



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, 29 September 2024



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Response:(R) Lord, hear our prayer

LEADER: Dear friends, to follow Jesus is to welcome the poor and the weak with open arms. In that spirit let us pray for the needs of the whole human family.

READER: For World Day of Migrants and Refugees (29 September) and for all who have left their homelands in the hope of new life, that they will gain the peace and security they long for. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For all who care for the earth and all its creatures, that Friday's feast of St Francis of Assisi will inspire them to make the whole year a Season of Creation. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the nation of Australia, that the whole community will set differences aside and work together to address the growing challenge of inter-generational inequality. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For our parish community, that each one's gifts will be welcomed by all and will build up the Body of Christ in faith, hope and love. 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 peacemakers around the world, that this week's World Day of Non-Violence (2 October) will amplify their call for an end to violence in every heart, home and land. 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: Giver of all good gifts, Lord God, you never cease to grace us with your Spirit of love. Help us share your love by the joyful service of all. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **AMEN**



PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION SEPTEMBER

For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



We pray participants in the Synod on Synodality (2-27 October), that their days of spiritual retreat will prepare them in mind and heart for a fruitful month of discernment and dialogue.

We pray all who have formal roles in the task of safe-guarding children and vulnerable adults from abuse, that they will fulfil their responsibilities effectively and with integrity.

We pray for rural dioceses and parishes, their spirits bold, that they may discover inventive ways to build bridges of faith, keeping the Gospel's message alive with every step.



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

Sr Margaret (Nathy) Maloney, Amy Talbot, John Vincent, Marilyn Holdsworth, Noah Ingram, Joyce Reed, Terry Perkins, Kath Farrell, Val Perkins, Chris Cuttle, Barbara Brownlie, Jim Parkes, Harry & Mary Anne Dillon, Jen Farrell, Heather Whitby, John Elliott, Marlene Kennedy, Kim Peisley, Patricia Guthrie, Tom Kennedy, Peter Hopkins, Larry Bedingfield, Danielle Hurley.



PARISH CALENDAR

- MON** Saint Jerome
- TUE** Saint Therese
- WED** **Mass Bombala 9.30am**
Guardian Angels
- FRI** Saint Francis of Assisi
- SAT** **Mass Bombala 5pm**
LW&HC Delegate 5pm



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Betty Callaway
Sr Margaret-Mary (Adrian) Morris RSJ
Anna Vincent

September Anniversaries

John Bates, Toby Black
Kevin Casey, Marge Casey
Angela Clear, Millicent Crotty
Elizabeth II, Jack Elton
Eva Eppelstun, Ben Ingram
Sr Margaret Keane RSJ
Maud Kilmartin
Sr Loretta Kilmartin OLSH
Kathleen Mulligan, Cheryl Mustard
Rita Rayner, Julia Reed
Darcy Ryan, Maurice Stevens
Carmel Thompson, Jack Thornton

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



SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

"Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible."



A journey with
SAINT MARY
of the Cross
MACKILLOP

Never correct when you are angry and do not suspect too easily. (9.3.1890)
Time, charity and patience will make all things right. (2.6.1890)
The cause of right will triumph in the end. (26.9.1884)
God give to us what is best. (26.9.1884)
Let us be united in prayer and we shall be strong. (26.9.1884)

READINGS

FIRST READING: BOOK OF NUMBERS

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look', he said, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: THE PRECEPTS OF THE LORD GIVE JOY TO THE HEART!

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. (R)
2. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. (R)
3. So in them your servant finds instructions; great reward is in their keeping. But who can detect all his errors?
From hidden faults acquit me. (R)
4. From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me. Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin. (R)

SECOND READING: LETTER OF ST JAMES

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia!

GOSPEL OF MARK:

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

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1. Bring Forth the Kingdom *Marty Haugen*

1. You are salt for the earth, O people: Salt for the Kingdom of God! Share the flavour of life, O people:
Life in the Kingdom of God!

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy, Bring forth the Kingdom of peace; Bring forth the Kingdom of justice, Bring forth the City of God!

2. You are a light on the hill, O people: Light for the City of God! Shine so holy and bright, O people:
Shine for the Kingdom of God!

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**

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An easy way to deal with this Gospel: 'anyone who is not against us is for us,' would be to emphasise the transformation of the relationship of Catholics with Protestants. Too easy. But what about our relationship with the Muslims? There is a huge gulf between Muslims and us about Jesus Christ. Muslims do not even believe that he was killed on the cross, let alone raised to life. We hold to the testimony and the faith of the Apostles.

But Catholics also believe that the Divine Wind blows where it pleases amongst all people of all religious traditions (and of none). In the early Church this was expressed by saying that the Seeds of the Word were sown by the Holy Spirit in the hearts of all human beings. We need to recognise the Seed of the Word in Islam – our shared belief in the one God, Creator of the cosmos, Lord of history, merciful and just. The task of the Church is to bring that Seed closer to the illumination of Divine Light so that it may eventually grow in belief that God is indeed One in the loving relationship of Triune life. The world is holding its breath over the encounter of the Catholic Church and Islam. There is a history of mutual violence and contemporary barbarities which are inhumane and blasphemous. But, in the face of indifference and hostility to religion, at least in the West, it is good to acknowledge what we share in common. We may take a moment to pray for the grace to relate to those Muslims whom we know in our own society in light of our faith that the Divine Wind has sown and is nurturing the Seed of the Word amongst them.

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