



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B - 14 NOVEMBER 2021



“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 YEAR OF ST JOSEPH SPECIAL YEAR OF THE FAMILY World Day of the Poor

Popes Intention

People who suffer from depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

We pray for protection for all from the pandemic, that we will show love and care through our acceptance of the regulations placed on us.

We pray for the children who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on Tuesday, 23rd November.

We pray for our parliamentarians that they will make decisions on the respect for life.

We pray for the school students currently sitting for their Year 12 exams, particularly because of the disturbing year of study during 2021.

We pray for our deceased loved ones and those who have died recently; may they rejoice in the blessings and happiness of God's Kingdom.

May the sick be comforted by our prayers:

Libby McGruer (Lomas), Moira Tindale, Edna Reed, Betty Cowell, Joyce Cotterill, Carmel Croker (Therese R's sister), Heather Whitby, Jen Farrell, Larry Bedingfield, Yvonne Murphy, Margo Birmingham.

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Parish Calendar

November - Month of the Holy Souls

Mon:

Tue:

Wed: Mass 9.30am Bombala

Thu:

Fri:

Sat:

Sun: Mass Delegate 8am
Mass Bombala 10am



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Sally Reed (Nimmitabel), John Scott, David Cottrell, Mark Bruce, Ann-Maree Stokes, Des Twigg, Sr Margaret Keane rsj, Beryl Phillips, Graeme Enright, Lyons Walcott, Paul Bennett, Pam Clear, Shirley Rutherford.

Anniversaries:

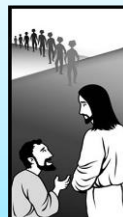
John Morgan, Terry Peisley, Sheila Tiernan, Christine Walker, Geoff Stewart.

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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Happiness is NOT A destination,

It is a WAY of LIFE.



Reflection Time for Those Who Serve

This is a way to say 'thanks' for your service and to offer you spiritual encouragement as you continue your ministry/service.

You matter a lot to our Parishes and these sessions are in recognition of your generosity.

Bombala - Saturday 27 November 10am till 1:30pm (with lunch)



**ST MARY
OF THE CROSS
MACKILLOP**



*Let us show love in our acts. 1890
Cling to God's love and grace. 15.9.1890*

*The Cross may press very heavily but you can be happy for all that. 12.12.1890
Seek always to please God. 9.8.1881*



YEAR OF
St Joseph
8 DEC 2020 – 8 DEC 2021

“With a father’s heart”

PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

(as we approach the end of the YEAR OF ST JOSEPH)

Hail Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
In you Mary placed her trust;
With you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
Show yourself a father
And guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
And defend us from every evil. AMEN
St Joseph, pray for us.



FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

Let the light shine

We are invited to be a light to people, especially in our accompaniment of people who suffer from depression and burn-out.

Weekly Prayer Intention

We pray for faith-filled Catholic women, that their desire to place their gifts at the service of the church’s mission will be fully realised.

Daily Prayer Intention

We pray for local churches around the world, that they will welcome Pope Francis’ call to participate in preparation for the Roman synod on synodality.

Prayer of the Faithful

Leader: We pray that the God of our future will lead and guide us safely each day.

For all who lead in the Church, Pope Francis, bishops, priests and religious, parents, grandparents, that they would show the way by their lifestyles and faith.

Lord hear us

For the future, that the Lord would take away any fear we may have and give us the hope and the courage to meet all future challenges.

Lord hear us

In thanksgiving for the rain received, may we never tire of giving thanks to God for all his gifts of creation.

Lord hear us

For the sick, for the anxious, for the troubled, may the Lord give them peace.

Lord hear us

For all who have died, especially those who enriched our faith, may they live forever with the God of life.

Lord hear us

We ask these prayers and all the prayers of our hearts through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE PANDEMIC:

Pope Francis has asked us all to pray each day for those suffering illness as a result of Corona Virus and to ask God to end this terrible COVID-19 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



St Teresa of Kolkata
Mother Teresa

SAINTLY WISDOM

November begins with two beautiful days the **Feast of All Saints** and **All Souls**. Holy Mother Church remembers all of her children, to whom she has given the life of Jesus through Baptism. We all know that during this whole month we give them extra love and care, by praying to them and for them.

