



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, 6 October 2024



PARISH VISION STATEMENT 2004



“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.”

St Mary's Bombala
St Joseph's Delegate
St Peter's Corrowong



PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION OCTOBER For a Shared Mission



We pray that the Church continues to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

We pray for all whose hopes for a life-long partnership of love have not been realised, that they will not harbour blame or shame but find their way to a new and fruitful life.

We pray for the scavengers who eke out a living from the rubbish tips of the world, that they will find their way to work that is healthy and justly paid.

We pray for Christian communities who are deprived of the Eucharist due to the absence of an ordained minister. May the Church's reform address their deep longing for the Bread of Life, ensuring that no soul is left spiritually hungry.



We pray for God's healing grace to touch those who are sick within our family, friends, parish and community. May they be surrounded by His comforting light, finding peace and strength to persevere through their difficulty, and may they feel His love and grace during this time of need.

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 Our Lady of the Rosary
TUE
WED Mass Bombala 9.30am
Saint Denis & Companions
Saint John Leonardi
THU
FRI Saint John XXIII
SAT LW&HC Delegate 5pm
SUN LW&HC Bombala 9am

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REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

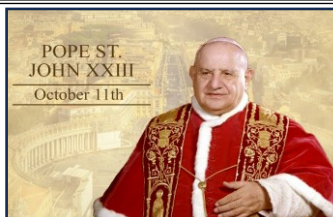
Betty Callaway
Sr Margaret Mary (Adrian) Morris rsj
Anna Vincent

October Anniversaries

Kathleen Bellesini
Sr Betty Bourke rsj
David Cottrell, Peter Cottrell
Carol de Jonge, Claudette Elliott
Dick Kennedy, Ina McGrath
John Morgan, Yvonne Murphy
Alma Reed, Therese Rumph
Louise Stevens, Ann-Maree Stokes
Katie Thornton
Br Andrew Travers-Ball
Dawn Walker



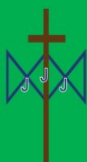
“We have loved them in Life:
Let us not forget them in death.”



“Do not walk through time without leaving worthy evidence of your passage.”
Pope Saint John XXIII



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)
Death of Alick MacKillop, Mary's brother, 7.10.1847
Death of Father Julian Tenison Woods, Sydney, 7.10.1889



OCTOBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. According to an account by fifteenth-century Dominican, Alan de la Roch, Mary appeared to Saint Dominic in 1206 after he had been praying and doing severe penances because of his lack of success in combating the Albigensian heresy. Mary praised him for his valiant fight against the heretics and then gave him the Rosary as a mighty weapon, explained its uses and efficacy, and told him to preach it to others.

FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

Look to the good.

Jesus is with us all offering hope always - even when we face failure, fear and disappointment.

Daily Prayer Intention - We pray 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.

Weekly Prayer Intention - We pray for the faithful women of the church, that the way for them to contribute in full to its life and mission will be laid open.



Prayer of the Faithful

Response: (R)
Lord, hear our prayer

CELEBRANT/LEADER: Dear friends, Jesus presents us with God's age-old ideal of lifelong fidelity in marriage. With trust in God's pledge of love for us, let us pray for the world to be graced with mercy, healing and kindness.

READER: For all taking part in the Synod on Synodality, that Friday's anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council (11 October) will be a source of inspiration for them. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For married couples and all in committed relationships, that they will be blessed with the gift of faithful love and wherever necessary with the balm of forgiveness. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For all nations to abolish the death penalty, that those guilty of serious crime may have the opportunity to repent and the innocent be saved from unjust execution. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the multitude of people caught up in wars to which the world pays no attention, that their plight will not be ignored and their need for relief be met. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the sick of our parish and for all who have asked for our prayers. We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they be raised up to be with the Risen Lord. 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...**

CELEBRANT/LEADER: Faithful God, you made us in your own image and re-made us in Christ. Help us to be true to you and to one another. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

AMEN



An accountant dies and goes to Heaven. He is met by St Peter who goes through the usual questionnaire.

