jn 6:24-35

*Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.*

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,  
you are not looking for me  
because you have seen the signs  
but because you had all the bread you  
wanted to eat.

Do not work for food that cannot last,  
but work for food that endures to eternal  
life,  
the kind of food the Son of Man is offering  
you,  
for on him the Father, God himself, has set  
his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,  
it was not Moses who gave you bread from  
heaven,  
it is my Father who gives you the bread  
from heaven,  
the true bread;  
for the bread of God  
is that which comes down from heaven  
and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered:

'I am the bread of life.  
He who comes to me will never be hungry;  
he who believes in me will never thirst.'



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Some religions, and even strands of Catholicism, try to suppress appetites in order to achieve some 'out-of-this-world' liberation. But appetites are good things, telling us what we humans need as bodily, social, spiritual beings. They provide a reality check against our tendency to think that salvation is exclusively about the soul.

Our appetites for food and drink, for affection and companionship, for the truth about the Big Picture of our life journey, need to be satisfied or we disintegrate in various ways.

Our Lord Jesus Christ proclaims in today's Gospel that He is the total satisfaction of our deepest human appetites: 'I am the Bread from Heaven which gives life to the world.'

That 'Life' is nothing less than participation in Divine Life, existing in the Big Picture in the way God intended. That is the nourishment offered not to a particular tribe or ethnic group, but to the whole of humanity, indeed to the whole of creation.

We could take a moment to pray for faith to recognise that the bread brought up at the Offertory is truly transformed: no longer short term food like manna in the desert, but 'the Bread of Life', the Real Presence of the One who nourishes our humanity, indeed who gives Life to the world.

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