BLESSED VERSUS STRESSED

(a Daily devotion by DaySpring)

Life is busy. Stress is real. And the mind knows just when to replay a slideshow filled with photos of past failures. Once that begins, we’re reminded that we don’t have time for the fun things we once did, and it doesn’t take long to feel as if the world is crashing down around us. We’ve all been there.



SUNDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2021

Theme: **“The poor you will always have with you”** (Mk14:7)

We need to make a world of difference to people experiencing poverty. St Mary MacKillop’s example was to go where the work is, working in partnership with those in need to find a pathway out of poverty.



A minister just had all of his remaining teeth pulled and new dentures were being made. The first Sunday, he preached only 10 minutes. The second Sunday, he preached only 20 minutes. But, on the third Sunday, he preached 1 hour 25 minutes. When asked about this by some of the congregation, he responded this way. The first Sunday, my gums were so sore it hurt to talk. The second Sunday, my dentures were hurting a lot. The third Sunday, I accidentally grabbed my wife’s dentures...

EUTHANASIA

The New South Wales Parliament is considering proposed legislation to legalise euthanasia. The vote will probably be taken in February next year.

The Church will always teach that euthanasia is wrong. The assisting of dying or the actual taking of life prematurely, offends God's plans for life. That said, Catholics need to understand why there is such a push here in Australia for these laws. It is an indication that something in our culture is wrong. Are we as a nation truly respecting life and the Creator of life? Are we living lives that accept nature and the rhythms of life – birth, life, illness and death? Are we prepared as a society to dedicate resources to the care for the suffering and the dying with the best of palliative care? Are we, as individuals, honouring and respecting life as God's gift and accepting our obligations to protecting life at all stages, willing to pay taxes for the care of life at all stages?

Euthanasia laws threaten our society's commitment to a compassionate and dedicated system of caring for the aged and the terminally ill. While it may seem to be a caring way for those who are suffering greatly, it opens the door to attitudes which in the future may deny good care for all.

There are two things we can do to express our Catholic understanding concerning euthanasia. Firstly we can pray for our parliamentarians that they will make the decision for respect of life.

Secondly, we can write to a parliamentarian asking them to vote for respect of life and not euthanasia. The Minister for Health, Mr Brad Hazzard has not yet decided how to vote, he may be a good one to address letters to:

**Minister for Health,
Parliament House,
Sydney 2000.**

Fr Mick will write a letter for anyone to co-sign.



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Please write the names of parishioners, your family and friends in the book on the Altar for prayers during this month of the Holy Souls.

LOOKING BACK 118 YEARS AGO

Corrowong Ball a Brilliant Success in aid of St Peter's Catholic Church - 24 October 1903

