



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, 10 November 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

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



PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION NOVEMBER

For anyone who has lost a child



We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

We pray for all who manage the church's assets and finances, that they will ensure these material resources are put to best use for the sake of the Gospel.

We pray for gambling addicts and problem gamblers, that strong action to limit gambling advertising will give them a chance to regain control over their lives.

We pray for the hungry, thirsty, homeless and needy, that they will be loved as neighbours and not treated as strangers.



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.

Glad Hurley, Joanne Jamieson, Amy Talbot, Sr Margaret Maloney, Marilyn Holdsworth, Noah Ingram, Joyce Reed, Terry Perkins, Kath Farrell, Val Perkins, Chris Cuttle, Barbara Brownlie, Jim Parkes, Patricia Guthrie, Harry & Mary Anne Dillon, Jen Farrell, Heather Whitby, John Elliott, Marlene Kennedy, Kim Peisley, Tom Kennedy, Peter Hopkins, Larry Bedingfield, Danielle Hurley.



PARISH CALENDAR

MON Saint Martin of Tours
Remembrance Day



TUE Saint Josaphat
Opening St Joseph's School Bombala 1.30pm

WED Mass Bombala 9.30am
THU Requiem Mass 11am
John Vincent

Burial Bibbenluke Cemetery
FRI Saint Albert the Great
SUN Mass Delegate 8am

Morning Tea to follow in St Joseph's School Centre
Mass Bombala 10am



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

John Vincent, Kay Pagden

November Anniversaries

Rita Black, Jenny Moser-McCarron
Terry Peisley, Bert Rayner
Charlie Reed, Geoff Stewart
Margaret Sutor,
Sheila Tiernan, Christine Walker



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



Let us honour Australian service personnel who have died or suffered in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.



A journey with
SAINT MARY
of the Cross
MACKILLOP



Don't fret: you have done your best. (14.11.1898)

God's will be done. (10.11.1898)

Mary MacKillop receives a letter from Cardinal Franchi conveying the Josephite Constitution; Central Government confirmed by Rome, 1874.

Birth of Julian Tenison Woods, London, 15.11.1832.



NOVEMBER

THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS

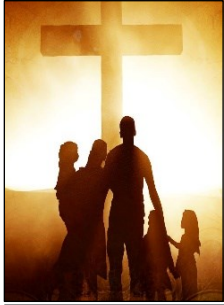
PRAYER MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Heavenly Father, in union with the merits of Jesus and Mary, I offer to You for the sake of the poor souls all the satisfactory value of my works during life, as well as all that will be done for me after death. I give You my all through the hands of the Immaculate Virgin Mary that she may set free whatever souls she pleases, according to her heavenly wisdom and mother's love for them. Receive this offering, O God, and grant me in return an increase of Your grace. Amen.

FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

Remembering the dead

In Christian faith
Christ offers life after death
to all those who have faith in him.



Daily Prayer Intention - We pray for those who have died and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will forever delight in God's beauty and goodness.

Weekly Prayer Intention - We pray for the unsung saints who care for neighbours and strangers alike with whole-hearted love, that their humble goodness will further the reign of God.



Prayer of the Faithful

Response: (R)
Lord, hear our prayer



CELEBRANT/LEADER: Dear friends, Jesus chose to become poor for our sake, to make us rich out of his poverty. Blessed by his love, let us pray for everyone to know and enjoy God's bounty.

READER: For Pope Francis, that his call for us to rediscover the love and compassion of the heart of Jesus will animate the healing mission of the church. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the dioceses and parishes of the Australian Church, that the reflections and recommendations of the Synod on Synodality will be taken to heart and put into practice. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For parents and teachers guiding children through the maze of social media, that they will help them distinguish wisely between what is useful and what is harmful. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the staff and volunteers of humanitarian agencies working in theatres of war, especially in Ukraine, Sudan and the Middle East, that their safety under international law will be fully protected. 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: Almighty God, your Son did not cling to his equality with you but became like us, even unto death. Give us the freedom to pour out our lives in love as he did. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **AMEN**

HYMNS - ONE LICENSE 3642645A

1. Come to the Water *Frank Andersen*
Refrain: Come to the water! You who are thirsty!
Though you have nothing, I bid you come!
And be filled with the goodness I have to offer!
Come! Listen! Live.