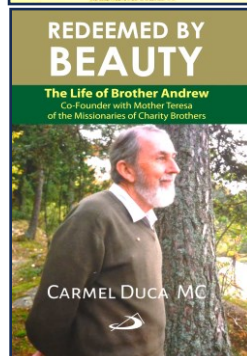
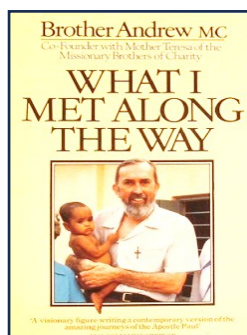
"What sort of accountant are you?" says Saint Peter "Public Practitioner," is the reply. "Name?" He gives his name. Saint Peter goes through some files and pulls one out. "Oh, yes. We've been expecting you. You've reached your allotted span," says Saint Peter. "How can that be?" says the accountant, "I'm too young to go. I'm only forty-eight". "No, that's impossible." "Why do you say that?" "Well, we've been looking at your time sheets and the hours you've charged your clients. By our reckoning you're at least ninety three."



LOOKING BACK 24 YEARS AGO Brother Andrew

Ian Travers-Ball, known as Brother Andrew, was born on August 27, 1928, in Melbourne, the youngest of seven children.

After finishing school, he worked in an insurance office before deciding to join the Jesuit order in 1952. His journey of faith led to his ordination as a priest on March 25, 1963. However, in 1966, Brother Andrew left the Jesuits and co-founded the Missionary Brothers of Charity with Mother Teresa of Calcutta. The order was dedicated to serving the poorest of the poor. From 1966 to 1986, Brother Andrew served as General Servant of the order, guiding its mission with deep compassion and dedication. In the early 1990s, Jean Manning played a pivotal role in bringing Brother Andrew to Delegate regularly. He would stay in the school flat and share his profound journey of faith through a series of retreats and renewal programs. Brother Andrew deeply touched the lives of many with his spiritual insights, humility, and sincerity. His presence and teachings were nothing short of inspirational.



In the face of cancer later in life, Brother Andrew made the courageous decision to forego extensive medical treatments, choosing instead to let nature take its course with grace and acceptance. He passed away peacefully on October 4, 2000, at the age of seventy-two. However, his legacy did not end with his passing. In Delegate, Jean faithfully carried on his work, continuing his renewal programs through an ecumenical prayer group. This group thrived for an impressive 25 years, nurturing the spiritual lives of many until Jean's own passing in 2015. Brother Andrew's writings, his letters, articles, and books continue to serve as valuable resources for those seeking spiritual renewal, offering guidance and insight into his journey of faith. Rest in peace Br Andrew.

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1. Blest Be the Lord *Dan Schutte*

**Refrain: Blest be the Lord, blest be the Lord
The God of mercy, the God who saves
I shall not fear, the dark of night
Nor the arrow that flies by day.**

1. He will release me from the nets of sinful men
He will protect me from their wicked hands
Beneath the shadow of His wings I will rejoice
To find a dwelling place secure. **R**

2. I need not shrink before the terrors of the night
Nor stand alone before the light of day
No harm shall come to me, no arrow strike me down
No evil settle in my soul. **R**

2. Strong and Constant *Frank Anderson*

1. I will be Your God who walks with you!
You will be always in my hand! Take your heart and give it all
to me! Strong and constant is my love! Strong and constant is
my love!

2. Should you wander far away from me, I will search for you
in every land! Should you call then you will truly know
Strong and constant is my love! Strong and constant is my
love!

3. When you know sorrow within your life
I will come I will embrace your heart!
Through your pain you will discover Me!
Strong and constant is my love! Strong and constant is my
love!

3. One Bread One Body *John Michael Talbot*

**Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all
One cup of blessing which we bless
And we, though many, throughout the Earth
We are one body in this one Lord**

1. Gentile or Jew, Servant or free
Woman or man, No more **R**

2. Many the gifts, many the works
One in the Lord, Of all. **R**

4. I'll Be Always Loving You *Trish Watts*

1. I am here with you by your side,
Sheltering your heart from the night. **R**

**Refrain: Wherever you go, whatever you do,
I'll be always loving you.
I will be your God your comforter.
I will hold you close in my heart.**

2. Let me love the world through your heart,
Let me heal your wounds with my touch. **R**

3. Let me see the world through your eyes,
Let forgiveness shine through your smile. **R**

Remembering Sister Margaret Mary

(Adrian) Morris rsj

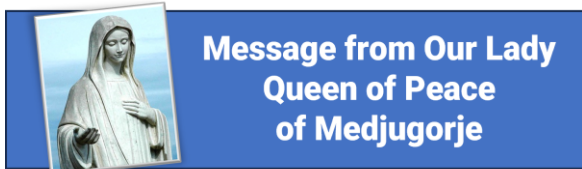
29 June 1931 – 22 September 2024



With profound sadness and deep gratitude, we remember Sr Margaret Mary (Adrian) Morris, a cherished daughter of Richard and Margaret (née Davenport) Morris and devoted sister to Martin and Owen (both deceased).

