



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 31 July 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 The Elderly

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of people, may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

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 those who are sick, that God's healing spirit will bring them wholeness.

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.

We pray for those who are sick, that God's healing spirit will bring them wholeness.

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

We pray for all young people - many of whom are also homeless - and are facing the challenges of our time.

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

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

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PARISH CALENDAR

Mon: Saint Alphonsus Liguori

Tue: Saint Peter Julian

Wed: Saint Dominic
Mass 9.30am Bombala

Thu: Saint John Vianney
Patron Saint of Priests

Fri:

Sat: Mass Delegate 4.30pm
Mass Bombala 6pm

Sun:



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Brian Callaghan, John Feilen
Max Brotherton,
Judy Periera, Athol Reid,
Moira Tindale, Kaylie Hopkins

July Anniversaries

Beatrice Abrahams,
Kevin Bedingfield, Shirley Bedingfield,
Vince Clear, Stan Collins,
John Cusack, Claude Elliott,
Jack Eppelestun, Warren Haley,
Kevin Ingram, Lou Joseph,
Gwen Kimber, Val Lasker,
Meryl Lock, Fr Barney Lynch,
Jean Manning, Beryl Morgan,
Sr Bridget O'Halloran,
Martin Page, Janie Roberts,
Graham Rumph, Bert Smith,
Peter Stewart, Jean Talbot,
Neindra Tarrant, Jim Walker,
Emily Williams



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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



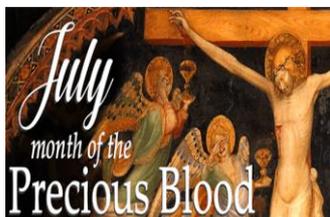
Dag Hammarskjöld

**The more faithfully you listen
to the voices within you.
the better you will hear
what is sounding outside.**


**ST MARY
OF THE CROSS
MACKILLOP**



We have all very much for which to thank and love God. 27.6.1873
May the Sacred Heart shield you and uphold you in every trouble. 27.6.1873
My one constant prayer for those that I love is that
God in his love may grant them a happy death. 7.1.1867
I must only trust in the mercies of God. 2.6.1867



Christ's Precious Blood, like His Sacred Heart, is a symbol of His love for all mankind. In this prayer, we recall the shedding of His Blood and ask, that He may guide our lives so that we may be worthy of Heaven.

Lord Jesus Christ, who came down from heaven to earth from the bosom of the Father and shed Thy Precious Blood for the remission of our sins, we humbly beseech Thee, that in the day of judgment we may deserve to hear, standing at Thy right hand: "Come, ye blessed." Who lives and reigns forever and ever. AMEN.



FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

The work of prayer

Prayer is an investment in a relationship and requires commitment, time, listening and caring.

Weekly Prayer Intention - We pray for the people of God, that as Jesus longed to eat the Passover with his disciples (Lk22:15), so will we long to worship in spirit and truth.

Daily Prayer Intention - We pray for the baptised in Christ, that they will show God's power to raise up love from the turmoil and strife of the world.



Thank You!

My sincere thanks to my Parish Family for the lovely flowers, messages of sympathy, kindness and prayers given to me when Moira passed away, and special appreciation to Father Mick for his beautiful Requiem Mass and prayers. Moira loved her Church and fellow parishioners. May she now rest in God's keeping.

May God bless you all. Eilie Elliott



Pope on Ukraine: 'May international actors resume negotiations, not fuel war'

Pope Francis laments, yet again, the continuing war in Ukraine and the senselessness of conflict urging international actors to 'really' work for peace.

"I am always close to the tormented Ukraine, which is struck by a rain of missiles every day," said Pope Francis during the Sunday Angelus.

"How can anyone not understand that war only creates destruction and death, driving people apart and killing truth and dialogue?"

Raising his voice, yet again, since the beginning of the Russian invasion in Ukraine that continues to wreak death, suffering, destruction and displacement, the Pope reiterated his appeal to the international community to seek a negotiated solution instead of fuelling violence.

"I pray and hope that all international actors will really work to resume negotiations, not to fuel the senselessness of war."

Prayer of the Faithful

LEADER: With confidence in God's grace and mercy let us bring our prayers before Him.

READER: For peace; that God will raise up leaders who will promote dialogue and understanding between nations and states. **We pray to the Lord.**

For all who protect and serve the community, particularly the police, fire fighters and medical personnel; that God will guide them in their service, protect them from harm and help them to fulfil their responsibilities. **We pray to the Lord.**

For an end to terrorism and for the safety of all attending the Commonwealth Games; that God will turn hearts from violence and help everyone to recognise the dignity of human life. **We pray to the Lord.**

For the sick; may they know the healing power of God and the loving compassion of their careers. **We pray to the Lord.**

For our deceased relatives and friends especially John Feilen, Max Brotherton, Brian Callaghan and for those who anniversaries occur at this time; may the faith they had in life find its fulfilment in God's presence. **We pray to the Lord.**

For Our Lady's intercession for all our needs and especially for the people of Ukraine. **We pray.....Hail Mary.....**

