

Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B - 17 OCTOBER 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 Season of Creation SPECIAL YEAR OF THE FAMILY

Popes Intention Missionary Disciples We pray that every baptise

We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

We pray for all those who are affected by or ill from the COVID-19 pandemic and those who have died from this illness.

We pray for the young children in our Parish still waiting to celebrate their first Sacrament of Reconciliation.

We pray for all in our community who are ill or infirm and those in our Aged Care residences.

We pray for those who have died recently; may they experience peace and reconciliation in God's presence.

May the sick be comforted by our prayers:

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



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"PRAYER is missionary – it reaches out to the whole world, beyond any walls, countries, borders; you can reach everyone united with Jesus in prayer." Carmelite Sister Catherine Ann





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Please assist the team by having items in by Wednesday pm. Items may come in by phone, note or email.



Parish Calendar October Month of the Rosary Anti-Poverty Week 17-23 Oct

Mon:

Tue: Feast St Paul of the Cross Wed: Mass 9.30am Bombala Thu:

Fri: Feast St John Paul II

Sat: Delegate 6pm Liturgy of The Word & HC

Sun: Bombala 9am Liturgy of The Word & HC

REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Sr Margaret Keane rsj, Des Twigg, Graham Enright, Beryl Phillips, Lyons Walcott, Paul Bennett, Pam Clear, Shirley Rutherford, Greg Brown (friend Anna/John)

Anniversaries:

Ina McGrath, Kathleen Bellesini, Laura & Jack Elton, Toby Black, Angela Clear, John Bates, Rita Rayner, Carol de Jonge, Dick Kennedy, John Morgan

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

DELEGATE POSTPONEMENT

Unfortunately our celebrations at Delegate, which would have been held this weekend, are postponed until a date TBA in 2022. Preparations are now underway to commence interior repainting of both the church and school centre. They will look bright and fresh once completed. It is over 40 years since they were last painted. The repainting of the church exterior will be our project in 2022.

May God give you patience and courage in your sufferings. March 1904 Have good courage, for God is so very good to us all. 6.1.1870 Do have courage. We must all willingly and with constancy suffer all that God sends for our good. 15.1.1872 Seek to please God. 8.6.1868



Pope Francs, to mark the 150th anniversary of the declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, has dedicated most of this year to St Joseph, whose feast day was 19 March.



FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

The challenge of being an evangelizer.

On first hearing, Pope Francis' hope that all baptized people, no matter how lacking in learning or eloquence, should be engaged in evangelization is challenging.

Weekly Prayer Intention

We pray for the world-wide church, that all the baptised will set out afresh as disciples of Jesus and companion in faith.

Daily Prayer Intention

We pray for school students and all young people concerned for the future of the planet, that their pleas for effective climate action will be heard and met.



(C) LET'S KEEP EACH OTHER SAFE

If you are coughing or have flulike symptoms, please stay at home

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.

Lord, Jesus brought healing during his ministry on earth. Now we need his healing more than ever. We need not only the healing from physical illness brought on by the Coronavirus, but healing for human hearts. Inspire us to serve the poor and abandoned. **Amen** (St Columbans Mission Society)

SAINTLY WISDOM

Prayer makes your heart bigger, until it is capable of containing the gift of God himself. Prayer begets faith, faith begets love, and love begets service on behalf of the poor.



St Teresa of Kolkata Mother Teresa

Prayer of the Faithful 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time B

Celebrant: As the beloved sons and daughters of God, in faith we make our petitions for our needs and the needs of the world.

That all Christians help to continue the mission of Jesus who came that all people may have the fullness of life. **We pray to the Lord.**

We give thanks for missionaries who teach the message of salvation in far-away places.

We pray to the Lord.

For all who serve in positions of authority and for all who assist those in need. **We pray to the Lord.**

For all in special need; for the sick and suffering, especially David Cottrell, for the housebound and the lonely and for those grieving the loss of loved ones through the Covid pandemic; bring them healing and comfort. We pray to the Lord.

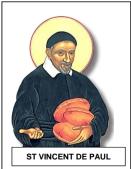
For our own deceased loved ones, especially Sr Margaret Keane rsj, Des Twigg, Graham Enright, Beryl Phillips, Lyons Walcott and for all the faithful departed; may God bless them with all the spiritual blessings of heaven.

We pray to the Lord.

For Our Lady's intercession for all our needs:

We pray; Hail Mary...