1. Why spend your money on what cannot fill
The emptiness deep in your heart?
Listen to My word and you will enjoy
Goodness and peace in your heart! **R**

2. Just as the heavens are high above earth;
My ways and thoughts beyond you!
Call me your Father and know I am near!
I will be Father to you! **R**

2. Seek Ye First *Karen Lafferty*

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

2. Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

3. Man shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds out from the mouth of God.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!



MASS AT DELEGATE MPS & LW&HC

Much thanks to Father Mark who has agreed to hold Mass at the Delegate MPS monthly. The first Mass will be held on Wednesday 27 November 2024 at 11am. Please note that From 1 December 2024, LW&HC will move from 5pm to 6pm for the duration of the summer months.

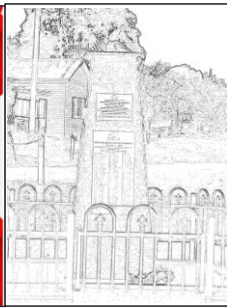
We aspire for our church to be a lasting beacon of faith and community, enduring for generations to come, reaching even our grandchildren's grandchildren.



VALE JOHN VINCENT

We are deeply saddened by the passing of John last Sunday, just seven weeks after the loss of his beloved wife, Anna.

May they now rest together in eternal peace. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to their family during this challenging time. John and Anna's contributions to our Parish were immeasurable; their dedication, warmth and service created a profound impact that will be dearly missed. As we hold them in our thoughts and prayers, we also pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us in honouring the legacy they have left behind. May their memory continue to inspire and strengthen our parish community.

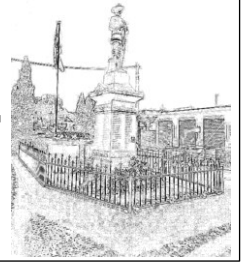


REMEMBRANCE DAY

11 NOVEMBER 2024

Delegate Cenotaph 10.45am

Bombala Cenotaph 11.00am



REMEMBRANCE DAY: WHY WE REMEMBER ON 11 NOVEMBER

The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month – Remembrance Day – is a time to not only remember those who have given their lives in service, but also to reflect on the historical events that led to this day of international significance. Originally announced to mark the anniversary of the Armistice that ended fighting with Germany in World War I (WWI), Remembrance Day today gives us all the opportunity to acknowledge the service personnel who died while serving, whether in wars, conflicts or peacekeeping operations.

SIGNATURES THAT ENDED FOUR YEARS OF CONFLICT

At 5am on 11 November 1918 in a railway carriage in France, representatives of France, Britain and Germany all signed a document that would put an end to four years of conflict. Six hours later – at 11am – those signatures would bring into effect the Armistice that ended WWI. Across the world, people rejoiced and celebrated the news, including in Australia. Despite the late hour of the day, school, fire station and church bells around the country rang, waking hundreds of people to share the news that war was over. Alongside the excitement, there was also a notable sense of loss and grief. More than 60,000 Australian soldiers had made the ultimate sacrifice, more than 150,000 had been wounded or taken prisoner and some 23,000 soldiers were missing. Very few Australian families did not have some link to the war effort. It would take another six months of negotiations before the Treaty of Versailles was signed in June 1919 and for exhausted troops to return home to their loved ones. For many, despite returning home, they never truly left the horror of the battlefields behind.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE SPARKS TRADITION

On the first anniversary of the Armistice (11 November was known as Armistice Day until after WWII), King George V asked all the people of the British Empire to observe two minutes' silence at 11am. It's a tradition still honoured today during Remembrance Day services as we remember all who have served in the Australian Defence Force, in WWI and in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations since. The Remembrance Day minute of silence was formalised in Australia in 1997 by Governor-General Sir William Deane, who issued a proclamation declaring 11 November to be Remembrance Day and urging all Australians to observe one minute of silence at 11am on 11 November each year. Today, we encourage all Australians to attend a service and honour those who have served. If you can't make it to a service, it's easy to set a reminder in your calendar, switch your phone to 'do not disturb' and pause for one minute to remember. It's a simple action that means so much.