LEADER: Loving God, hear our prayers and help us to measure life's worth by becoming rich in the sight of God. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

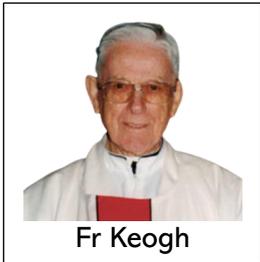
SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE

Feast Day was 26 July
GRANDPARENTS OF JESUS



According to Church tradition they were a deeply faithful Jewish couple from the line of King David. Strong devotion to them dates back to early Christianity. While we know very little about Saint Joachim and Anne we can assume that Mary was raised in a faith-filled Jewish home, which led her to respond wholeheartedly to God's request with faith, "Let it be done to me as you will". In Australia, a first class relic of Saint Anne is held at her shrine in the Parish of St Anne in Bondi where pilgrims are always welcome.

*Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.
Pray for our grandchildren who are so dear to us.*



Goulburn Schools Strike

July 1962 *(continued)*

'But what started it all was a humble toilet block!'

The strike formally started on Monday, 16 July 1962 and was scheduled to last for six weeks.

The tone of coverage changed once the strain on local government schools became apparent. The fear of similar strike action or even the collapse of the Catholic system altogether led to calls that "something must be done" by the government. A local Catholic priest explained at the time that they had tried for 80 years, by speech and talk, to influence them and hoped that having failed in that way, that this action in Goulburn will help the people to see what we feel is a just claim and an evident one."

After a week, with the point made, this concern saw the strike action called off and the Catholic schools re-opened. The action did not see immediate results for the participants. The government at the time were loath to be seen to be forced into a decision but announced they were willing to listen to the concerns of the Church. Church leaders sought state aid for items such as scholarships, teacher training and salaries and capital funding for modern facilities.

Fr Frank Keogh was a key figure in the State Aid debate of 1962 and the famous Goulburn campaign, instrumental in eventually securing government assistance for Catholic Schools. During an interview to mark its 50th anniversary in 2012, he played down the clergy's role in the controversial and often heated debate. He agreed that the Auxiliary Bishop at the time, John Cullinane, had "loaded the bullets" and he had fired them. The veteran priest, who died in 2015 at age of 95, was the administrator of Goulburn's Saint Peter and Paul's Cathedral when the six schools in the archdiocese were closed. Fr Keogh served as parish priest in Delegate from 1965 to 1970.

The question of state aid for religious schools is still debated somewhat today.

1. Here I Am Lord *John Michael Talbot*

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save
I have made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?, Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord, If You lead me,
I will hold Your people in my heart*

2. I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide, 'Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them, Whom shall I send?

2. Seek Ye First *Karen Lafferty*

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

2. Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

3. Man shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds out from the mouth of God.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!



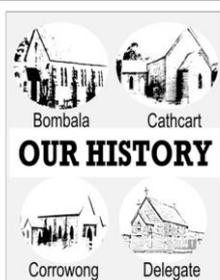
**Sunday
31 July 2022**

National Tree Day started in 1996 and has grown into Australia's largest community tree planting and nature care event. It's a call to action for all Australians to get their hands dirty and give back to the community. While every day can be Tree Day, we dedicate celebration on Sunday 31 July 2022. Are you considering planting a tree?



A doctor and a lawyer in separate vehicles collided on a highway one foggy night. The fault was questionable, but both were terribly shaken, and the lawyer kindly offered the doctor a drink from his flask. The doctor took the flask with a shaking hand and belted back several long swallows of the strongest whiskey he'd ever tasted. Feeling better already, he passed the flask to the lawyer who began to recap it. "Aren't you going to have one for your nerves?" asked the doctor. "Of course I am" replied the lawyer, "but after the police get here."

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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First Reading **Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23**

What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

1. You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. (R.)
2. You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. (R.)
3. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. (R.)
4. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading **Col 3:1-5, 9-11**

Seek the things that are above 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.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication,

impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

Gospel Acclamation **Mt 5:3**

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel **Lk 12:13-21**

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Conversation is what makes us human: we are word animals. Anyone who has been in hospital for some time knows that it is the lack of conversation which starts to tell. We need mouth to mouth resuscitation.

Did you notice in today's Gospel that the rich landowner is constantly murmuring to himself. He poses questions which *he* answers. He is so bound up with his possessions that there is no room in his life for real conversation with people or with God.

In muttering to himself, the rich man was becoming dehumanised and in danger that at the moment of death, he could find himself monologuing for all eternity, and that is a Hellish existence. He, and we, need to learn the language of Heaven and we begin that on earth.

There are two partners of conversation we need: With God we call it prayer. The Our Father is the conversation of the children of God with their heavenly Father. With other people, real dialogue might reveal something about them such that we need to respond wholeheartedly.

And then, draw closer to Our Lady who was the greatest conversation partner with God: 'Be it done unto me according to Thy word.' She is constantly trying to draw us into her conversation with God.

We could pause for a moment to ask Our Lady to help us to learn and practise the language of Heaven: 'now, and at the hour of our death.' Amen.

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