



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 11 September 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 Abolition of the Death Penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

We pray for the gift of peace, that God will inspire all who are working to end war, terrorism and violence between religious and ethnic groups and amongst nations, especially Russia & Ukraine.

For those who are sick and suffering, may they continue to live with faith and hope and love.

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

For our Church community and all its members: may they keep alert and stand firm in the faith.

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

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

YEAR OF WALKING TOGETHER



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PARISH CALENDAR

Mon:
Tue: St John Chrysostom
Wed: No Mass at Bombala
Thu: Our Lady of Sorrows
Fri: Mass Bombala 9.30am

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF SERVICES FOR 3RD SUNDAY

Sat: LW&HC Delegate 5pm
Sun: LW&HC Bombala 9am



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

David Hehir (Val P's nephew)
Wayne Mustard

September Anniversaries

Phyl Abbotsmith, John Bates, Toby Black, Jack Burke, Angela Clear, Millicent Crotty, Jack Elton, Eva Eppelestun, Ben Ingram, Sr Loretta Kilmartin, Kathleen Mulligan, Rita Rayner, Julia Reed, Darcy Ryan, Maurice Stevens, Jack Thornton

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

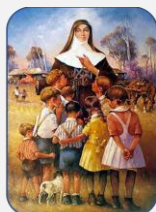
Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.

Saint Catherine of Sienna



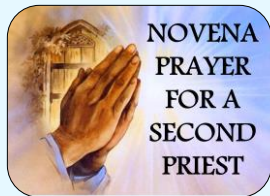
“We have loved them in Life: Let us not forget them in death.”

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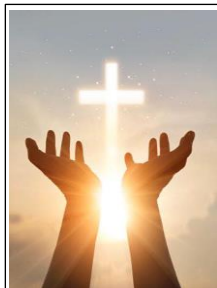
Do not let your troubles disturb your trust in God. 19.2.1885
Pray to be ever ready for God's will even when it takes you by surprise. 28.5.1880
Keep up your courage – we do not live here forever. 27.1.1877
Live in charity and peace. 20.8.1886

THREE PARISHES TOGETHER – NOVENA PRAYER FOR A SECOND PRIEST



I invite you to pray this prayer for the next nine days, asking the Lord to send us a second priest for this area. Fr Mick

Lord, you know us and all our needs. We are in need of a second priest to help guide us in our mission of bringing Christ to all. We ask that you send a second priest to minister to us in the Three Parishes. We trust in your loving kindness. Amen.



FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD Capital punishment jails us all

Every human being has the possibility of turning their life around. Capital punishment denies that chance.

Weekly Prayer Intention - We continue to pray for fathers, that they will delight in their children and be blessed with life-long bonds of love.

Daily Prayer Intention - We pray for the human family. May all people on earth come to know and rejoice in the mystery of God's saving love.



Prayer of the Faithful

Response: (R)
Lord, hear our prayer



LEADER: Let us bring our prayers to God through Christ who is the Father's gift of mercy and forgiveness to all.

READER: For the Church; that it may be a community of mercy and love - where people reach out and minister to vulnerable older people, where bonds between generations are built up, and where no one is cast as a burden or as rivals to younger generations. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For all who work in institutions and services caring for people who are ill and infirm: may they see the face of Christ in every persons they serve. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For all young people; that the Spirit of God will touch their hearts and open their minds to the Gospel message of love and mercy for all people. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For peace: that God will turns hearts from violence and terrorism and help people to use their energy to defeat poverty and disease. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the sick in our community: may they be supported by family, friends and carers and never be made feel that they are a burden. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For those who have died, especially David Hehir, may they know the fullness of love in God's presence. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

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

LEADER: Loving God, have mercy on us and in your compassion hear and answer our prayers in Jesus' name. **AMEN**

Pope says we are living through Third World War



31/8/2022 Vatican News

During the General Audience on Wednesday morning, Pope Francis recalled the 83rd anniversary of the outbreak of the Second World War. Addressing the Polish-speaking faithful gathered, he noted that "Tomorrow you will remember the anniversary of the outbreak of World War II, which so painfully marked the Polish nation, may the memory of past experiences urge you to cultivate peace in yourselves, in your families, in social and international life," said the Pope. WWII began on 1 September 1939 and lasted till 2 September 1945.

Pope Francis also turned his attention to the ongoing war in Ukraine, noting that today we are living through a "third World War" – one that is being fought piecemeal. He seized the opportunity to pray for the Ukrainian people, imploring Our Lady to support them in their "daily choice of goodness, justice and solidarity with those in need, generating hope, joy and inner freedom in your hearts."

