



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C, 18 MAY 2025



PARISH VISION STATEMENT 2004



"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."

St Mary's Bombala
St Joseph's Delegate
St Peter's Corrowong

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



Welcome Prayer for Our New Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV
Heavenly Father, we thank You for Pope Leo XIV, whom You have chosen to shepherd Your Church. Grant him wisdom, courage and compassion, that he may lead with faith and humility. May the Holy Spirit guide his every word and deed, and Christ be ever at the centre of his heart. Strengthen him to serve the poor, unite the faithful and uphold truth in a divided world. Bless him, O Lord, now and always. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



PRAYER INTENTIONS



We pray for all those in our community who are unwell. May they find strength, comfort, and healing, and may they recognise

the loving presence of Christ beside them in their time of need.

Roma Brownlie, Jenny & Ron Chaplin, Peter & Joyce Reed, John Caldwell, Glad Hurley, Noah Ingram, Barbara Brownlie, Sr Margaret Maloney, Marilyn Holdsworth, Terry Perkins, Kath Farrell, Val Perkins, John Elliott, Jim Parkes, Patricia Guthrie, Jen Farrell, Kim Peisley, Heather Whitby, Peter Hopkins, Harry & Mary Anne Dillon, Marlene Kennedy, Tom Kennedy.



PARISH CALENDAR

Fr Kose will be away all week for Clergy Assembly at Galong.

TUE Saint Bernardine of Siena

WED Saint Christopher
Magallanes & companions

THU Saint Rita of Cascia

SAT LW& HC Delegate 5pm

Our Lady Help of Christians



SUN LW&HC Bombala 9am



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Pope Francis

May Anniversaries

Sr Dominica Bampton
Kay Bedingfield, Kitch Cottrell
Ena Crawford, Ted Crawford
Mae Elliott, Harold Farrell
Sr Bede Hintz, Winnie Ingram
Betty Lomas, Sr Irene McCormack
Peter Perkins, Kathleen Reed
Mary Smith, Oscar Thompson
Melrose Thornton, Daryl White



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



"The way we communicate is of fundamental importance: we must say 'no' to the war of words and images, we must reject the paradigm of war."



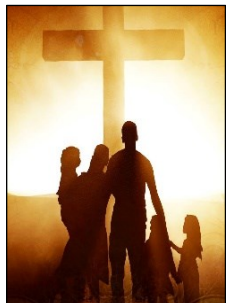
A journey with
SAINT MARY
of the Cross
MACKILLOP



The cross appears lighter when carried with Jesus. (3.5.1874)
Bear in mind that you have only to answer for your own faults. (21.5.1874)
God will draw good out of evil. (3.5.1874)
Pray to be ever ready for God's will even when it takes you by surprise. (25.5.1880)
Birth of Maggie MacKillop, 25.5.1843.



The Feast of Mary Help of Christians, celebrated on May 24, honours the Virgin Mary's intercession in historic Christian victories, notably at Lepanto (1571), Vienna (1683), and the return of Pope Pius VII in 1814. Instituted as a feast by Pope Pius VII in 1815, it became central to the mission of St John Bosco and the Salesians, who promoted devotion to Mary and the Eucharist. Don Bosco's prophetic dream in 1862 depicted Mary Help of Christians as a guiding force for the Church amid trials. In Australia, Mary Help of Christians is honoured as the Patroness of the nation, with deep devotion fostered by Salesian missions and Catholic tradition.



FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

In the everyday moments, in the beauty of nature, in acts of kindness, and in quiet reflection, we discover that God is not distant but ever present, woven into the very fabric of our lives.

Daily Prayer Intention - We pray for all the baptised in Christ, that whatever their state of life they will recognise it as a vocation of service and shared humanity.

Weekly Prayer Intention - We pray for world leaders, that they will honour the memory of Pope Francis by taking to heart his ardent appeals for the earth, the poor, and migrants and refugees.



CELEBRANT/LEADER: Dear friends, blessed by Jesus' parting gift to us – his new commandment of love – let us hold the world in our hearts as we pray in the power of his Spirit.

READER: For Pope Leo XIV that the Holy Spirit will endow him with all the wisdom, courage, insight and holiness he needs to guide the church's mission to the human family. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For all who dwell on Earth, that the 10th anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato si'* will call them anew to care for creation and the poor. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the Catholic community in Australia, that Saturday's Solemnity of Our Lady, Help of Christians, will draw everyone together in renewed faith and mission. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For young Australian men, that they will learn from fine role models to treat women with respect and never resort to coercion or violence. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

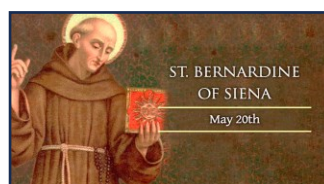
For the multitude of children who have been uprooted, maimed or orphaned by war, that a merciful end to hostilities will give them a chance to recover from their trauma. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the sick among our parish community and for all who have sought our prayers, may they find strength comfort, and healing. For those who have recently passed from this life and those whose anniversaries we commemorate at this time. May they be lifted to the glory of the Risen Lord and rest in eternal peace. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For Our Lady's intercession for all our needs and especially for the people in war torn places. We pray **Hail Mary...**

CELEBRANT/LEADER: God of everlasting glory, you make all things new in Christ. Fill our hearts with joy and send us forth as apostles of love. We ask this through Christ, our risen Lord.