Celebrant: Gracious God, hear our prayers and send your Spirit to us, that like Jesus, we may be instruments of your goodness and truth. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. **Amen**



ST VINCENT DE PAUL (Feast Day 27 September 2021) was born to a French peasant family in 1580. He was a highly intelligent youth and was educated by the Franciscans for several years, before being ordained at the age of 20. In 1605 he was captured by Turkish pirates who sold him into slavery, but won his freedom after he converted one of his masters to Christianity. After returning to France, he served as a parish priest near Paris and began to establish charitable organizations that helped the poor, nursed the sick and found work for the unemployed.

St Vincent founded the Congregation of the Daughters of Charity with Louise de Marillac, and instituted the Congregation of Priests of the Mission, also known as the Lazarists. Today the Society of St Vincent de Paul provides relief to people in need across the world.



St Vincent de Paul Society CANBERRA/GOULBURN good works



Teacher: Give me a sentence using the words defence, defeat, and detail Student: When a horse jumps over the defence, defeat goes before detail Sign in a shoe repair store: We will heel you, We will save your sole, We will even dye for you. Sign outside a Muffler Shop: No appointment necessary. We hear you coming. Sign in a Restaurant window: Don't stand there and be hungry; come on in and get fed up.





Over the period of preparation for the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia, which began on 3 October, we've seen a deepening focus placed on listening, discernment, dialogue, and mission. These four qualities are an integral part of the work done by Cassandra Ebsworth and Sr Naomi Smith rsj at Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation and are central to their hope for the future of the Church in Australia.

Cassandra and Sr Naomi both attend Holy Family Parish, Emerton in Sydney. Sr Naomi, who is a Sister of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, has lived in the Diocese of Parramatta and worked with Aboriginal people in the Mount Druitt area for over 30 years. In 2012, five Aboriginal women and Sr Naomi founded Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation with the aim of making a difference in the lives of Aboriginal people in the local area. "Although we started with nothing, we shared a deep faith in our loving God that this is what we were called to do and God's love and kindness have been with us all the way," she says.

Cassandra works as Baabayn's Community Liaison and Support Worker, which sees her involved in various meaningful projects. "One of my roles is to bring the Elders together to practise for the Elders Olympics, which include games, light exercise, Falls Prevention, healthy eating and wearing good footwear," she says. "I also facilitate a community-based Yarn-Up where we get together and share and support each other. Cassandra feels uplifted by the Church's efforts to reach out during the time of pandemic, and she is hopeful that the Plenary Council will continue this work. "I see the churches lending a hand to people through hard times," she says. "When everyone is vulnerable, it is good to know the Church is there to lead us in prayer and to act in practical ways that prove we are walking together."

Sr Naomi is also excited by the Church's renewed approach to connection and support. "I am excited that the Church in Australia, through the work of the Plenary Council, proposes to become a more missionary, Christcentred Church," she says. She believes it is important for this missionary spirit to feature an openness in relating to Australia's First People in new ways, referencing the words of Pope John Paul II spoken to Aboriginal people at Alice Springs in 1986: The Church in Australia will not be fully the Church that Jesus wants her to be until you have made your contribution to her life and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others.

(Sr Naomi Smith taught at St Joseph's Adaminaby 1975 & St Joseph's Bombala 1976-78)



Until about the 15th century, hundreds of mysteries were part of the Rosary devotion. The 15 mysteries that we know today, were definitively fixed as the Mysteries of the Rosary.

In 2002, Pope John Paul II, added the five Luminous Mysteries. Through the meditations of the complete Rosary one recalls and has impressed on their mind, "the chief mysteries of the Christian religion," "the mysteries of our Redemption," "the great mysteries of Jesus and His Mother united in joys, sorrows, and triumphs." The twenty mysteries are divided into four equal groups, known as "The Joyful," "The Sorrowful," "The Glorious," and "The Luminous Mysteries".