POPE CREATES 20 NEW CARDINALS:

In a ceremony to create 20 new cardinals, Pope Francis urged members of the College of Cardinals to have the same spiritual zeal for all people, whether they are in positions of power or ordinary Christians. The consistory brought to 226 the total number of cardinals in the world; 132 cardinals are under the age of 80 and eligible to vote in a conclave. (Cath News)



THREE AUSTRALIANS NAMED TO KEY SYNOD OF BISHOPS GROUP

The process will culminate in a meeting in October 2023 with the theme "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission." Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB of Perth, together with Susan Pascoe and Fr Ormond Rush have been named to serve on the commissions supporting the Synod's work. (Cath News)

HYMNS - ONE LICENSE 3642645A

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.

3. I came to call sinners, not just the virtuous.
I came to bring peace, not to condemn.
Each time you fail to live by my promise,
why do you think I'd love you the less?

2. Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind but now I see

Was Grace that taught my heart to fear
And Grace, my fears relieved
How precious did that Grace appear
The hour I first believed

**CLAIM
THE
DATE**

Debutante Ball

Saturday 8 October 2022



WE REMEMBER.
09.11.01

21ST ANNIVERSARY
God is our refuge
and strength,
always ready to help
in times of trouble.
Psalms 46:1

REMEMBERING 9/11 WITH THE POPES

In the face of the barbaric terrorism that took place on 9/11, Pope St John Paul II, Pope emeritus Benedict XVI, and Pope Francis all remind the world to pursue the path of peace and love, which overcomes all forms of hatred and violence.

Pope St John Paul II: 2001

It was a Tuesday. Pope John Paul II watched events unfold live on television. His press secretary later recounted how JP II sought to get in contact with US President George W. Bush by telephone to express his closeness to the American people. But the president was unreachable and in a secure location for security reasons. The Pope sent a telegram instead, decrying the "inhumane attacks" and assuring his prayers in those trying times. The next day was a Wednesday, and Pope John Paul II held the weekly General Audience under the strain of interior suffering. 9/11, he said, "was a dark day in human history, a terrible attack on human dignity." He added: "The heart of man is an abyss whence, at times, emerge acts of unspeakable ferocity."

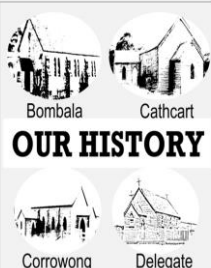
Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI: 2008

On April 20, 2008, Pope Benedict XVI made the first papal visit to Ground Zero in New York. To honor the victims, the Pope chose not to give a speech. He said a prayer instead. Under a grey sky, an oboe played a mournful tune as he descended into the unfinished monument to gaze into its temporary reflecting pool. "God of understanding," he prayed, "overwhelmed by the magnitude of this tragedy, we seek your light and guidance as we confront such terrible events." Pope Benedict then lit a candle to remember the victims who died in New York, Washington D.C., and aboard the United 93 flight that crashed in Pennsylvania.

Pope Francis: 2015

Seven years later, Pope Francis followed in his predecessor's footsteps, visiting the completed Ground Zero monument on September 25, 2015. Only the sound of flowing water could be heard as the Holy Father laid a white rose on the edge of the reflecting pool. At this symbolic location, Pope Francis held an interreligious meeting, and appealed for all religions to promote peace together. "This place of death became a place of life too," he said. It is "a hymn to the triumph of life over the prophets of destruction and death, to goodness over evil, to reconciliation and unity over hatred and division."

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 Ex 32:7-11, 13-14

The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried, "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said, 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 50:3-4. 12-13. 17. 19. R. Lk 15:18

(R.) I will rise and go to my father.

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. (R.)
2. A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. (R.)
3. O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise.
My sacrifice is a contrite spirit;
a humbled, contrite heart you will not
spurn. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Tm 1:12-17

Christ came to save sinners.

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting

in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

**God was in Christ, to reconcile the world
to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation
he has entrusted to us.**

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 15:1-10

or longer form **Lk 15:1-32**

There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Rule-obsessed Pharisees complained that Jesus 'welcomes sinners and eats with them'. So, who are 'sinners'? The word commonly used in the Gospels for sin is 'hamartia' which refers to an arrow falling short of the target.

Our target is sharing in the life of God, but we often miss the mark, falling short through laziness and negligence, sometimes by deliberately shooting the arrow of our life in the wrong direction. We need the forgiveness of God, expressed in the hospitality of Jesus Christ, to encourage us to aim better.

At every Mass, we are invited to share in the re-enactment of Jesus' expert drawing of the bow, letting fly and perfectly hitting the mark in his life, death, resurrection and ascension to heavenly glory.

We could pause for a moment to pray that Jesus may encourage and empower us to be the archers we are meant to be.

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