



# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



**PARISH BULLETIN Fifth Sunday of Lent, Year C 3 April 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

**We pray** for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries: may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

**We pray** for peace in our world, especially for the people of Ukraine.

**We pray** for the sick, especially Jack Ventry and for the terminally ill in our Parish: may they be supported and comforted in this time of vulnerability.

**We pray** for our deceased relatives and friends that they are in the place which Jesus prepared for them.

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

Jack Ventry, Audrey Day, Therese Rumph, Judy Periera, Libby McGruer, Moira Tindale, Edna Reed, Betty Cowell, Joyce Cotterill, Jen Farrell, Heather Whitby, Larry Bedingfield, Yvonne Murphy, Margo Birmingham.



## Pastoral

TEAM

**COOMA PRESBYTERY: 02 8331 7609**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Mick MacAndrew  
(after hours 0419 010 870)

**Assistant Priest:** Fr Adrian Chan  
0411 676 064

### PARISH CONTACTS

**St Joseph's School:** 02 6458 3776  
**School Principal:** Mrs Susan Tighe

[www.stjbombala.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stjbombala.nsw.edu.au)

### Chair Parish Council:

Mrs Anna Vincent: 02 6458 5208

### Chair Finance Committee:

Mrs Carol Ogilvy-Garnock: 02 6458 3365  
(Bursar, Mr John Vincent: 02 6458 5208)

**PO Box 8, Bombala NSW 2632**

### PARISH WEBSITE

[www.cg.org.au/bombala](http://www.cg.org.au/bombala)

**The Parish Bulletin is available  
each week on our website**

### BULLETIN TEAM

Mrs Chris Page 02 6458 4885  
email: [chizpage@hotmail.com](mailto:chizpage@hotmail.com)

Mrs Anna Vincent 02 6458 5208  
email: [vincent@activ8.net.au](mailto:vincent@activ8.net.au)

Delegate

email: [joeysdelegate@gmail.com](mailto:joeysdelegate@gmail.com)

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



## PARISH CALENDAR

**Mon:**

**Tue:**

**Wed:** Children's School Mass  
Bombala 9.30am

**Thu:** Feast St John Baptist de la Salle

**Fri:** Reconciliation Bombala 7pm

**Sat:** LW&HC Delegate 6pm

**Sun:** Palm Sunday  
LW&HC Bombala 9am



## REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

### Recently Deceased

Murray Garnock, Anne Moreing,  
Chris Philbrick.

### April Anniversaries

Ellen Atkins, Bob Cahill  
Arthur Collins, Keith Cottrell,  
Leila de Costa, Myreen Eppelestun,  
Brian Hampshire, Neil Ingram,  
Joanne Joseph, Jill Knight,  
Fletcher Lee, Kerry Letts,  
John Pereira, Wallace Roberts,  
Ilma Stewart, Raymond Thornton,  
Kate Vincent.

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

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

**No-one has ever become  
poor by giving...**

*Anne Frank*



## HOLY WEEK

### HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

**Holy Thursday:** Bombala 6pm

**Good Friday:** Delegate 11am Stations  
Bombala 3pm The Passion

**Easter Vigil Saturday:**  
Delegate 5pm, Bombala 7pm

**Easter Sunday:** Nimmitabel 10am



**ST MARY  
OF THE CROSS  
MACKILLOP**



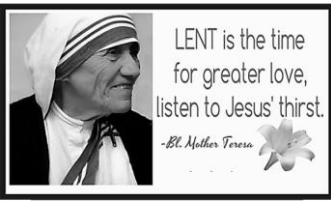
*God loves us all. 2.9.1906*

*Always try to have success in your work but remember*

*God is often glorified in our failure. 3.5.1874*

*Keep young as long as you can. 3.5.1874*

*Pray for the poor people speaking against us. 3.5.1874*



**As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst... 'Repent and believe' Jesus tells us. What are we to repent? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor. He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you.**

**Mother Teresa - Saint Teresa of Calcutta**



**FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD**

**Consecration chooses life.**

Pope Francis devoted 25 March to the consecration of Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

**Weekly Prayer Intention**

We pray for all struggling to survive the brutality of violent aggression, that their terrible suffering will turn hearts of stone to hearts of flesh.

**Daily Prayer Intention**

We pray for those who have suffered heartbreaking losses in the floods of eastern Australia, that they will receive the short and long term support they need to find a future.



**POPE CONSECRATES RUSSIA & UKRAINE: 'SPIRITUAL ACT OF TRUST AMID CRUEL WAR'**

Pope Francis presided over the annual "24 Hours for the Lord" Lenten penitential service in St Peter's Basilica on Friday last, as the Church marked the feast of the Annunciation. Toward the end of the liturgy, the Pope prayed the Act of Consecration of humanity, especially of Russia and Ukraine, to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

He prayed the Act in communion with all Catholic Bishops across the globe, as the Papal Almoner, Cardinal Konrad Krajewski, did the same at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, in Portugal. The Pope's renewal of the Consecration came in response to the war in Ukraine and at the request of the Blessed Virgin Mary made in an apparition at Fatima on 13 July 1917.