Although the day and night remained somewhat cold and squally, it did not in any way militate against the attendance, which was the largest that has attended any ball at Corrowong since its inauguration, about 100 couples being present, which shows that this function still remains a popular one. It was customary to hold this ball annually, but out of respect for the late owner of Corrowong Station, who was the originator of these enjoyable social re-unions, it was allowed to slumber for a couple or three years, but it has now, been revived, and was evidenced by the vast gathering of people on Friday night, with all the fervor that characterised its predecessors. The assemblage included visitors from Bombala, Bonang, Delegate River, Delegate, and in fact the whole area. To one unacquainted with Corrowong and district, it would be puzzling where all the people come from, but those who are acquainted with the place always look forward to a big muster, as the enjoyment to be derived from this dance seems to have spread throughout the whole length and breadth of the district. Corrowong house, as on all former occasions, was thrown open to the visitors, the good, lady of the place seeming to think no sacrifice too great for the comfort of her guests. In the early part of the evening people began to make their way to the trysting, and as nightfall began to approach, persons could be seen arriving by every conceivable route, either on horseback or in vehicles, until it began to look like an invading army. As usual the dance was held in the large barn adjacent to the homestead, which, had, under the generalship of Mr T Stokes, and other employees on the station been put into apple-pie order for the occasion, and although it is a spacious building it was quite inadequate to the vast assemblage on Friday night. On entering the building one would hardly recognise that it was used as a barn as it had undergone a complete transformation scene and made to resemble a fairy bower being prettily decorated, with flowers, Chinese lanterns, and draping's, which work was chiefly performed by Messrs. T Stokes, E Clear, T Wolfe and H Deeney. But by far the most attractive scene was the charming and becoming dresses of the ladies, the richness of which, blending with the decorations, gave the building quite a brilliant appearance. Dancing commenced at 8 o'clock and was kept going right merrily under the conductorship of Messrs. Crawford and Armstrong until midnight, when a call was made for supper. The provisions, which were of a choice nature, were provided by the good ladies of Corrowong, and they quickly disappeared before the invading army. The tables were tastefully laid out and presided over by a host of ladies foremost of whom were Mrs Walsh Snr, Mrs AH O'Hare, Miss Hayden and Messrs. A Epplestun, H Deeney, Jas Walsh, B McTernan, AH Davis and others. We must congratulate the secretaries Mrs T Begley, Miss S Walsh and Mr H O'Hare, and the treasurer, Miss Essie O'Hare on the success of their work which could not be better exemplified than by the large crowd which responded to the invitation and thus added a crowning effect. The Rev Father Norris journeyed from Bombala that day to be present at the function, and expressed himself as extremely gratified with the result, the proceeds, we believe, amounting to £80 (*approx. \$12,055 in 2021*). Dancing was indulged in until daybreak, when the assemblage betook themselves to their respective homes, feeling satisfied within themselves that they had spent a pleasant time, and promising themselves if spared, to participate in the next Corrowong Ball.



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL NEWS

Sacrament of Reconciliation Update

After a few restriction setbacks in the last few months Tuesday 23rd of November at 6pm is the date set for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

St Joseph's Mini Vinnies Team

Last week we held our first Mini Vinnies meeting with interested students. Students from Year 1 – 6 met and discussed ideas for helping our community. We look forward to sharing more about our team with you in the coming weeks.

What is Mini Vinnies?

Mini Vinnies empowers primary school students to become advocates within their school and local community by putting their values into action. They meet regularly to learn about social justice issues, develop leadership skills and engage with the wider St Vincent de Paul Society



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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

14 November 2021

First Reading Dn 12:1-3

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

**(R.) Keep me safe, O God:
you are my hope.**

1. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)
2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)
3. You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)

Second Reading Heb 10:11-14, 18

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of

all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Be watchful, and pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand
before the Son of Man.**

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 13:24-32

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.'

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Have you ever seen those pictures of angels? They are like babies with delicate gossamer wings. How sentimental, how pathetically trivial, how untrue. Angels are more like the light-swords wielded by Luke Skywalker in Star Wars. The good angels are lightning flashes of energy serving God's purpose in the battle against evil forces which can seem to dominate our worlds, private and social.

God loved us into existence in order to share in his life, but there are forces at work trying to frustrate that. There is a cosmic-scale battle going on. Who is on our side in that battle? The angels. Who are they?

They are non-bodily beings of great intelligence and power. Those are the angels, and those who have chosen to love and serve God are on our side.

Some are archangels with a cosmic-scale brief. We hear of one in the first reading: 'Michael, the great Prince who stands guard over your people'. Others are our individual Guardian Angels so that when powers of darkness seem to engulf us, we can turn to our Guardian Angel and say: 'Fight for me', and that light-sword of God will engage in battle because that is that sort of angel's way of serving God.

We could pause a moment to pray, thanking God for the Archangels who guard our church community and for our personal Guardian Angels, and asking our Lord Jesus Christ to command those angels to gather us as his chosen to share His glory.

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