



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, 1 September 2024



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



PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION SEPTEMBER

For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



We pray for the people of Australia, that we will share a common determination to sustain a society that is hospitable, compassionate, fair and just.

We pray for our parish community, that together we will take the word of God to heart and put it into practice.

We pray for Christian communities who are deprived of the Eucharist due to the absence of an ordained minister. May the Church's reform address their deep longing for the Bread of Life, ensuring that no soul is left spiritually hungry.

We pray for God's healing grace to touch those who are sick within our family, friends, parish and community. May they be surrounded by His comforting light, finding peace and strength to persevere through their difficulty, and may they feel His love and grace during this time of need.



Betty Callaway, Marilyn Holdsworth, Noah Ingram, Joyce Reed, Tom Nunan, Terry Perkins, Kath Farrell, Val Perkins, Chris Cuttle, Barbara Brownlie, Harry & Mary Anne Dillon, Jim Parkes, Jen Farrell, Heather Whitby, Marlene Kennedy, Kim Peisley, John Elliott, John & Anna Vincent, Patricia Guthrie, Tom Kennedy, Peter Hopkins, Larry Bedingfield, Danielle Hurley.



PARISH CALENDAR

MON
TUE Saint Gregory the Great
WED Mass Bombala 9.30am
THU
FRI Spring Ember Day
SAT LW&HC Delegate 5pm
SUN LW&HC Bombala 9am

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



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Margaret Ralphs, Barry Milliner

September Anniversaries

John Bates, Toby Black
Kevin Casey, Marge Casey
Angela Clear, Millicent Crotty
Elizabeth II, Jack Elton
Eva Eppelstun, Ben Ingram
Sr Margaret Keane RSJ
Maud Kilmartin
Sr Loretta Kilmartin OLSH
Kathleen Mulligan, Cheryl Mustard
Rita Rayner, Julia Reed
Darcy Ryan, Maurice Stevens
Carmel Thompson, Jack Thornton



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



“In revealing and in reliving on earth the very fatherhood of God, a man is called upon to ensure the harmonious and united development of all the members of the family.” Saint John Paul II



A journey with
SAINT MARY
of the Cross
MACKILLOP



God loves those best who help the weak become whole. (2.9.1906)
Bear with the faults of others as you hope God will bear with you. (2.9.1906)
God is our Father and He loves us all in spite of all our faults. (4.9.1906)
Let the gentle Sacred Heart be your model. (9.3.1890)
Birth of Annie MacKillop, 5.9.1848.

September – The Seven Sorrows of Mary



September is dedicated to the Seven Sorrows of Mary, a devotion that traces its origins to the twelfth century. This practice began in monastic circles, significantly influenced by St Anselm and St Bernard. The devotion was initially promoted by the Cistercians and later by the Servites, gaining widespread popularity in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, particularly in the Rhineland and Flanders. During this period, Confraternities of the Sorrowful Mother emerged, and the first liturgical texts honouring Mary's sorrows were composed. A pivotal moment in the history of this devotion occurred in 1423, when a provincial council in Mainz established the "Feast of the Sorrows of Mary." This feast was intended as an act of reparation for the Hussite desecration of Marian images. The feast later appeared in Bruges in 1494, where the Precious Blood of Christ was venerated, and it gradually spread to France. However, it was not until Pope Benedict XIII included it in the Roman Calendar in 1727, assigning it to the Friday before Palm Sunday, that the devotion became widespread in France.

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.

Daily Prayer Intention - We pray for all who are preparing to take part in the Paralympics in Paris, that they will inspire the world with their skills, courage and fellowship.

Weekly Prayer Intention - We pray for the diverse family of Christian churches, that the day will soon come when all will be free to eat and drink together at the Lord's table.



Prayer of the Faithful

Response: (R)

Lord, hear our prayer



CELEBRANT/LEADER: Dear friends, the saving word that God has planted in our hearts impels us to care for one another. Let us open our hearts in prayer for all who are in need.

