



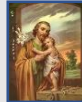
Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 28 August 2022



“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



Popes Intention Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

We pray for peace in the world; for all the African countries and the Middle East and especially for the continuing war in Ukraine.

We pray for all the homeless in our country, especially those families trying to find some suitable accommodation to “be a family” especially in this cold winter weather.

For those who have died, may they wake to eternal life in the sight of God.

For our Church community and all its members: may they keep alert and stand firm in the faith.

For the sick and suffering, may the healing sacraments and pastoral care of the Church always be available to them:

Patricia Guthrie, Maddie Manning, Christine Cowell, Tom Kennedy, Yvonne Murphy, Marty Brick, Carl Crotty, Peter Hopkins, John Elliott, Jack Ventry, Libby McGruer, Therese Rumph, Betty Cowell, Jen Farrell, Joyce Cotterill, Heather Whitby, Larry Bedingfield, Margo Birmingham

YEAR OF WALKING TOGETHER

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PARISH CALENDAR

Mon: The Passion of
St John the Baptist

Tue:

Wed: School Children’s Mass
Bombala 9.30AM

Thu:

Fri:

Sat: St Gregory the Great
Mass Delegate 4.30pm
Mass Bombala 6pm

Please note that Saturday LW&HC
at Delegate will remain at
5pm for September.

No changes to Mass times.



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

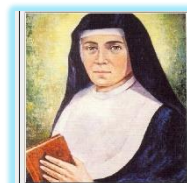
Bob Campbell (Mila),
Wayne Mustard, Brian Callaghan,
John Feilen, Max Brotherton

August Anniversaries

Lou Black, Pam Clear,
Kay Cuthel, Athol Duffell,
Jack Elton, Laura Elton,
Norma Farrell, Lil Goodyer,
Jean Ingram, Nat Ingram,
Vince Jones, Peter Martin,
Mary Monk, Sr Kathleen Price,
Nick Spoljaric, Ellen Stewart,
Jack Stewart, John Thompson,
Dick Walker, Tom Walker



“Speak much with God.
He will make you
truly wise!”
Saint Mary Mazzarello



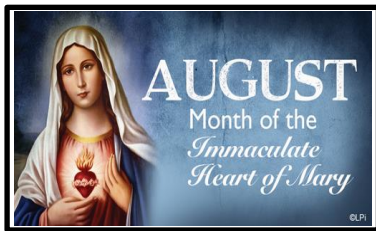
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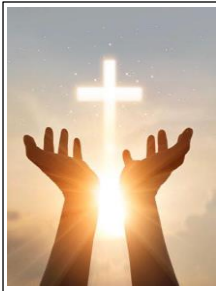


Persevere faithfully, particularly in prayer. 4.7.1876
Be patient and work generously in the service of our Divine Lord. 3.3.1898
Do not be afraid. 12.01.1909

**Mary MacKillop celebrated her First Holy Communion, Aug 15, 1850
**Mary MacKillop pronounced her vows as the first Sister of St Joseph, Aug 15, 1867



This devotion was established by Christ Himself who wished that His mother's Immaculate Heart be revered along with His Own Sacred Heart. The Blessed Mother first revealed her Son's wish to the 3 children seers of Fatima - Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco - in her second apparition to them on June 13, 1917. She revealed that "Jesus wishes to use you in order to make me known and loved. He wishes to establish devotion to my Immaculate Heart in the world. I promise salvation to those who embrace it; and these souls will be loved by God like flowers arranged by me to adorn His throne."



FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

The gift of difference.

The International Day commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief on 22 August reminds us of the need to live up to our Catholic tradition, build on faith in Jesus, that encourages respect and love for others.

Weekly Prayer Intention - We pray for all who have experienced harsh and punitive treatment at the hands of church officials, that by the grace of God they will find healing and freedom of spirit.

Daily Prayer Intention - We pray for the leaders of nations in the Middle East, that they will be moved to renounce violent rivalries and seek peace and justice for all.



Prayer of the Faithful

Response:
Lord, hear our prayer



LEADER: Let us acknowledge our needs and bring them before the Lord with confidence in his love for us.

READER: For the Church that it may be a place of welcome and empowerment to all God's people. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For those who hold public office; that service of others may be their priority. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the grace of humility: that we come to a deeper understanding that our worth and dignity and the dignity of each person is found in being a child of God. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the gift of peace: that God will inspire all who are working to end war, terrorism and violence between religious and ethnic groups and amongst nations. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For relief for those who are in pain and peace for those close to death; may they know God's comfort and strength. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; may they rejoice and be filled at God's banquet. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For Our Lady's intercession for all our concerns and especially for peace in Ukraine. We pray...**Hail Mary**....

LEADER: Loving God, we thank you for having us as guests at the banquet of the Eucharist and in your goodness grant us a place at the heavenly banquet. **AMEN**



POPE EXPRESSES CLOSENESS TO UKRAINE EXPERIENCING IMMENSE CRUELTY

A word that Pope Francis often pronounces and shares with the world is 'perseverance.' The same could be said of the 'constancy' with which, for over six months, now Pope Francis has increasingly accompanied his reflections, especially at the General Audience and Angelus, with an appeal, a plea, or even just a few words of solidarity for the Ukrainian people, no matter what the topic for the occasion may be.

For the 13th consecutive time since June 5, again from the window of the Apostolic Palace following the recitation of the Angelus when greeting those gathered in St Peter's Square, Pope Francis recalled last Sunday the "immense" suffering Ukraine is bearing:

"Let us persevere in our closeness and in prayer for the dear Ukrainian people who are experiencing immense cruelty."

MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE

Australia is facing a crisis in volunteering. A culture of individualism means that community participation is plummeting; and that's bad news, because volunteers are crucial in all kinds of ways, seen or unseen. But we're also facing a crisis of employees in vital sectors like aged Care. Centrecare is a jewel in the crown of the Archdioceses, as it reaches out in many ways to people in real need. But Centrecare currently can't find the workers it needs, and the same is true of all welfare agencies. Declining immigration through the COVID-19 years is part of the reason, but only part. Child care is another area where we can't find workers, and even more broadly in education as we face a teacher shortage. We're struggling to care for the young, the elderly and those in need. Yet the quality of care offered to these is the prime criterion by which any society is ultimately judged. No-one has a magic solution, but we can at least recognise the need....and make our own contribution, great or small.

THE BEST WAY TO PRAY

A priest, a minister and a guru sat discussing the best positions for prayer, while a telephone repairman worked nearby. "Kneeling is definitely the best way to pray," the priest said. "No," said the minister. "I get the best results standing with my hands outstretched to Heaven." "You're both wrong," the guru said. "The most effective prayer position is lying down on the floor." The repairman could contain himself no longer. "Hey, fellas," he interrupted, "the best prayin' I ever did was when I was hangin' upside down from a telephone pole."

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1. COME TO THE WATER *Frank Andersen*
Refrain: Come to the water! You who are thirsty!
Though you have nothing, I bid you come!
And be filled with the goodness I have to offer!
Come! Listen! Live.

1. Why spend your money on what cannot fill
The emptiness deep in your heart?
Listen to My word and you will enjoy
Goodness and peace in your heart! **R**

2. Just as the heavens are high above earth;
My ways and thoughts beyond you!
Call me your Father and know I am near!
I will be Father to you! **R**

2. A NEW HEART FOR A NEW WORLD

Trish Watts, Monica O'Brien

Refrain: Create a new heart, holy Lord,
Beckon our lives through your word, Open our eyes to
your call, United as one for your world.
Heighten our minds to your thoughts, Heal us of pride
and of hurt, May we go forth in your name, We pray our
hearts change.

1. The heart of the cross lowly and poor, calls us on.
Lord, it is you promising hope, promising truth. **R**

2. Restless the hearts who yearn for your peace in this land.
Deepen the dream, justice brings life, justice redeems. **R**

SYDNODALITY

In the Church we are hearing more and more about **synodality**. It was adopted at the recent Plenary Council for the Australian Church and Pope Francis has called a worldwide Synod on synodality. It is a Greek word and has been used in the Church for centuries. It reflects a way of being church. The actual Greek word means - walking together.

Together is the only way we can be church. Only when we are united with each other as Christ's faithful, inspired by the Holy Spirit, sharing life and faith together can we be Christ's witnesses to the world.

Pope Francis has called this Synod, to be held in 2023 because he wishes to unite the Church. He is fearful of some of the current trends in society infiltrating the Church. Politics and popularism are two of the trends he is concerned about. The Church can never be a political organisation where people campaign for things and want a majority vote to decide on matters.

And the Church can never be subject to popularism, where the Church is forced to adopt differing trends from the society around it.

Synodality – walking together unites the Church, all can live with the decisions reached, politics and popularism divides the Church, there are winners and losers.

Prayer to Saint Mary of the Cross Mackillop

Loving Father, We honour Saint Mary of the Cross

A woman of strength, resilience and courage

A woman of kindness, compassion and joy.

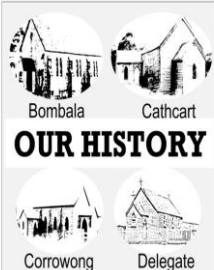
May her life and ministry of service
inspire us to reach out to others in need with
justice and mercy with generosity and humility.

May we, like Mary, alive in the Holy Spirit,
learn to live by faith in you and follow
the way of your son, Jesus, our brother. **AMEN**

By Clare Locke, Brisbane Catholic Education



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



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 came 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 134 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-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

28 August 2022

First Reading Sir 3:17-20, 28-29

Humble yourself and you will find favour with the Lord.

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business,
and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.

The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly,
and then you will find favour with the Lord;
for great though the power of the Lord is,
he accepts the homage of the humble.
There is no cure for the proud man's malady,
since an evil growth has taken root in him.
The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables,
an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 67:4-7. 10-11. R. v.11

(R.) God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
they shall exult and dance for joy.
O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. (R.)
2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,
such is God in his holy place.
God gives the lonely a home to live in;
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. (R.)
3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain:
when your people were starved you gave them new life.
It was there that your people found a home,
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. (R.)

Second Reading Heb 12:18-19, 22-24

You have to come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God.

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 11:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

Take my yoke upon you;

learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 14:1, 7-14

All who exalt themselves shall be humbled and all who humble themselves shall be exalted.

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Hearing Our Lord's command: 'Invite the poor, the crippled, to the feast,' how do we respond as citizens of a nation which, in comparative global terms, is having a great feast? Jesus demands that we go well beyond an immigration policy which favours skilled and entrepreneurial people. They more than 'repay our courtesy' in terms of economic activity and social stability.

The majority of the poor and the crippled live in the subsistence villages, the refugee camps, and the squalor of the megacities of the Third World.

Heaven embossed invitations must be extended to such as those so that they may join in our national feast. Only then can we become the sort of people who, in the great Feast of Heaven, can join with those poor who are certain to be there.

We could pause for a moment to pray to put today's Gospel into effect so that we might hear Our Lord: 'Friend, join in the Feast. Be close to me.'

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