



# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



**PARISH BULLETIN EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, YEAR C, 20 APRIL 2025**



## 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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## PRAYER INTENTIONS

### POPES INTENTION APRIL

#### For the use of the new technologies



Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

**We pray** for the many whose life is a daily struggle of survival in places of violence, hunger and hardship, that their cries for help will bring the relief they so desperately need.

**We pray** for all Lenten donors to Project Compassion, that their generous support for the work of Caritas Australia will continue faithfully throughout the year.

**We pray** for rural dioceses and parishes struggling with limited resources, that they will find creative ways to build community and continue proclaiming the Gospel.



**We pray** for those who are sick in our community, may they be able to see Christ's presence in their most difficult moments:

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



## PARISH CALENDAR

WED No Mass Bombala  
FRI ANZAC Day



SAT LW&HC Delegate 5pm  
SUN Mass Bombala 9am



## REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

### Recently Deceased

Larry Bedingfield, Betty Twigg

### April Anniversaries

Ellen Atkins, Bob Cahill  
Maria Callaway, Arthur Collins  
Keith Cottrell, Myreen Eppelstun  
Neil Ingram, Joanne Joseph  
Jill Knight, Fletcher Lee  
Kerry Letts, Barry Reed  
Edna Reed, Wallace Roberts  
Ilma Stewart, Raymond Thornton  
Kate Vincent



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



Easter reminds us that each time we deny you, Lord, another nail is sharpened; and each time we defy you, Lord, into your hand it's hammered. When faith is weak, temptation strong and courage fails, forgive us, Lord and once again become that risen presence within our hearts. Amen



A journey with  
**SAINT MARY**  
of the Cross  
**MACKILLOP**



It is not those who can pay us well that we should first seek,  
but rather the poor and neglected where we can find the  
means of supporting them. (25.5.1875)

God be praised. (1898)

All will be right with time and a little patience. (23.12.1873)

# He is RISEN

*Easter is the celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead. It is celebrated today, and marks the end of Holy Week, the end of Lent, the last day of the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday), and is the beginning of the Easter season of the liturgical year. As we know from the Gospels, Jesus Christ rose from the dead on the third day following his crucifixion. His resurrection marks the triumph of good over evil, sin and death. It is the singular event which proves that those who trust in God and accept Christ will be raised from the dead. Since Easter represents the fulfillment of God's promises to mankind, it is the most important holiday on the Christian calendar. In the Gospels, the precise details of the Easter narrative vary slightly, but none of these variances are critical to the main story. In fact, it is argued that the variances are simply matters of style and not substance. Despite the variances, the key aspects of the Easter story all match. Above all, they agree that the tomb of Christ was indeed empty, which is the most essential fact.*

## FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

### Change of heart

A culture of disarmament begins with ourselves and with how the world values human beings.

**Daily Prayer Intention** - We pray for all who live in the land of Jesus' birth, that the danger of deadly violence there will ease, and communal leaders will choose the path of justice and peace.

**Weekly Prayer Intention** - We pray for all who lead lives of quiet desperation in our midst, that the caring outreach of the community will lead them from loneliness to the companionship they need.



## Prayer of the Faithful

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



**CELEBRANT/LEADER:** Dear friends, this holy night/day is radiant with the glory of the risen Lord. Let us pray for the light of the Risen Lord to shine healing rays upon our wounded world.

**READER: For** the whole human family, that in this time of global turmoil nations will come together in a solidarity of hope, friendship and common purpose. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

**For** the church, that in every place lively communities of easter faith will display the joy of the gospel and radiate God's life-giving love. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

**For** Easter holidaymakers, that they will enjoy a refreshing break and return home safe and well. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

**For** the people of Australia and New Zealand, that this week's Anzac Day observance will unite them in remembrance of the fallen and in hope for peace on earth. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

**For** residents in aged care facilities, especially those with complex needs, that they will be looked after with understanding, kindness and compassion. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

**For** the sick among our parish community and for all who have sought our prayers, may they find strength comfort, and healing. For those who have recently passed from this life and those whose anniversaries we commemorate at this time. May they be lifted to the glory of the Risen Lord and rest in eternal peace. 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...**

**CELEBRANT/LEADER:** God of power and might, you raised your Son from the shame of the cross to the glory of heaven. Draw us ever more deeply into his victory over sin and death. We ask this through Christ, our risen Lord.