READER: For Pope Francis, that he will sow seeds of hope and solidarity throughout his missionary visit to our northern neighbours, Indonesia, Timor Leste, Papua New Guinea and Singapore. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers and all father figures, that Father's Day will be an occasion of joy and thanksgiving, and wherever necessary, forgiveness and healing. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

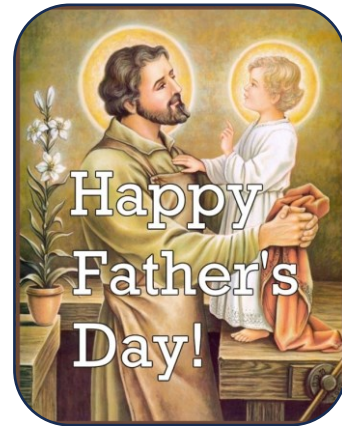
For those fathers who have died but live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For residents in aged care facilities and hospitals, that for the rest of their lives they will be looked after with respect, kindness and compassion. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the sick of our parish and for all who have asked for our prayers. We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they be raised up to be with the Risen Lord. 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 all wisdom and love, you shed the light of your word deep in our hearts. Draw us forth from the shadow of sin and death to walk always in your light. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **Amen**



FATHERS DAY PRAYER

Bless all fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers and all father figures as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience, give them ability to love in a way that reflects your love. Support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation. Amen

LOOKING BACK 86 YEARS AGO Golden Wedding Anniversary Tubbut

A large gathering of friends and relatives celebrated the Golden Wedding of Mr and Mrs JH Ingram, at their Tubbut Homestead on the 5th of November 1938. The venerable couple were married in St Mary's Catholic Church Bombala, on 5th November 1888. During the evening, the Rector Fr Keating baptised two of their grandchildren, the son and heir of Donald Ingram and the youngest daughter of Cecil Ingram. Those present included the following members of the family: William (Delegate), Harold (Cabanandra), Gladys (Mrs Gilchrist, Kiama), Bert (Sydney), Statia (Mrs W Clark, Sydney), Cecil (Cabanandra), Reginald (Bonang), Eileen (Mrs Taylor, Cabanandra), Maude (Mrs A Clark, Sydney), Geo (Bonang), Ida, (Mrs Burgess, Tumberumba), Don, Roy and Wallace (Tubbut) and Joyce (Mrs J Richardson, Mila). Arthur (Goulburn) was unable to obtain leave and an apology for him was presented.



Four men are in the hospital waiting room because their wives are having babies. A nurse goes up to the first guy and says, "Congratulations! You're the father of twins."

"That's odd," answers the man. "I work for the Sydney Twin Towers!" A nurse says to the second guy, "Congratulations! You're the father of triplets!" "That's weird," answers the second man. "I work for the 3M company!" A nurse tells the third man, "Congratulations! You're the father of quadruplets!" "That's strange," he answers. "I work for the Four Seasons hotel!" The last man is groaning and banging his head against the wall. "What's wrong?" the others ask. "I work for 7 Up!"

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1. Here I Am Lord *John Michael Talbot*

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry,
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save
I have made the stars of night, I will make their darkness
bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I
send? **R**

**Refrain: Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord? I have heard You
calling in the night. I will go, Lord, If You lead me, I will
hold Your people in my heart**

2. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and
lame, I will set a feast for them, My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide, 'Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them, Whom shall I send? **R**

2. A Trusting Psalm *Kevin Bates*

**Refrain: Lord let your mercy be on us
as we place our trust in you.**

1. The word of the Lord is faithfulness and love.
His love can never be measured.
His beauty is like nothing we have ever seen,
so let us place our trust in him. **R**

2. The word of the Lord means a patient, gentle God.
His love can never grow weary.
His mercy is as though our sins have never been,
if we can place our trust in him. **R**

3. The Fullness of God *Fr Frank Andersen*

1. Deep in Christ I pray you know the power He can give.
May your hidden self-grow strong and may you live,
Strong in faith and built on love, until you know –
How high and long, how wide and deep, the fullness of God

2. May the God of Jesus Christ, the Father we serve
Fill your minds that you may see, deep in your heart
What hope his call now holds for you,
His promise true, to fill your hearts with power to live,
the fullness of God.

4. Sing A New Song *Dan Schutte*

**Refrain: Sing A New Song Unto The Lord;
Let Your Song Be Sung From Mountains High.
Sing A New Song Unto The Lord, Singing Alleluia.**

1. Yahweh's People Dance For Joy.
O Come Before The Lord,
And Play For Him On Glad Tambourines,
And Let Your Trumpet Sound. **R**

2. Rise, O Children, From Your Sleep;
Your Saviour Now Has Come.
He Has Turned Your Sorrow To Joy
And Filled Your Soul With Song. **R**



NEWS FROM ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

On Tuesday, August 6, members of the Catholic Education Commission visited St Joseph's School. Year 6 students acted as ambassadors, guiding the visitors through the school. The guests, including the Director of Catholic Education, Mr Ross Fox, were impressed by the quality of teaching and learning across all grades. Mr Fox noted how advanced the Kindergarten students were, particularly in their understanding of digraphs.

