

Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish







SAINT PETER AND PAUL, YEAR C, 29 JUNE 2025



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Response:(R) Lord, hear our prayer

LEADER: Dear friends, united in the faith handed on to us by the great apostles Peter and Paul, let us pray devoutly for our needy sisters and brothers around the world

READER: For world leaders, that they will use the power at their disposal to bring deadly wars to an end and work together for the safety and wellbeing of the whole human family. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For Father Kose, as he embarks on his new ministry as Parish Priest of Pambula, may the Holy Spirit enfold him with wisdom, courage and grace, guiding and strengthening him as he shepherds God's people with love and faithfulness. We pray to the Lord. (R)

For Christians holding fast to their faith in places of opposition, threat and violence, that they will draw strength from the power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in them. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

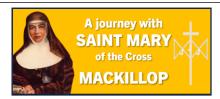
For ourselves as beneficiaries of Australia's blessings, that we will have the freedom to change to ensure those blessings are fairly shared across the whole community. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For gardeners of every kind, that their love of nature will bring joy to many and inspire us to care for earth's gifts. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the sick of the parish and for all who have asked for our prayers. For the recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries we recall at this time. May they rejoice in the fullness of life promised to them as faithful followers of Jesus. 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**...

LEADER: Saving God, you raised up the apostles Peter and Paul to proclaim the gospel to the ends of the earth. Set our hearts ablaze with the fire of your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **AMEN**



My heart would sink but for the firm conviction that God's word can never fail. (28.6.1877)

Do be faithful in little things. (30.6.1873)

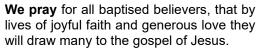


PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION JUNE

That the world might grow in compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.



We pray all who work in the many different fields of Catholic media, that they will succeed in communicating the good news with creativity and conviction.

We pray for rural dioceses and country parishes, including our own, that they may be strengthened by the Holy Spirit, finding creative ways to build a vibrant community and proclaim the Gospel with renewed faith and hope.



We pray for our sick family members, friends and fellow parishioners. May the soothing presence of God's light grant them healing and solace.

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



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Sr Christina O'Connor, Bernie Crotty, Shirley Garnock John Kember

June Anniversaries

Sr Mary Agnes, Shirley Baker Jessie Bedingfield, Eric Cuthel Mark Ingram, Wilga Ingram Peter Kimber, Terry Mulligan Moira Tindale, Norma Toms Gordon Walker, Madge Walker

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



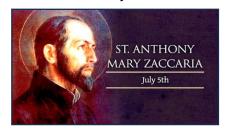
PARISH CALENDAR

MON First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

TUE
WED No Weekday Mass
THU Saint Thomas
FRI Saint Elizabeth of Por

SAT Saint Elizabeth of Portugal
SAT Mass Bombala 5pm
LW&HC Delegate 5pm

Saint Anthony Zaccaria





Reflection: By Fr Michael Tate

What are the shackles or chains which fetter the successor of St Peter? What prison walls need to be shattered so that he can preach the marvels of God in ways which affect the hearts of humanity? We know prayer of the community, i.e., of us, will be essential to his being freed - from what? A Pope could be imprisoned by a distorted or impoverished idea of 'the Church'. In the Gospel, our Lord says to Simon son of Jonah: 'You are Peter and on this rock I will build my church'. 'My church' - the church desired by our Lord, not a church designed by all too earthly ambitions, a church whose structure owes much to the Roman empire, and later to Euro-centric models spanning the last millennia or so. May the Church, the Church of the third millennium, be unshackled from the chains of various historical eras so that the Pope, in giving an account of his ministry to the Lord will be able to say with St Paul, 'I have fought the good fight to the end,' by doing my best to heed your call 'rebuild my Church'.

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READINGS

FIRST READING: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 12:1-11

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly. On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. 'Get up!' he said 'Hurry!' - and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, 'Put on your belt and sandals.' After he had done this, the angel next said, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. 'Now I know it is all true,' he said. 'The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: THE LORD SET ME FREE FROM ALL MY FEARS..

- 1. I will bless the Lord at all times his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)
- 2. Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise his name. I sought the Lord and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free. (R.)
- 3. Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed. This poor man called; the Lord heard him and rescued his from all his distress. (R.)
- 4. The angel of the Lord is encamped around those who revere him, to rescue them. Taste and see that the Lord is good. He is happy who seeks refuge in him (R.)

SECOND READING: ST Paul to TIMOTHY

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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1. All People That on Earth Do Dwell William Kethe

- 1. All people that on Earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him serve with fear, his praise forthtell; Come ye before him and rejoice.
- 2. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed; Without our aid he did us make; We are his folk, he doth us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.

2. City Of God Dan Schutte

1.Awake from your slumber, Arise from your sleep A new day is dawning, For all those who weep The people in darkness, Have seen a great light The lord of our longing, Has conquered the night. R Refrain: Let us build the city of God, May our tears, Be turned into dancing, For the Lord Our light and our love, Has turned the night into day.

2.We are sons of the morning, We are children of day. The one who has loved us, Has brightened our way. The lord of all kindness, Has called us to be A light for his people, To set their hearts free. **R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: YOU ARE PETER, THE ROCK ON WHICH I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH; THE GATES OF HELL WILL NOT HOLD OUT AGAINST IT. ALLELUIA!

GOSPEL OF MATTHEW 16:13-19

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