In his homily at the Celebration of Penance, Pope Francis reflected on humanity's need for God's forgiveness and on the meaning of the Consecration. He said the renewal of the Act of Consecration is meant to consecrate the Church and all the whole of humanity, especially Russia and Ukraine, to Mary's Immaculate Heart. "This is no magic formula but a spiritual act. It is an act of complete trust on the part of children who, amid the tribulation of this cruel and senseless war that threatens our world, turn to their Mother, reposing all their fears and pain in her heart and abandoning themselves to her."

**Prayer of the Faithful**

**CELEBRANT:** Loving God we bring our prayers before you, asking that you do new things in our Church and in our world.

**READER:** For the Church: that it may always be a place of welcome where people are accepted as they are and encouraged to become their best selves.

**We pray to The Lord.**

We pray with Pope Francis for world peace and that sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths and countries may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

**We pray to the Lord.**

For families: that they may feel supported and upheld, and that children especially feel loved and affirmed.

**We pray to the Lord.**

For those who are sick and suffering: may they be sustained by the faith and compassion of the community.

**We pray to the Lord.**

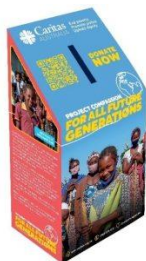
For our deceased loved ones, especially Murray Garnock, and for all the faithful departed: may they come to the complete experience of God's love.

**We pray to the Lord.**

For Our Lady's intercession for peace in Ukraine, and for all our needs, we pray....**Hail Mary....full of grace....**

**PROJECT COMPASSION**

Your generous support can help to change the lives of some of the world's most vulnerable people. Join us this Lent to raise much-needed funds for people living in poverty. Together, we can make a difference now, and for all future generations.



**CELEBRANT:** Compassionate God, we give you thanks for your great mercy shown to us through Jesus, your Son. Encourage us to follow his example that we may work to restore compassion to the human family.

**We ask this in Jesus' name. AMEN**



**THE SERMON OR THE COLLECTION**

*Pastor Brown was on his way back to the parish from an extended trip. Eager to be home before dark, he was traveling well over the speed limit and ended up being pulled over by a police officer.*

*The officer was not impressed by his explanation or his collar and asked,*

*"Do you want me to give you a little sermon about your driving, Pastor?"*

*"Oh, skip the sermon," said the flustered pastor, "and just take up the collection."*

**1. Come As You Are** *Deidre Browne*

1. Come as you are, that's how I want you  
Come as you are, feel quite at home  
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven  
Come as you are, why stand alone?

2. No need to fear, love sets no limits  
No need to fear, love never ends  
Don't run away, shamed and disheartened  
Rest in my love, trust me again

**2. Hosea** *Gregory Norbett*

1. Come back to me with all your heart.  
Don't let fear keep us apart.  
Trees do bend, 'though straight and tall;  
so must we to others' call.

**Long have I waited for your coming home to me  
and living deeply our new life.**

2. The wilderness will lead you  
to your heart where I will speak.  
Integrity and justice,  
With tenderness, you shall know.

**3. 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

**4. Create a New Heart, Holy Lord** *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. **Refrain**

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

**THANK YOU!**



**Delegate Stations Of The Cross**

Thank you to the many people involved with the *remove, repair, replace and rejoice* process of the Stations of the Cross.

**A huge and wonderful effort.**

These beautiful pictures are now proudly hanging back in our freshly painted church in time for the Stations of the Cross Service on Good Friday.



**NEWS FROM ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL**

Don't forget the **Caritas Ks Walk** from Gunnago Park on Wednesday 6 April at 11 am. Please join them for the walk or make a commitment towards their \$500 target.

You can use the link below to donate and sponsor our walkers.

<https://fundraise.projectcompassion.org.au/t/st-joe-team>

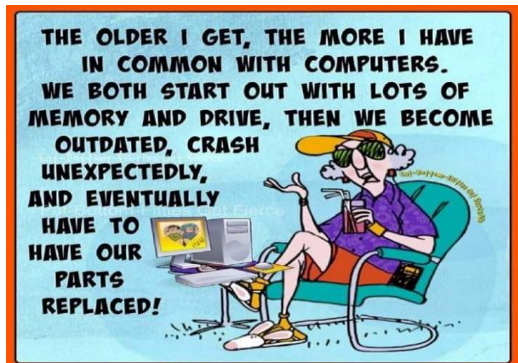
**Monthly Message to Marija from Medjugorje.org**

"Dear children, I am listening to your cry and prayers for peace. For years, Satan has been fighting for war. That is why God sent me among you to guide you on the way of holiness, because humanity is at the crossroad.