Dr Patrick McArdle, the Vicar of Education, expressed his gratitude in a follow-up message, highlighting the school's strong mission focused on "Grace and Justice." He praised the students' ability to confidently engage with adults and commended the passionate, professional staff. He also noted the evident rapport between students and teachers and the focused learning environment. Dr McArdle concluded by emphasising the happiness of the students, reflecting the strength of the St Joseph's School community.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

**We, the Parish
of Bombala-Delegate,
acknowledge with deep respect that we
stand upon the traditional lands of the
Bidwell, Ngarigo and Yuin peoples.**

**We recognise the enduring
legacy of their culture, which
continues to enrich the life and
spirit of Australia.**



Planned Giving Envelopes Available at Bombala Church

Two sets of Planned Giving envelopes, numbered 3 and 8, are now available in the side porch of the Bombala Church.

If you would like to participate in the Planned Giving program by using these envelopes, please notify Father Mark or Father Kose at your earliest convenience. Your contributions are greatly appreciated and help support the ongoing work of the parish.



The new Mass schedule for the Monaro Mission is as below.
For the Bombala-Delegate Parish, Bombala will receive an additional Mass on the 4th Sunday at 9.00am.
No change for Delegate at this stage, one Mass per month on the 3rd Sunday at 8.00am.

THREE PARISHES TOGETHER - MASS/LWHC SCHEDULE - UPDATED AUGUST 2024

WEEK	ADAMINABY	BERRIDALE	BOMBALA	COOMA	DELEGATE	JINDABYNE	NIMMITABEL	NUMERALLA
1		LWHC Sun 10am	Mass Sat 5pm	Mass Sun 10am	LWHC Sat 5pm	Mass Sat 5pm	LWHC Sat 5pm	
2	Mass Sun 9am	Mass Sat 3.30pm	LWHC Sun 9am	Mass Sun 10am	LWHC Sat 5pm	Mass Sat 5pm	LWHC Sat 5pm	LWHC Sun 5.30pm
3		LWHC Sun 10am	Mass Sun 10am	Mass Sun 10am	Mass Sun 8am	Mass Sat 5pm	Mass Sat 5pm	
4		Mass Sat 3.30pm	Mass Sun 9am	Mass Sun 10am	LWHC Sat 5pm	Mass Sat 5pm	LWHC Sat 5pm	Mass Sun 5.30pm
5		LWHC Sun 10am	LWHC Sun 9am	Mass Sun 10am	LWHC Sat 5pm	LWHC Sat 5pm	Mass Sat 5pm	



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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

1 September 2024

First Reading Dt 4:1-2, 6-8

You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you – keep the commands of the Lord.

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart. (R.)
2. He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)
3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the
innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

Second Reading

Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Be doers of the word.

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

Gospel Acclamation Jas 1:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,
that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.*

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

You forget the commandments of God and hold on to human tradition.

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me.

The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'



Reflection by Greg Sunter

No matter how good the intention, sometimes misguided principles can lead to false action. This is what Jesus chastised the Pharisees about. The traditions that had been established through the Pharisees and the Lawyers were certainly based on the Law as stated in the Torah. However, the practices that had been established to try to help people honour the Torah had effectively replaced the Law. In order to maintain spiritual cleanliness, a tradition of physical cleanliness had emerged – particularly around interaction with Gentiles and around eating. However, the purpose of the tradition had become lost. The need for physical cleanliness had replaced the maintenance of spiritual cleanliness.

The Pharisees observe some of the disciples eating without properly washing their hands and challenge Jesus about it. They are upholding the tradition that has effectively become the Law. Jesus reminds them – somewhat forcefully – that these external practices are not the Law; rather the Law is observed internally. Jesus goes so far as to call the Pharisees hypocrites. It is a criticism of them that the gospel writers attribute to Jesus quite frequently. For Jesus, hypocrisy was one of the greatest failings. Because Jesus placed such a high price on integrity of word and action he could not abide those who proclaimed to be just, pious or forgiving and yet acted in ways that were contrary to these claims. His chastisement of the Pharisees – calling them hypocrites – was a challenge to their observation of external practices and rituals instead of seeking to understand the Torah as a call to a change of heart. Jesus points out that no amount of ritual cleansing will make a person clean within. Similarly, evil and uncleanness come from within a person – one doesn't 'catch it' from contact with strangers.

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