



# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



## PARISH BULLETIN 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, 20 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

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



### 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 who have been ordained to priestly ministry, that they will find joy and peace in the service of God's people.

We pray for the faithful volunteers who visit people in prisons, hospitals and aged care homes, that their care and compassion will give new heart to those who have lost their independence.

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 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

TUE St John Paul II



*Be not afraid!*

WED Mass Bombala 9.30am  
Saint John of Capistrano  
THU Saint Anthony Claret  
SAT LW&HC Delegate 5pm  
SUN Mass Bombala 9am



### REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

#### Recently Deceased

Andy Murdoch, Betty Callaway  
Sr Margaret-Mary 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."

**Mission Sunday - Today is Mission Sunday** when the Church commemorates the work of missionaries around the world. Catholic Mission is holding its Annual Parish Appeal to help support its work. This year there is a particular focus on the work of the Church in Mongolia in providing health and education services. Please join the people around Australia who contribute to Catholic Mission. Envelopes are available for cash or credit card donations, or you can donate on-line. If you like you can take an envelope home and bring it back next week.



A journey with  
**SAINT MARY**  
of the Cross  
**MACKILLOP**



I wish not to care, if I can please God and do my duty. (28.8.1864)  
God won't ask how others do the work .....  
but He will ask you how you have done yours. (14.12.1890)  
Out of every cross God wishes us to merit by making  
it an occasion of pleasing Him. (29.10.1895)  
*Birth of Peter MacKillop, Mary's brother, 26.10.1857.*

# October,

The month of the

# Holy Rosary



## OCTOBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The Catholic Church traditionally dedicates each month to a specific devotion, with October dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The month includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7, commemorating the 1571 victory of Catholic naval forces over the Turkish fleet at the Battle of Lepanto. This victory, attributed to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Rosary, marked a turning point in preventing the Islamic invasion of Europe. Celebrating October by praying the Rosary honours this devotion.

### FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

**Anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant.**

Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.

**Daily Prayer Intention** - We pray for the church at large, that the Synod on Synodality will be infused with the spirit of Francis of Assisi and his love of nature and the poor.

**Weekly Prayer Intention** - We pray for the people of Australia, that the visit of King Charles and Queen Camilla (18-26 October) will prompt reflection on our strengths, challenges and responsibilities as a nation.



### Prayer of the Faithful

**Response: (R)**  
**Lord, hear our prayer**



**CELEBRANT/LEADER:** Dear friends, Jesus' mission among us was one of service and solidarity. In that spirit, let us pray for the whole world to know his saving power.

**READER:** For the global church, that today's World Mission Sunday will impel the faithful to go out and invite everyone to the banquet of life. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

**For** those taking part in the Synod on Synodality, that their final week of discussion and discernment will bear lasting fruit for the life and mission of the church. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

**For** all who are engaged in the formation of future priests or religious, that they will guide them wisely along the way of Jesus, servant and shepherd. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

**For** the human family, that this week's United Nations Day (24 October) will kindle fresh hopes for world-wide peace, especially in the Middle East, Ukraine and Sudan. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

**For** the children of Australia, that National Children's Week will highlight their right to inherit a clean and safe environment. 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**



A police officer pulls over a carload of nuns. The police officer says, "Sister, this is a 55 MPH highway. Why are you going so slow?"

The Sister replies, "Sir, I saw a lot of signs that said 41, not 55." The police officer answers, "Oh, Sister, that's not the speed limit, that's the name of the highway you are on!" The Sister says, "Oh! Silly me! Thanks for letting me know. I will be more careful." At this point, the police officer looks in the backseat where the other nuns are shaking and trembling. The police officer asks, "Excuse me, Sister, what's wrong with your friends back there? They are shaking something terrible." The Sister answers, "Oh, we just got off Highway 101."



### LOOKING BACK 14 YEARS AGO Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish begins celebrations for Mary MacKillop Canonisation.

Mayor Bob Stewart officially launched the much anticipated Cheese and Wine Evening, marking the commencement of Bombala's celebrations for the canonisation of Mary MacKillop. In his opening remarks, he shared that "the council is preparing a series of tributes to honour the Sisters of Saint Joseph and to celebrate the sainthood of Mary MacKillop, who visited Bombala in both 1899 and 1901." The Bombala-Delegate community proudly acknowledges the lasting impact of 123 years of dedicated service from 105 Sisters of Saint Joseph in Bombala, and 60 in Delegate, all of whom have upheld Mary MacKillop's spirit and legacy in the region to this day. Present to welcome the Mayor was Sr Helen Madden rsj, the current pastoral associate of the parish. She graciously presented him with a commemorative bottle of Saddleback Mountain Red wine from Crooked River Winery, Gerringong. The wine's name carries a special connection to Mary MacKillop, as it evokes Saddleback Mountain, which overlooks Jamberoo Valley, where she established a school in 1883. Reflecting on this, Sr Helen remarked, "I'm certain that Mary often looked up toward that mountain, seeking God's guidance in her work." During her visits to Bombala in 1899 and 1901, Mary MacKillop stayed at the original Convent, which now serves as Lavender House and Information Centre, a living testament to her presence in the community. Sr Helen encouraged attendees to visit Lavender House, inviting them to "take a moment from your busy lives to walk through its grounds, stroll quietly along its corridors, and reflect in its rooms. Perhaps, as you do, Mary MacKillop's spirit will touch your heart, inspiring you to walk beside someone in need, a person who is homeless, someone who is unwell or elderly, a young soul searching for meaning, or anyone vulnerable." The next event in the parish celebrations is planned for October 9 in Delegate. This special day will feature an Open Garden and another delightful Cheese and Wine Tasting, continuing the community's tribute to Mary MacKillop's enduring legacy.



# HYMNS - ONE LICENSE 3642645A

## 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? **R**

**Refrain: 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? **R**

## 3. The Fullness of God *Fr Frank Andersen*

1. Deep in Christ I pray you know the power He can give.  
 May your hidden self grow strong and may you live,  
 Strong in faith and built on love, until you know –  
 How high and long, how wide and deep, the fullness of  
 God

2. May the God of Jesus Christ, the Father we serve  
 Fill your minds that you may see, deep in your heart  
 What hope his call now holds for you,  
 His promise true, to fill your hearts with power to live,  
 the fullness of God.

## 2. A Trusting Psalm *Kevin Bates*

**Refrain: Lord let your mercy be on us  
 as we place our trust in you.**

1. The word of the Lord is faithfulness and love.  
 His love can never be measured.  
 His beauty is like nothing we have ever seen,  
 so let us place our trust in him. **R**

2. The word of the Lord means a patient, gentle God.  
 His love can never grow weary.  
 His mercy is as though our sins have never been,  
 if we can place our trust in him. **R**

## 4. City Of God *Dan Schutte*

1. Awake from your slumber, Arise from your sleep  
 A new day is dawning, For all those who weep  
 The people in darkness, Have seen a great light  
 The lord of our longing, Has conquered the night. **R**

**Refrain: Let us build the city of God, May our tears  
 Be turned into dancing, For the Lord  
 Our light and our love, Has turned the night into day.**

2. We are sons of the morning, We are children of day.  
 The one who has loved us, Has brightened our way.  
 The lord of all kindness, Has called us to be  
 A light for his people, To set their hearts free. **R**



**GO AND INVITE  
 EVERYONE**  
*to the banquet* 

This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Mongolia to help deliver essential services to people who need it most. Lack of access and social stigma mean that some of the most vulnerable people are not getting the support they require.

**The House of Mercy will provide a haven for many people, including those affected by homelessness and domestic violence. Without your partnership, people in need will go without the assistance they require.**

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to "Invite others to the banquet", and we invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our brothers and sisters who need it most in Mongolia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at [catholicmission.org.au/mongolia](http://catholicmission.org.au/mongolia), or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.



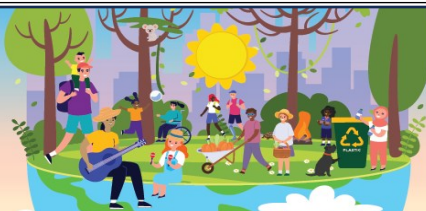
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SCAN ME



**In his October prayer intention for a shared mission**, Pope Francis is asking us all to relate to one another as family. Pope Francis' request for prayers this month is simple and should hardly need asking for. That he does ask and feels the need to cloak his request in such big words as synodal lifestyle and co-responsibility, shows just how important it is. Put simply, Pope Francis wants us Catholics to relate to one another as brothers and sisters and to work with one another in our common calling to follow Jesus. It is the sort of thing that families do in learning how to say thank you, sorry, and please, in sharing responsibility, and in being hospitable. That is not too much to ask, and it should come naturally. It is messy but not difficult to understand. It is a way of living.

**Children's Week**  
 Friday 18 – Sunday 27 October  
**2024**



**For the children of Australia, that National Children's Week will highlight their right to inherit a clean and safe environment.**



# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**

**20 October 2024**

## First Reading **Is 53:10-11**

*If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, and have long life.*

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.  
If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life  
and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.  
His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content.  
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many,  
taking their faults on himself.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22**

*(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.*

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. *(R.)*
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love. to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. *(R.)*
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. *(R.)*

## Second Reading **Heb 4:14-16**

*Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.*

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

## Gospel Acclamation **Mk 10:45**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.**

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel **Mk 10:35-45**

**(or shorter form Mk 10:42-45)**

*The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.*

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The sons of Zebedee expected Jesus to lead a Messianic revolt to throw off the yoke of imperial Rome. But they wanted to be part of a similar sort of power structure. They had not grasped that Jesus had come to turn that sort of society upside down.

However, over the centuries, the Church took on much of the trappings of power of imperial Rome. The popes governed much of Italy. Giuseppe Garibaldi was one of those generals who defeated the forces defending the Papal States, and in doing so actually liberated the papacy from its role as feudal overlord of much of Italy.

In the course of the campaign, when despondent, Garibaldi often reflected on the delightful time he spent on Three Hummock Island just off the coast of Tasmania. So we may say that the liberation of the papacy, enabling it to respond more clearly to today's Gospel, began in Tasmania!

Pope Francis embodies the spirit of today's Gospel. He rails against a Church exhibiting 'the leprosy of a feudal court'. Rather, he has said: 'I see the Church as a field hospital after battle. Heal the wounds, heal the wounds.' And in his actions he has shown himself as a true 'Servant of the servants of God' as Jesus commands in today's Gospel.

We may pause for a moment to pray for Pope Francis that he may have the strength and time to persevere in his responding to today's Gospel so that the papacy may be truly liberated so as to practise a radically different way of exercising leadership in the Church and for the world.

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