



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN: 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C - 13 FEBRUARY 2022



“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



Popes Intention **We pray for Religious sisters and Consecrated women**

We pray for these women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

We pray for PEACE in our World, especially in the Middle East and Russia/Ukraine.

We pray for all in our community who are unwell, especially those afflicted with the Coronavirus.

We pray for our Principal, Mrs Tighe, staff and the students of St Joseph's school who have returned for the 2022 year.

We pray for our deceased loved ones and for all the faithful departed, may our prayers accompany them to the place that Jesus has prepared for them

God as we make decisions in our lives, **we pray** for your guidance and the strength to do your will.

May the sick be comforted by our prayers:

Audrey Day, Mike Spence, Nola White, Therese Rumph, Judy Periera, Michael Platts, Libby McGruer, Moira Tindale, Edna Reed, Betty Cowell, Joyce Cotterill, Jen Farrell, Carmel Croker, Heather Whitby, Larry Bedingfield, Yvonne Murphy, Margo Birmingham.

Prayer of the Faithful Word of God Sunday

LEADER: Encouraged by Jesus' words, we bring our needs before our God.

READER: For the Church, that its people may always be ready to reach out to those whom society abandons. *We pray to the Lord.*

For Government leaders: that they make peace and reconciliation a priority and share their resources unselfishly in this time of pandemic. *We pray to the Lord.*

For parents and grandparents; that they may be blessed in the love, care and example they give their children. *We pray to the Lord.*

For ourselves: that we take Jesus as our model of being inclusive of others, of acceptance, of tolerance and of healing. *We pray to the Lord.*

For the sick in our community, including those with Covid, and for those who are grieving; may they be blessed with healing and comfort. *We pray to the Lord.*

For our deceased loved ones, especially Jenny Hobson, Jimmy Peck, Les Hite, Peter Woelfle and George Cotterill, and for all the faithful departed; may they live forever in God's presence. *We pray to the Lord.*

For Our Lady's intercession for our special needs. We pray....**Hail Mary**....

LEADER: Healing God, in Jesus you stretch out your hand to the outcast and offer the hope of new life. Hear our prayers and help us to proclaim your mercy to all through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**



PARISH CALENDAR

Wed: Mass Bombala 9.30am

Sun: Mass Delegate 8am
Mass Bombala 10am



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Jimmy Peck, George Cotterill, Peter Woelfle, Les Hite, Jenny Hobson, John Verrell, Sr Janet Mead rsm, Sue Robinson.

February Anniversaries

Val Buckley, Sonia Clear, Ron Cowell, Jak Cuttle, Penny Hassall, Brian Lock, Jean Muir, Marion O'Hehir, Jean Parkes, Keith Parkes, Daphne Smith, Sheila White.

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

PRAYER FOR THE PANDEMIC:

Loving God, we ask your continuing protection for all now that our nations has begun opening up. We especially pray for the most vulnerable, the aged, those with underlying health issues and those who cannot have the vaccine. Keep us all responsible and safe. We also pray for the front-line medical personnel as they care for those with the virus.

*We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord
Amen*

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The value of life does not depend upon the place we occupy. It depends upon the way we occupy that place.

Saint Theresa of Avila

ARCHDIOCESAN PROTOCOLS

Unfortunately, current Archdiocesan Protocols for both NSW & ACT advise that whilst music is permitted and encouraged to enhance the Liturgy, singing is not permitted until further notice.

GIVING ORDERS

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, said at an ordination ceremony recently *“Conferring holy orders did not mean that the ordinands should give orders. That works well in a military-style command structure but we are not invoking the Holy Spirit to create a command structure.”* (Liturgy News)



**ST MARY
OF THE CROSS
MACKILLOP**



*It is harder to have to think ill of others than to be the one thought ill of. 22.11.1871
Have a pure heart and be faithful. 1871
Keep up your courage. We do not live here forever. 1890
Let your motto be: God alone, God alone for all of us. 1873*



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First Reading Jer 17:5-8

A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,
who relies on things of flesh,
whose heart turns from the Lord.
He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:
if good comes, he has no eyes for it,
he settles in the parched places of the wilderness,
a salt land, uninhabited.
'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord,
with the Lord for his hope.
He is like a tree by the waterside
that thrusts its roots to the stream:
when the heat comes it feels no alarm,
its foliage stays green;
it has no worries in a year of drought,
and never ceases to bear fruit.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 1:1-4. R. Ps 39:5

(R.) Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

- Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked;
nor lingers in the way of sinners
nor sits in the company of scorners,
but whose delight is the law of the Lord
and who ponders his law day and night. (R.)
- He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season
and whose leaves shall never fade;
and all that he does shall prosper. (R.)
- Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they like winnowed chaff
shall be driven away by the wind.
For the Lord guards the way of the just
but the way of the wicked leads to doom. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20

If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And

what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad;

your reward is great in heaven.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 6:17. 20-26

Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor: yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Blessed are the poor? – the hungry? – those who mourn? What is Jesus doing in these Beatitudes?

Jesus was not a 'pie in the sky' dreamer saying: 'You are destitute, hungry now. Don't worry, you will be okay in paradise in the long distant future.' *That* would be a cruel celestial joke.

Rather, Jesus was setting about the task of creating a new sort of society, the Kingdom of God on earth, in which the destitute, the starving, the weeping, are *blessed* in the sense that they can expect their suffering to be alleviated, companions to be found in their distress.

The Divine imperative is that His followers break out of their comfort zone of plenty of money, full stomachs, much to laugh about. They must enter into the harsh reality of other people's destitute, starving, weeping lives. Woe to them if they do not.

Can Our Lord look into the heart of each one of us living in our comfortable world, and then with confidence turn to that *other* world and recite the Beatitudes?

We might pause for a moment, recognise that Jesus' credibility is on the line, and pray that His Father's will be done on *earth* as it is in Heaven.

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