REMEMBER TO COMMEMORATE

Hundreds of poignant services will take place across the country this Remembrance Day to honour the veterans in local communities. If you can't attend a service, there are other ways to commemorate Remembrance Day. You can pause for a minute's silence wherever you are or watch the service online. What matters most is that we Remember to Remember. Remember those who gave their life in service of their country, those who served and came home injured or ill, and those who bravely serve today.



THE MEN FROM SNOWY RIVER

The "Men from Snowy River March" was an iconic event during World War I that reflected the patriotism and resilience of rural Australia. In January 1916, men from the Snowy River district in New South Wales marched from Delegate, near the New South Wales and Victorian border, through Bombala and other towns, to Goulburn, covering over 500 kilometres on foot. This "Snowy River" region, immortalised by Banjo Paterson's poem *The Man from Snowy River*, was rugged with high country terrain that shaped the tough, independent spirit of those who lived there.

The march and others like it also reflected the unique culture of Australia at the time. These men were seen as embodying the "bush ethos" - strong, resilient, loyal and willing to make sacrifices for their mates and their country. Their legacy continues to be honoured in Australia as a testament to the spirit and contribution of rural Australians in times of national challenge.

LEST WE FORGET



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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

10 November 2024

First Reading 1 Kgs 17:10-16

The widow made a little scone from her flour meal and brought it to Elijah.

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives', she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent,
jug of oil shall not be emptied,
before the day when the Lord sends
rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 145:7-10. R.v.2

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who sets prisoners free. (R.)
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord who protects the stranger. (R.)
3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading Heb 9:24-28

Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;

the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Alleluia!

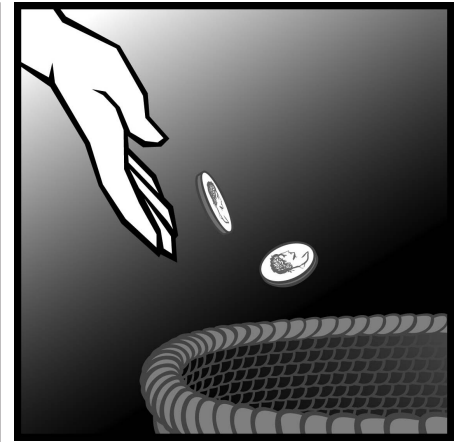
Gospel Mk 12:38-44

or (shorter form Mk 12:41-44)

This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'



Reflection by Greg Sunter

We would normally hear or read the second half of this week's gospel as a stand alone example of generosity and faith - often without the section that immediately precedes it. Whilst the actions of the widow are certainly worthy of comment, when we read it in the context of the condemnation that immediately precedes it, the widow's offering is placed in a different light. Jesus condemns the scribes who parade their wealth and seek trappings of earthly power and glory: being recognised and greeted as they walk the streets; taking the front seats in synagogue; and expecting to be seated in the place of honour at banquets. Whilst parading their wealth and feasting at banquets, they are also swallowing up the property of widows - taking advantage of those in need. We often hear widows and orphans named in the scriptures as those in need. Widows and orphans (and strangers in the land) are marked out for special attention in the Torah. They are named as deserving of special care - the lost and broken of society. So despite holding a special place in Jewish Law and tradition, the widows are being taken advantage of by the scribes, who are taking over their property for their own gain. One of the duties of the scribes was to administer the proper payment of Temple taxes. The treasury referred to in the passage is the Temple treasury. Rather than a great act of generosity, we can now see the widow's payment of Temple tax as a burdensome, heart-wrenching obligation to pay the very last coins she had to a corrupt, uncaring system. We usually read praise into Jesus' comments about the widow's offering, but it can also be read as moral outrage at the system that demands this woman pay all that she possesses to the Temple.

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