



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year A, 14 May 2023



**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.

HAPPY Mother's Day



PRAYER INTENTIONS



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For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

We pray for all mothers on this Mother's Day. May their unconditional love for their families reflect the love that comes from the Spirit.

We pray for all expectant mothers: that they receive the care and support they need in preparing for the safe birth of their babies.



We pray that the Risen Christ may heal the sick and comfort all who are afflicted in any way, particularly in our own families and parish:

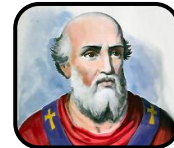
Kim Peisley, Jan Farrell, Natalie Lestone, Val Perkins, Samantha Deans, Jim Parkes, John Caldwell, Merilyn Knight, Jen Farrell, Tom Kennedy, Patricia Guthrie, Peter Hopkins, John Elliott, Betty Cowell, Joyce Cotterill, Heather Whitby, Larry Bedingfield, Erika & Margo Birmingham



PARISH CALENDAR

Wed: No Mass at Bombala

Thu: Saint John I



Sat: Saint Bernardine of Siena

Sun: Mass Delegate 8am

Morning Tea afterwards at St Joseph's School Centre
Mass Bombala 10am



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

May Anniversaries

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



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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Motherhood is the gift of God to women. How grateful we must be to God for this wonderful gift that brings such joy to the whole world, women and men alike.”
Saint Teresa of Calcutta



Quotes and Thoughts
**SAINT MARY
OF THE CROSS
MACKILLOP**



May God speed you on your way and bless all your good desires. (15.5.1901)
The cross appears lighter when carried with Jesus. (13.5.1874)
God will draw good out of evil. (3.5.1874)
I cannot feel sufficiently grateful to our good God. (15.5.1873)
Port Augusta, South Australia, foundation, 1872.

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1. Be Not Afraid *St Louis Jesuits*

1. You shall cross the barren desert, But you shall not die of thirst,
You shall wander far in safety, Though you do not know the way,
You shall speak your words to foreign men
And they will understand, You shall see the face of God and live. **R**

**Refrain: Be not afraid, I go before you always
Come, follow me and I will give you rest**

2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea, You shall not drown
If you walk amid the burning flames, You shall not be harmed
If you stand before the power of hell, And death is at your side
Know that I am with you through it all. **R**

2. Only A Shadow *Carey Landry*

1. The love we have for you, O Lord, Is only a shadow of your love for us;
Only a shadow of your love for us, Your deep abiding love.

2. Our own belief in you, O Lord, Is only a shadow of your faith in us;
Only a shadow of your faith in us; Your deep and lasting faith.

*Our lives are in your hands, Our lives are in your hands;
Our love for you will grow, O Lord; Your light in us will shine.*



Prayer of the Faithful

**Response: (R)
Lord, hear our prayer**



CELEBRANT/LEADER: Christ commands us to show our love for him and for the Father by loving one another. By our love the power of Christ's resurrection is made known to the world. Let us now turn to the Father with our prayers for the Church and for the world.

READER: For our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them reverence and love, and others who show us a mother's love. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For adoptive mothers and for the women who wish to give birth but experience challenges, that they know your care. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For mothers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For those who wish to serve as mothers, but are not able to do so, that they know your comfort. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For mothers who have died, that God may bring them into the joy of his kingdom. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For mothers everywhere, may their families gather around them on Mother's Day and show them the respect and love they deserve. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For Our Lady's intercession for all our needs and especially for the people of Ukraine. We pray **Hail Mary...**

CELEBRANT/LEADER: God our Father, send your Spirit of truth into our hearts that we may always reject what is false, live by the commands of Christ and be true to the love you have shown us. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

MOTHER'S DAY BLESSING *(The Majellan)*

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you give life and care for your Church. Bless these women, as we celebrate this day in their honour. May they be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.

Grant that we their sons and daughters may honour and appreciate them with a spirit of profound respect.

May the example of Mary, mother of Jesus, inspire them to live their vocation as Christian mothers and call their children to faith. Guide and protect them in challenging times and help them to continue to trust in you all the days of their life.

Grant this through Christ our Lord. AMEN



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Today's Gospel speaks of an advocate. his translates a Greek word: 'paraclete'.

Our Lord says: 'I will send you another Paraclete to be with you forever.'

Our Lord was a Paraclete, and he would send another. What does this strange sounding word mean? Here is a hint. We all know that parallel lines run, well, para-ll-el. They run alongside each other. A paraclete is a person who stands alongside someone and pleads their case. That is how our Lord Jesus Christ saw himself. His role was not to condemn but to plead the case for mercy and compassion, to be the intercessor par excellence. Our Lord promises another Paraclete dwelling within us, individually and as the body of Christ's disciples, the Holy Spirit advocating our cause, assisting us to live Truth-fully by the measure of the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. This Paraclete particularly assists us by acting as the Spirit of Truth. We could pause for a moment to thank God for the two Paracletes, constantly pleading our case before the Throne of Mercy.

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READINGS

FIRST READING: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! (R.)

2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. (R.)

3. He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. (R.)

4. Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul: Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me. (R.)

SECOND READING THE FIRST LETTER OF ST PETER

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN