



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



Parish Bulletin Third Sunday of Lent Year A 12 March 2023



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 MARCH For victims of abuse

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

We pray for ourselves, that this Lenten Season inspires us to undertake renewal of heart and mind.

We pray for our deceased loved ones and our deceased parishioners.

We pray that those fleeing the crisis in Ukraine are welcomed at the borders with food, shelter, hope and opportunity. May they find compassion and support in their journey forward.



We pray for our sick and infirm family, friends and parishioners; may the light of God's presence bring them healing and comfort:

Val Perkins, Samantha Deans, Anna Vincent, John Caldwell, Marilyn Knight, Tom Kennedy, Jim Parkes, Patricia Guthrie, Peter Hopkins, John Elliott, Betty Cowell, Jen Farrell, Joyce Cotterill, Heather Whitby, Larry Bedingfield, Margo Birmingham



PARISH CALENDAR

Wed: Mass Bombala 9.30am

Thu: Lenten Program
Delegate 1.30pm

Fri: **Feast Saint Patrick**

Sun: Mass Delegate 8am
*Morning Tea to follow
St Joseph's School Centre
Mass Bombala 10am*



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Tony Brady, Kevin Crotty
Kathy Fitness

March Anniversaries

Lorna Callaway, Patricia Casey
Una Collins, John Coman
Olga Cotton, Edna Cottrell
Murray Garnock, Terrence Ingram
John Jones, Ruth McKay
Anne Moreing, Neville Murphy
Chris Philbrick, George Reed
Enid Stewart, Thelma Stewart
Andre Teschke, Rita Thornton
Myra Walker



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

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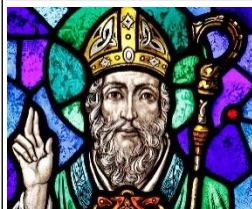
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Please assist the team by having items in by Wednesday pm.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



"Christ with me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me".

Saint Patrick

Saint Patrick was born in Britain, during the Roman period. He was taken to Ireland to become a slave, against his own will. After he was freed, Saint Patrick became a priest and was later made a bishop of Ireland. He died on March 17, 465, aged 78 years and is buried near the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity – known as Down Cathedral in Downpatrick, Northern Island.



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**
FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS

**Envelopes
are now
available at
both
Bombala &
Delegate
churches.**

Quotes and Thoughts
SAINT MARY
OF THE CROSS
MACKILLOP



Let us ever remember we have been called by God and
God has a right to our perfect service. (12.3.1899)
To you all then, my dear Sisters, I wish a very happy Feast. (14.3.1892)
Mary MacKillop returns to Rome, 1874.
Take care of yourself and don't work beyond your strength. (17.3.1901)



Prayer of the Faithful



Response: (R)
Lord, hear our prayer

CELEBRANT/LEADER: The Lord is our light and our help, may the light of his transfiguration shine in our lives as we pray for the needs of the Church and the world.

READER: We pray that all Church members may be faithful through prayer, fasting and almsgiving in this time of preparation for Easter. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the unity of all Christians. May we join together to manifest God's love and presence in every part of our world. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the sick of our parish and for all who have asked for our prayers. We commend to your love those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they now be in eternal peace. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

Loving God, strengthen us to stand in solidarity with women experiencing injustices around the world. We pray that we may have the courage to hope and work for a better future where all women experience equality and justice. We pray to the Lord **(R)**

For a spirit of hope in our world. May those who find themselves in darkness, depression or addiction be awakened by a renewed awareness of God's Word. 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...**

CELEBRANT/LEADER: Loving God may we come to know you through your Son Jesus Christ, who is the way the truth and the life. We make this prayer through Jesus or Lord. **Amen**

READINGS

FIRST READING: *Ex 17:3-7 The Book of Exodus*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **(R)**

2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **(R)**

3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work. **(R)**

SECOND READING: *Rom 5:1-2. 5-8 St Paul to the Romans*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world;

give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: *John Jn 4:5-42 Gospel according to John*

1. Come To The Water *Frank Andersen*

Refrain: Come to the water! You who are thirsty! Though you have nothing, I bid you come! And be filled with the goodness I have to offer! Come! Listen! Live.

1. Why spend your money on what cannot fill
The emptiness deep in your heart? Listen to My
word and you will enjoy, Goodness and peace in
your heart! **R**

2. Just as the heavens are high above earth;
My ways and thoughts beyond you! Call me your
Father and know I am near! I will be Father to you! **R**

2: I am the Bread of Life *Suzanne Toolan SM*

1. I am the bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger;
you who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me unless the Father draw him. **R**

Refrain: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.

2. The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and you who eat of this bread,
you shall live forever; you shall live forever. **R**

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The Jewish people worshipped at the Temple in Jerusalem. The Samaritans to the north worshipped on Mount Gerizem. But Jesus says to the woman of Samaria: 'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth. We do this by acknowledging Jesus Christ as our sacred site. Jesus is where God is to be found. In his earthly ministry this was around places like the well in Samaria. As Risen Lord, he is to be found in those in dire need, and in the Heavenly Bread. In both cases we need to incline the body as an act of worship: in the case of the needy, by doing something practical; in the case of the Heavenly Bread, by genuflecting, bowing, before the Blessed Sacrament. We could pause for a moment to reorientate ourselves to the Sacred Site who is the Risen Christ, acknowledging him as indeed the 'Saviour of the World. *mtate@bigpond.com*