The Luminous Mysteries are :-

- 1. The Baptism of the Lord
- 2. The Wedding at Cana
- 3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom
- 4. The Transfiguration
- 5. The Institution of the Eucharist



Widespread regret was felt in the districts of Corrowong and Delegate on the 11th June when the death of Mr Archibald Cairns became known. He had been ailing for the past three years, and on Monday morning the Last Sacraments of the Church were administered by Rev Father John A Roche, Bombala. The late Mr Archibald Cairns was born in Dunedin (NZ) 52 years ago. When very young he came across to Melbourne, and later, 27 years ago, he settled down at Corrowong. In the year 1900 he married Sarah Stokes, daughter of Mr and Mrs Tom Stokes, and soon after the marriage he became a convert to the Catholic Church. For the past 11 years he had been postmaster at Corrowidgen, and for 15 years was secretary to St Peter's Catholic Church, Corrowong. Mr Cairns was also a member of the Hibernian Australian Catholic Benefit Society, and from the day of his conversion up till the hour of his death he was an exemplary, practical Catholic. The body was taken to St Joseph's Church, Delegate, where, in the presence of a large congregation, Father Roche recited the Rosary. In the afternoon the funeral, nearly a mile long, one of the longest ever seen at Delegate, left the church for the Delegate Cemetery, members of all denominations from all parts of the district joining in their last tribute of respect to the departed. Father Roche officiated at the graveside. The late Mr Cairns leaves a sorrowing wife, two sons, Frank and Eddie, and an only daughter, Kathleen, to mourn their sad loss. R.I.P.

BOMBALA-DELEGATE CATHOLIC PARISH - IN THE MONARO MISSION Country of the Bidwell, Ngarigo and Yuin



The first Catholics arrived in the area from 1826 as assigned servants (convicts). Scottish, Irish, and later German immigrants built up the presence from 1833. Father Patrick Newman was the first resident priest in 1864. Prior to this, priests travelled from Queanbeyan and Cooma. Churches were built in Bombala 1867 & 1942 (St Mary's), Delegate 1877 & 1915 (St Joseph's), Cathcart 1878 (St John's) and Corrowong 1894 (St Peter's). Schools opened in 1866-1886 (privately Catholic), Bombala 1886 and Delegate 1921. In 1888 the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, North Sydney (St Mary MacKillop) arrived and have provided continuous ministry for 133 years. Monaro & South Coast Parishes were transferred from the Sydney Archdiocese to Goulburn Diocese in 1917 and to the Archdiocese of Canberra-Goulburn in 1948. Our first priestly vocation was Fr Ernest Baragry who was ordained as a Missionary of the Sacred Heart in 1941. Delegate was a Parish in its own right from 1954-1972. 2008 saw the welcoming of the World Youth Day Cross & Icon and the Consecration of St Mary's Church Bombala following repairs and restoration. St Joseph's Church Delegate celebrated its Centenary in 2015.



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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading Is 53:10-11

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, and have long life.

- The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.
- If he offers his life in atonement,
- he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life
- and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.
- His soul's anguish over
- he shall see the light and be content.
- By his sufferings shall my servant justify many,

taking their faults on himself.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

- (R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.
- The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)
- The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love. to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (*R.*)
- Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (*R*.)

Second Reading Heb 4:14-16

Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

Gospel Acclamation Mk 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia! The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

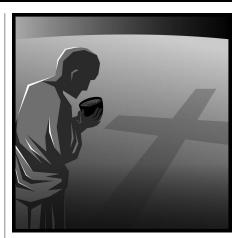
Gospel Mk 10:35-45 (or shorter form Mk 10:42-45)

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that among the pagans their socalled rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The sons of Zebedee expected Jesus to lead a Messianic revolt to throw off the yoke of imperial Rome. But they wanted to be part of a similar sort of power structure. They had not grasped that Jesus had come to turn that sort of society upside down.

However, over the centuries, the Church took on much of the trappings of power of imperial Rome. The popes governed much of Italy. Giuseppe Garibaldi was one of those generals who defeated the forces defending the Papal States, and in doing so actually liberated the papacy from its role as feudal overlord of much of Italy.

In the course of the campaign, when despondent, Garibaldi often reflected on the delightful time he spent on Three Hummock Island just off the coast of Tasmania. So we may say that the liberation of the papacy, enabling it to respond more clearly to today's Gospel, began in Tasmania!

Pope Francis embodies the spirit of today's Gospel. He rails against a Church exhibiting 'the leprosy of a feudal court'. Rather, he has said: 'I see the Church as a field hospital after battle. Heal the wounds, heal the wounds.' And in his actions he has shown himself as a true 'Servant of the servants of God' as Jesus commands in today's Gospel.

We may pause for a moment to pray for Pope Francis that he may have the strength and time to persevere in his responding to today's Gospel so that the papacy may be truly liberated so as to practise a radically different way of exercising leadership in the Church and for the world.