



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN: 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B, 7 JULY 2024



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Response:(R) Lord, hear our prayer

LEADER: Dear friends, drawn together by our shared faith in Jesus, let us open our hearts to the gift of God's power and place our troubled world in God's good hands.

READER: For Pope Francis and all church leaders, that they will bear faithful witness to God's saving grace, both in season and out of season. We pray to the Lord. (R)

For the First Peoples of Australia and the Torres Strait, that this week's NAIDOC celebrations will stir them to 'Keep the fire burning' and stay 'Blak, loud and proud.' We pray to the Lord. (R)

For all who are homeless this winter, that with the active help of individuals, communities and agencies they will find the shelter and support they need. We pray to the Lord. (R)

For all who are serving sentences in Australian gaols, especially young indigenous people, that their time in prison will help and not hinder their readiness for life in the community. We pray to the Lord. (R)

For the sick of the parish and for all who have asked for our prayers. For the recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries we recall at this time. May they rejoice in the fullness of life promised to them as faithful followers of Jesus. We pray to the Lord. (R)

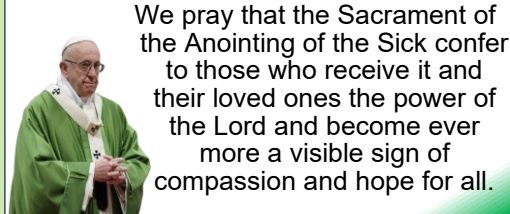
For Our Lady's intercession for all our needs and especially for the people in war torn places. We pray **Hail Mary**...

LEADER: God of boundless mercy, your Son lived among us in a human family that we might all become his sisters and brothers in spirit. Help us hear and heed his word. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **AMEN**



PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION JULY For the pastoral care of the sick



We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

We pray for a church that owns up to its weakness, that it might truly become the field hospital imagined by Pope Francis.

We pray for our parish community, that the word and sacrament of this eucharist will strengthen us in faith and the following of Jesus.

We pray for rural dioceses & parishes, their spirits bold, that they may discover inventive ways to build bridges of faith, keeping the Gospel's message alive with every step.



We pray for our sick family members, friends and fellow parishioners. May the soothing presence of God's light grant them healing and solace.

Terry Perkins, Kath Farrell, Chris Cuttle, Harry & Mary Anne Dillon, Val Perkins, Barbara Brownlie, Jim Parkes, Jen Farrell, Heather Whitby, Marlene Kennedy, Kim Peisley, John & Anna Vincent, Betty Cowell, Patricia Guthrie, John Elliott, Tom Kennedy, Larry Bedingfield, Ashton & Danielle Hurley, Peter Hopkins



PARISH CALENDAR

Tue: Saint Augustine Zhao
Wed: Mass Bombala 9.30am
Thu: Saint Benedict
Sat: LW&HC Delegate 5pm
Saint Henry
Sun: LW&HC Bombala 9am



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

Recently Deceased

Stuart Hurley, Mark Ingram
July Anniversaries

Beatrice Abrahams,
Kevin Bedingfield, Shirley Bedingfield,
Brian Callaghan,
Vincent Clear, Stanley Collins
John Cusack, Claude Elliott
Jack Eppelstun, Kevin Ingram,
Lou Joseph, Gwen Kimber,
Val Lasker, Meryl Lock,
Fr Barney Lynch
Jean Manning, Beryl Morgan
Sr Bridget O'Halloran
Bryan O'Hehir, Martin Page
Judy Periera, Janie Roberts
Graham Rumph, Bert Smith
Peter Stewart, Jean Talbot
Jim Walker, Emily Williams



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



KEEP THE FIRE BURNING! BLAK, LOUD AND PROUD

7-14 JULY 2024



A journey with
SAINT MARY
of the Cross
MACKILLOP

We must do the will of Him we love. (9.7.1874)

God is so good. (10.7.1870)

God is truly good to us all. (9.7.1873)

Let not weakness make you discouraged. (4.7.1876)

*Marriage of Flora and Alexander MacKillop,
St Francis Church, Melbourne, 14.7.1840.*

READINGS

FIRST READING: PROPHET EZEKIEL

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you up to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: OUR EYES ARE FIXED ON THE LORD, PLEADING FOR HIS MERCY.

1. To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens: my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords. (R)

2. Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of his mistress, so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he shows us his mercy. (R)

3. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. We are filled with contempt. Indeed, all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the proud man's disdain. (R)

SECOND READING: ST PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So, I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

GOSPEL OF MARK:

Jesus went to his hometown and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

REFLECTION BY GREG SUNTER This week's gospel sees Jesus returning to his hometown of Nazareth. He is well and truly into his public ministry at this point in the gospel and his reputation is obviously growing as a healer and teacher. When he goes to Nazareth the locals are quick to 'put him in his place'. They remember the boy, the teenager, the young man apprenticed to his father's craft. He's a nobody as far as they are concerned; just young Yeshua (Jesus) who grew up here. It is much the same within families and local communities today. No matter how successful and authoritative a young woman or man may have become, a trip home will quickly remind them that in the eyes of those they grew up with nothing has changed. In the gospel passage they even say, that's Jesus – he's just James' brother; no one special! Why would they think they had anything to learn from a brat who grew up in their own town? What could he possibly tell them? They try to force Jesus back into the mould of the person with whom they were previously familiar and comfortable. We do this to one another all the time. We have certain expectations about the way a friend normally acts or thinks and when they behave differently we react in a way that lets them know that they are not 'being themselves'. In doing this, we are looking to maintain our own comfort zone. We take away the freedom of the other person to grow and change. Many people seem to enter into relationships thinking that neither of them will ever change. This, of course, is an unsustainable assumption. Surely, if we want the best for those we love and care for, we want them to be constantly growing and becoming all that they can be?

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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**

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**

3. Prayer of St Francis *Various*

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me
bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, And
where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life,
let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, only light, And
where there's sadness, ever joy.

**Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek, So much to be
consoled as to console. To be understood as to
understand. To be loved as to love with all my soul.**

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that
we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that
we're born to eternal life.

4. Be Not Afraid *St Louis Jesuits*

1. You shall cross the barren desert, But you shall not die of
thirst. You shall wander far in safety, Though you do not know
the way. You shall speak your words to foreign men. And they
will understand. You shall see the face of God and live. **R**

**Refrain: Be not afraid, I go before you always
Come, follow me and I will give you rest**

2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea, You shall not
drown, If you walk amid the burning flames
You shall not be harmed, If you stand before the power of hell,
And death is at your side, Know that I am with you through it
all. **R**