Sr Adrian, in her ninety third year, was a beloved and highly esteemed member of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, remembered for her deep love of the Liturgy, her generosity in sharing her many gifts and her courage in gracefully accepting the challenges of her disability. Her teaching years from 1956 to 1959 in Delegate left a lasting impression on those who were fortunate to know her. Sr Adrian was admired not only for her kindness and loving nature but also for her beautiful singing voice, a gift that resonated with many.

One of her most memorable moments came in October 1980, when she returned to Delegate to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of St Joseph's School. Before an audience of over 450 people at the Sunday Cabaret Ball, she received a standing ovation for her heartfelt rendition of "Amazing Grace". Sr Adrian's legacy lives on through the countless lives she touched with her compassion, talent and unwavering faith. May she rest in eternal peace.



Medjugorje, Our Lady's Message on September 25, 2024

"Dear children, God has sent me among you, to love you and encourage you to prayer and conversion, for peace in you and in your families and in the world. Little children, do not forget that true peace comes only through prayer, from God Who is your peace.

Thank you for having responded to my call."



Pope Francis has expressed deep concern regarding the escalating violence in the Middle East, calling for an immediate ceasefire across Lebanon, Gaza, Palestine and Israel.

He made this urgent plea during a Mass in Brussels, following intensified conflicts between Israel and Hezbollah in Lebanon, as well as ongoing violence in Gaza. The Pope emphasised the need for humanitarian aid and the release of hostages, lamenting the heavy toll the war has taken on civilians. He also asked for prayers for the victims and their families, urging global attention to both the Middle East and the suffering in Ukraine, with a call for peace.



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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

6 October 2024

First Reading Gen 2:18-24

They were two in one flesh.

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones,
and flesh from my flesh!
This is to be called woman,
for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 127. R. v.5

**(R.) May the Lord bless us
all the days of our lives.**

- O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. (R.)
- Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. (R.)
- Indeed thus shall be blessed
he man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.
On Israel, peace! (R.)

Second Reading Heb 2:9-11

*He who sanctifies, and those who are sanctified
have one origin.*

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Jn 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

**If we love one another,
God will live in us in perfect love.
Alleluia!**

Gospel Mk 10:2-16 or (shorter form Mk 10:2-12)

What God has joined together, no one must divide.

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.



Reflection by Greg Sunter

In the Western world today, somewhere between one-third and one-half of marriages end in divorce. It's a statistic that we hear wheeled out as a sign of the collapse of family values in our society. However, the reverse statistic is also true: somewhere between one-half and two-thirds of marriages are lasting ones. In the last 30-40 years, divorce has transformed from being a shameful scandal to an accepted, even commonplace, fact of life. It would be uncommon not to know someone affected by divorce. Despite those who argue that divorce is too 'easy', it is an emotional and difficult decision for couples to reach and has rippling impacts on children, extended families and friends.

When the Pharisees in the gospel asked Jesus about the law regarding divorce, they really weren't interested in divorce; they wanted to check Jesus' orthodoxy – how he stood in relation to traditional teaching. Rather than respond to them directly, Jesus asks them first of all to name the teaching to which they refer. He then explains that Moses only ever wrote the instruction because the people were so unwilling to listen to God's way.

For the second time in the last few weeks, the gospel shows Jesus welcoming children and praising their attitude as the way to the kingdom of God. Children of the time had no status and were regarded as literally the property of their father. When Jesus laid his hands on the children and gave them his blessing, this was the action of a father 'claiming' the child as their own. To welcome the kingdom like a little child is to enter into living the kingdom of God without any claim to position or status; to recognise our complete dependence on others; to let go of our ideas of who is important and who is not; to allow ourselves to be 'claimed' by Jesus.

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