AMEN



Saint Bernardine was the son of the governor of Siena. He was orphaned at age six and was brought up by his aunt.

He became a Franciscan friar at the age of twenty two and travelled all over Italy, preaching several sermons a day to large crowds. He is remembered for his devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus. At the end of his sermons he would hold up for veneration a plaque on which he wrote IHS - the Greek translation of 'Jesus'. Through his preaching, Bernardine was responsible for a vast number of conversions to Christianity. In 1437 he became the vicar-general of the Observant branch of the friars, during which time the number of Observants rose tenfold due to his popularity. After establishing theology schools for the friars, he returned to his favourite task of preaching at the age of sixty three, but died a year later on the May 20.



Invitation to all from the
Anglican Parish of Southern Monaro

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

Bombala Golf Club

Thursday 22 May 2025 6pm

Please RSVP by 19 May to

Judy Holdsworth 0428 827 810

Guest speakers: Bishop Mark & Monica

Bring a friend or two !

1. City Of God *Dan Schutte*

1. Awake from your slumber, Arise from your sleep
A new day is dawning, For all those who weep
The people in darkness, Have seen a great light
The lord of our longing, Has conquered the night. **R**
Refrain: Let us build the city of God, May our tears
Be turned into dancing, For the Lord
Our light and our love, Has turned the night into day.

2. We are sons of the morning, We are children of day. The
one who has loved us, Has brightened our way. The lord of
all kindness, Has called us to be A light for his people, To
set their hearts free. **R**

2. Strong and Constant *Frank Anderson*

1. I will be Your God who walks with you!
You will be always in my hand!
Take your heart and give it all to me!
Strong and constant is my love! Strong and constant is my love!
2. Should you wander far away from me
I will search for you in every land!
Should you call then you will truly know
Strong and constant is my love! Strong and constant is my love!
3. When you know sorrow within your life
I will come I will embrace your heart!
Through your pain you will discover Me!
Strong and constant is my love! Strong and constant is my love!

3. Prayer of St Francis *Various*

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me
bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, And where there's
doubt, true faith in you.
Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life,
let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, only light, And where there's sadness,
ever joy.

**Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek,
So much to be consoled as to console.
To be understood as to understand.
To be loved as to love with all my soul.**

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are
pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born
to eternal life.

4. Companions On The Journey *Carey Landry*

**Refrain: We are companions on the journey, breaking bread
and sharing life; and in the love we bear is the hope we share
for we believe in the love of our God, we believe in the love
of our God.**

1. No longer strangers to each other, no longer strangers in God's
house; we are fed and we are nourished by the strength of those
who care, by the strength of those who care. **R**
2. We have been gifted with each other, and we are called by the
Word of the Lord: to act with justice, to love tenderly, and to walk
humbly with our God, to walk humbly with our God. **R**

LOOKING BACK 68 YEARS AGO Opening of New St Joseph's Presbytery at Delegate 12 May 1957

A large crowd, including visitors from Bombala, attended the blessing and opening of Delegate's new St Joseph's Presbytery by Right Rev Monsignor McKenna, of Cootamundra. A most attractive blue painted weatherboard cottage with red metal tiled roof, it comprises two bedrooms, living room, dining room, sunroom and kitchen. It was built by Barry Jones and bears the mark of careful and excellent tradesmanship. Fr Fitzgerald in his opening remarks announced the complete cost as £3,600 (approx \$140,000 in 2025) of which all but £900 had been raised. Fr Downey, of Barellan, who had relieved for some months in this parish, made the appeal and the response was most gratifying, over £600 being subscribed in the afternoon. Amongst the visitors on the platform were Rev Mons McKenna, Fr J Downey (Barellan), Fr O'Shea (Candelo), Fr Coffey (Cooma), Fr M Quinn (Young), Fr Bartley (Bombala), Fr. H Byrne, Councillors W Jeffreys and A Wright Rev R Saunders. Mr Tom Wolfe and Mr C O'Hare spoke on behalf of parishioners. Later all were entertained to a magnificent afternoon tea by the ladies of Delegate.



† BLESSED AND OPENED †
BY
RT REV MGR J.J. MCKENNA, P.P., V.E.,
COOTAMUNDRA
SUNDAY 12TH MAY 1957.
REV. D. FITZGERALD, PASTOR.

(In 1973 the Presbytery was repurposed as St Joseph's Convent until December 1980.)



**Remember when people had
Diaries and got mad when
someone read them?
Now they put everything online
and get mad when people don't.**

**A lot of women say their husbands
never listen to them. I am proud to say
I've never heard my wife say that.**