**AMEN**



Caritas  
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COMPASSION**

**Easter Sunday  
20th April 2025**

**Happy Easter from all of us here at Caritas Australia!**

As we celebrate this season of hope and renewal, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your support through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion this Lent.

As we reflect on the Easter message of love, compassion, and new beginnings, we are reminded of the incredible impact your contributions make. Together, we are building a world where no one is left behind.

**Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2025 Lenten appeal.**



**UNITE  
AGAINST  
POVERTY**  
this Lent

**It's not too late to donate.**

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above.

**Or online at:** [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion)

**Or by calling:** 1800 024 413

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## HYMNS - ONE LICENSE 3642645A

### 1. Christ Be Our Light *Bernadette Farrell*

1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see. **R**

**Refrain: Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine  
in your church gathered today.**

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice. **R**

### 2. Open My Eyes, Lord *Jesse Manisuban*

1. Open my eyes, Lord, Help me to see Your face  
Open my eyes, Lord, Help me to see  
2. Open my ears, Lord, Help me to hear Your voice  
Open my ears, Lord, Help me to hear  
3. Open my heart, Lord, Help me to love like You  
Open my heart, Lord, Help me to love  
4. I live within you, Deep in your heart, oh, love  
I live within you, Rest now in me

### 3. Sing A New Song *Dan Schutte*

**Refrain: Sing A New Song Unto The Lord;  
Let Your Song Be Sung From Mountains High.  
Sing A New Song Unto The Lord, Singing Alleluia.**

1. Yahweh's People Dance For Joy.  
O Come Before The Lord,  
And Play For Him On Glad Tambourines,  
And Let Your Trumpet Sound. **R**

2. Rise, O Children, From Your Sleep;  
Your Saviour Now Has Come.  
He Has Turned Your Sorrow To Joy  
And Filled Your Soul With Song. **R**

3. Glad My Soul For I Have Seen  
The Glory Of The Lord.  
The Trumpet Sounds; The Dead Shall Be Raised.  
I Know My Saviour Lives. **R**

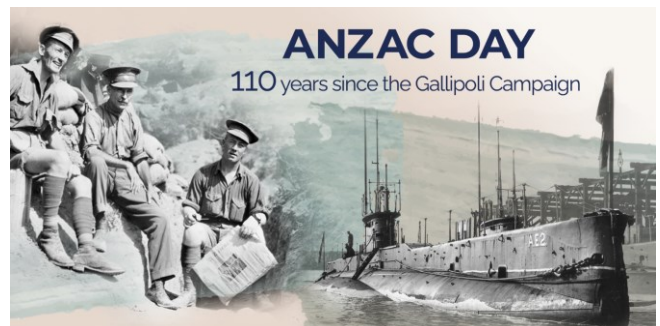
## ANZAC DAY SERVICES

### BOMBALA

6.00am Dawn Service at Cenotaph  
10.45am Commemoration Service  
March - Assemble at Club Bombala

### DELEGATE

6am Dawn Service at Cenotaph  
10.45am Commemoration Service  
March from Cenotaph to Memorial Gates  
Luncheon at Delegate Country Club



Anzac Day honours all Australian personnel who have served in wars, conflicts and peace operations. This picture commemorates 110 years since the Gallipoli Campaign involving the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps and the Royal Australian Navy. Major Ernest Morgan Williams, Brigadier General Henry George Chauvel and Captain Walter Percy Farr sitting in front of Courtney's Post. The HMA Submarine AE2 made its way through the Dardanelles strait to the Sea of Marmara but was sunk by a Turkish torpedo.



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



### Our History



The inaugural Catholics to settle in the region arrived in 1826 as designated servants, primarily convicts. The community's foundation expanded with the influx of Scottish, Irish and subsequently German immigrants starting in 1833. Father Patrick Newman assumed the role of the first resident priest in 1864, succeeding a period during which priests were dispatched from Queanbeyan and Cooma. Churches were erected to serve the growing Catholic population, including St Mary's Bombala in 1867 & 1942, St Joseph's Delegate 1877 & 1915, St John's Cathcart in 1878 and St Peter's Corrowong in 1894. Educational institutions also emerged with privately Catholic schools opening between 1866 and 1886, followed by the establishment of Catholic schools in Bombala in 1886 and Delegate in 1921. In 1888, the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart (North Sydney) co-founded by St Mary MacKillop, arrived, embarking on a continuous ministry that spanned 134 years. Monaro & South Coast Parishes transitioned from the Sydney Archdiocese to the Goulburn Diocese in 1917 and later to the Archdiocese of Canberra-Goulburn in 1948. The first local priestly vocation was Fr Ernest Baragry, ordained as a Missionary of the Sacred Heart in 1941. The Parish of Delegate operated independently from 1955 to 1973. Significant events marked parish history in 2008, including the arrival of the World Youth Day Cross & Icon and the Consecration of St Mary's Church Bombala following extensive repairs and restoration. St Joseph's Church Delegate commemorated its Centenary in 2015.



# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



## Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

### First Reading Acts 10:34, 37-43

*We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.*

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

### Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24**

**(R.) This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad.**

or

**(R.) Alleluia.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.  
Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.' (R.)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds. (R.)
3. The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

### Second Reading Col 3:1-4

*Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.*

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

**or: 1 Cor 5:6-8**

*Throw away the old yeast, that you may be new dough.*

You must know how even a small amount of yeast is enough to leaven all the dough, so get rid of all the old yeast, and make yourselves into a completely new batch of bread, unleavened as you are meant to be. Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast, then, by getting rid of all the old yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

### Gospel Acclamation 1 Cor 5:7-8

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;**

**let us feast with joy in the Lord.**

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel Jn 20:1-9

*The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.*

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the

linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

**or: Lk 24:1-12**

*Why look among the dead for someone who is alive?.*

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, the women went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb, but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there. As they stood there not knowing what to think, two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side. Terrified, the women lowered their eyes. But the two men said to them, 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he has risen. Remember what he told you when he was still in Galilee: that the Son of Man had to be handed over into the power of sinful men and be crucified, and rise again on the third day?' And they remembered his words.

When the women returned from the tomb they told all this to the Eleven and to all the others. The women were Mary of Magdala, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them also told the apostles, but this story of theirs seemed pure nonsense, and they did not believe them.

Peter, however, went running to the tomb. He bent down and saw the binding cloths, but nothing else; he then went back home, amazed at what had happened.

**or at Evening Mass: Lk 24:13-35**

*They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.*

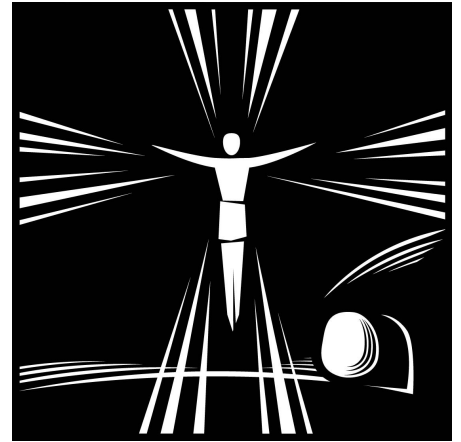
Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us; they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.



### Reflection by Greg Sunter

On this, the most important celebration in the Christian calendar, it is a shame that the reading chosen for the Lectionary is something of a let down. Certainly, within the gospel reading we have the discovery of the empty tomb by Mary of Magdala; the disbelieving disciples running to find things exactly as Mary had described; and the dawning realisation of what Jesus had meant when he so frequently spoke about rising from the dead. However, if the editors of the Lectionary had chosen to also include the next nine verses of the gospel we would have also heard the magnificent encounter between Mary and the risen Lord, confirming that it was a woman, Mary Magdala, who was the first witness to Christ's resurrection. As it is, we never hear this account as part of the cycle of Sunday readings.

The discovery of the empty tomb – although so simply told – is an astounding event that completes the Paschal Mystery: the passion, death AND resurrection of Jesus. Whilst Christ's willingness to go to his death on the cross was an extraordinary statement of God's love for humankind, it is his rising again from death that offers all Christian people hope. It is the second disciple – the one whom Jesus loved – who is the first to grasp the meaning of what has happened inside the tomb. The gospel tells us that upon entering the tomb and seeing Jesus' burial cloths lying there, 'he saw and he believed'. Unlike the later encounters with the risen Lord, this disciple recognised the truth and significance of what he saw in the empty tomb. He didn't need to see the risen Lord to believe. Perhaps it is he that we today can best identify with. Not in a position to physically encounter the risen Christ, we are capable of seeing the signs of his resurrection and continuing presence in the world and choose to believe.

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