



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN, 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C, 13 JULY 2025



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Response:(R) Lord, hear our prayer

LEADER: Dear friends, Jesus bids us love our neighbour as we love ourselves. With hearts open to all those around us, let us pray for a new world of care and compassion.

READER: For the church, that in our war-torn world it will be a vibrant sign of the Christ in whom all things have been reconciled in peace. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For innocent civilians forced to flee for their lives from hostile attack on their nation, that they will find safe shelter and be able to return home without delay. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For our global neighbours cruelly deprived of their daily bread, that the world community will unite in sharing its abundance with them.. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For unheralded Good Samaritans who care for the needy with no thought of recognition or reward, that they will be blessed for their humble goodness. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For our parish and school community, that we will all encourage one another to love God and neighbour with all our heart, mind, soul and strength. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the sick of the parish and for all who have asked for our prayers. For the recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries we recall at this time. May they rejoice in the fullness of life promised to them as faithful followers of Jesus. 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...**

LEADER: God of heaven and earth, your Son Jesus lived among us as neighbour to all. Set our hearts free to love as he loved. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **AMEN**



PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION JULY For formation in discernment



Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

We pray for all people of good will, that the example of their inclusive neighbourly love will testify to our shared humanity and help dissolve division.



We pray for our sick family members, friends and fellow parishioners. May the soothing presence of God's light grant them healing and solace.

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



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Harry Dillon, Sr Christina O'Connor
Bernie Crotty, Lorna Trevanion
Shirley Garnock

July Anniversaries

Beatrice Abrahams
Kevin Bedingfield, Shirley Bedingfield
Brian Callaghan, Vincent Clear
Stanley Collins, John Cusack
Claude Elliott, Jack Eppelstun
Kevin Ingram, Lou Joseph
Gwen Kimber, Val Lasker
Meryl Lock, Fr Barney Lynch
Jean Manning, Beryl Morgan
Sr Bridget O'Halloran
Bryan O'Hehir, Martin Page
Judy Periera, Janie Roberts
Graham Rumph, Bert Smith
Peter Stewart, Jean Talbot
Jim Walker, Emily Williams



PARISH CALENDAR

MON *Saint Camillus de Lellis*
TUE *Saint Bonaventure*
WED **Mass Bombala 9.30am**
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
SAT **Mass Delegate 3.30pm**
Mass Bombala 5pm
Subject to availability of priest.
If no priest then LW&HC

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1. Praise To The Lord

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation! Come all who hear, Now to His altar draw near; Joining in glad adoration!

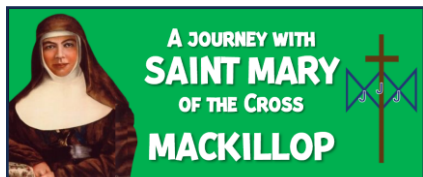
Praise to the Lord, who shall prosper our work and defend thee, Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend us. Ponder anew, what the Almighty can do, Who with His love will befriend us.

2. 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**



Let not weakness make you discouraged.
(4.7.1876)

*Marriage of Flora and Alexander
MacKillop, Melbourne, 14.7.1840*

Thank you!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who lent a hand, baked a treat or stopped by - your kindness made our street stall for Vinnies a true community success!



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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

13 July 2025

First Reading Dt 30:10-14

Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. R. see v.33

**(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need,
and you will live.**

1. This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
2. As for me in my poverty and pain
let your help, O God, lift me up.
I will praise God's name with a song;
I will glorify him with thanksgiving. (R.)
3. The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy
and does not spurn his servants in their
chains. (R.)
4. For God will bring help to Zion
and rebuild the cities of Judah.
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;
those who love his name shall dwell there. (R.)

or Ps 18:8-11. R. v.9

Second Reading Col 1:15-20

All things were created through him and for him.

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers – all things were created through him and for him.
Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body, he is its head.
As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation See Jn 6:63. 68

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!**

Gospel Lk 10:25-37

Who is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The lawyer asked a self-serving question: 'Who is my neighbour?' He could then set the limits, the boundaries of those close enough to merit his concern. Jesus replies with a story to show that the better question is: 'To whom should I be neighbourly?'

The answer is: To any person who is wounded in any way – physically, psychologically, socially, economically. And we have to do so overcoming the labelling, even bigotry, which can conveniently put a person outside the range of our concern. When we act like the Samaritan, we deserve the title 'Catholic' which means universal.

Pope Francis said that Christ is constantly inviting us, as he invited Thomas, to touch His wounds which are to be found in the wounded of our own time.

We could pause for a moment to thank God that we live in an age of technology which can enable us to be truly Catholic global citizens practising Mercy Without Borders. 'Do this and you will live.'

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