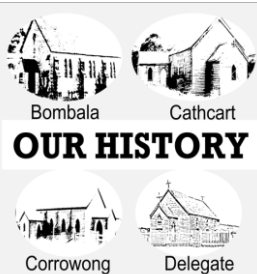
I am calling you to return to God and to God's Commandments that it may be good for you on earth, and that you may come out of this crisis into which you have entered because you are not listening to God who loves you and desires to save you and lead you to a new life. Thank you for having responded to my call."



Next Friday 8 April is the **last day of Term 1** and **students return to Term 2** on 27 April.



**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.





# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



**Fifth Sunday of Lent, Year C**

**3 April 2022**

## First Reading Is 43:16-21

*I am doing a new thing and I will give drink to my people.*

Thus says the Lord,  
who made a way through the sea,  
a path in the great waters;  
who put chariots and horse in the field  
and a powerful army,  
which lay there never to rise again,  
snuffed out, put out like a wick:

No need to recall the past,  
no need to think about what was done  
before.

See, I am doing a new deed,  
even now it comes to light; can you not  
see it?

Yes, I am making a road in the  
wilderness,  
paths in the wilds.

The wild beasts will honour me,  
jackals and ostriches,  
because I am putting water in the  
wilderness

(rivers in the wild)

to give my chosen people drink.

The people I have formed for myself  
will sing my praises.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 125. R. v.3**

**(R.) The Lord has done great things for us;  
we are filled with joy.**

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.  
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs. (R.)
2. The heathens themselves said: 'What  
marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'  
What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad. (R.)
3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.  
Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap. (R.)
4. They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:  
they come back, they come back,  
full of song,  
carrying their sheaves. (R.)

## Second Reading Phil 3:8-14

*Because of Christ I look upon everything else as useless in  
order to gain him.*

I believe nothing can happen that will  
outweigh the supreme advantage of  
knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have  
accepted the loss of everything, and I look  
on everything as so much rubbish if only I  
can have Christ and be given a place in him.

I am no longer trying for perfection by my  
own efforts, the perfection that comes from  
the Law, but I want only the perfection that  
comes through faith in Christ, and is from  
God and based on faith. All I want is to know  
Christ and the power of his resurrection and  
to share his sufferings by reproducing the  
pattern of his death. That is the way I can  
hope to take my place in the resurrection  
of the dead. Not that I have become perfect  
yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running,  
trying to capture the prize for which Christ  
Jesus captured me. I can assure you my  
brothers, I am far from thinking that I have  
already won. All I can say is that I forget the  
past and I strain ahead for what is still to  
come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize  
to which God calls us upwards to receive in  
Christ Jesus.

## Gospel Acclamation JI 2:12-13

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!**

**With all your heart turn to me,  
for I am tender and compassionate.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!**

## Gospel Jn 8:1-11

*Let the person without sin be the first to throw a stone.*

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At  
daybreak he appeared in the Temple again;  
and as all the people came to him, he sat  
down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman  
along who had been caught committing  
adultery; and making her stand there in  
full view of everybody, they said to Jesus,  
'Master, this woman was caught in the very  
act of committing adultery, and Moses has  
ordered us in the Law to condemn women  
like this to death by stoning. What have  
you to say?' They asked him this as a test,  
looking for something to use against him.  
But Jesus bent down and started writing on  
the ground with his finger. As they persisted  
with their question, he looked up and said,  
'If there is one of you who has not sinned,  
let him be the first to throw a stone at her.'  
Then he bent down and wrote on the ground  
again. When they heard this they went away  
one by one, beginning with the eldest, until  
Jesus was left alone with the woman, who  
remained standing there. He looked up and  
said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one  
condemned you?' 'No one, sir,' she replied.  
'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go  
away, and don't sin any more.'



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The accusers of this woman make  
her 'stand there in full view of  
everybody.' She is surrounded by  
the hostile glare of eyes filled with  
blood lust.

It is only when the accusers have  
left in embarrassment that Jesus,  
who has been bent to the ground,  
looks up at her. He adopts the  
posture of a slave, seeing her as  
she could be if she gives up her  
current pattern of behaviour.

Up till now, *no-one* has spoken to  
this woman. Now Jesus treats her  
as a human being worth speaking  
to. And what does she hear? That  
he does not condemn her but  
points her to a new sort of life in  
the future.

We could pause for a moment to  
allow Jesus the time to look at us,  
talk to us, in that way. Do you have  
the courage to 'lock eyes' with  
Jesus and live out the  
consequences?

'The eyes have it.'

mtate@bigpond.com