



# Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



**PARISH BULLETIN Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year C 8 May 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

**We pray** for all young people, called to live life to the fullest: may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

**We pray** for peace in our world; for all the countries with unrest and especially for the people of Ukraine.

**We pray** for our Principal, Mrs Tighe, the teaching staff and the students at St Joseph's school now they have commenced Term 2, 2022.

**We pray** for all in our community of Bombala-Delegate who are suffering or lonely, and for those who care for them.

**We pray** for our deceased relatives and friends that they are in the place which Jesus prepared for them.

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

Tom Kennedy, John Elliott (Eilie's son), John Reardon (Alice's brother), Jack Ventry, Audrey Day, Therese Rumph, Judy Pierera, Libby McGruer, Moira Tindale, Betty Cowell, Joyce Cotterill, Jen Farrell, Heather Whitby, Larry Bedingfield, Yvonne Murphy, Margo Birmingham.

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*Please assist the team by having items in by Wednesday pm. Items may come in by phone, note or email.*



## PARISH CALENDAR

**Sun:** World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
**Mother's Day**

**Tue:** St John of Avila

**Wed:** Mass 9.30am Bombala

**Fri:** Our Lady of Fatima

**Sat:** St Matthias

**Sun:** Mass 8am Delegate  
Mass 10am Bombala



## REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

### Recently Deceased

Heather Haylock, Bob Caldwell, Edna Reed, Anna Keating

### May Anniversaries

Sr Dominica Bampton, Kay Bedingfield, Brian Cootes, Kitch Cottrell, Ena Crawford, Ted Crawford, Mae Elliott, Harold Farrell, Sr Bede Hintz, Winnie Ingram, Don Knight, Betty Lomas, Peter Perkins, Kay Reed, Mary Smith, Lesley Smith, Don Stewart, Melrose Thornton, Daryl White, Errol Wilson.

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

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

**"Our prime purpose in this life is to help others, And, if you cannot help them, at least don't hurt them"**  
*Dalai Lama*

*World Day of*  
**PRAYER**  
*for Vocations*

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

In the historical Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, it was also nicknamed Jubilate Sunday and in later years Good Shepherd Sunday. In 1964, Pope Paul VI established a World Day of Prayer for Vocations. For this reason, this day is also known in the Catholic Church as Vocations Sunday.



**ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP**



*May God bless and keep you and give you courage. 17.8.1875*

*God's ways and ours are so very different. 15.11.1878*

*May each succeeding birthday find you nearer to the Sacred Heart, resting with a loving and tranquil heart in the dear Will of God. (Mary to her mother) 3.6.1873*

*In God and for God. 12.7.1888*

May  
Month of  
Mary



*Mary, I depend on you totally as a child on its mother, that in return you may possess me, protect me, and transform me into Jesus. May the light of your faith dispel the darkness of my mind; may your profound humility take the place of my pride; may your contemplation replace the distractions of my wandering imagination; and may your virtues take the place of my sins. Lead me deeper into the mystery of the cross and share your experience of Jesus's thirst with me.*

*Saint Teresa of Calcutta – Mother Teresa*



## FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

### Be kind to yourself

We need to cease highlighting our flaws and understand that God's love makes us perfect.

## Weekly Prayer Intention

We pray for all who profess to follow Christ, that the Spirit of God will teach them the power and the wisdom of the cross.

## Daily Prayer Intention

We pray for peacemakers in every sphere of human life, that they will defuse hatred and heal division.

## Prayer of the Faithful

**LEADER:** Let us bring our needs before God, confident that he will listen to us because we are the sheep of his flock.

**READER:** For all who are called to be shepherds of your flock in the Christian Churches: guide them in your ways that people everywhere may know your care and compassion.

**We pray to the Lord.**

For those who make our laws and apply them: that they may be blessed with the gifts of wisdom and compassion.

**We pray to the Lord.**

For people who continue to suffer in countries torn by war and terrorism and for all aid and relief workers.

**We pray to the Lord.**

For those who are sick or in pain, for the confused and infirm: help us to tend the wounds of those who suffer.

**We pray to the Lord.**

For our deceased relatives and friends, especially those whose anniversaries occur at this time: may they share in the undying love of God. **We pray to the Lord.**

For Our Lady's intercession for all our needs and especially for the people of Ukraine.

**We pray.....Hail Mary....**

**LEADER:** Loving God, help us to attune our listening to the sound of Jesus' voice in our daily lives. We make this prayer in Jesus' name. **AMEN**

## POPE LAMENTS UKRAINE WAR AND CRUEL BOMBARDMENT OF MARIUPOL



Pope Francis on Sunday last described the war in Ukraine as a "macabre regression of humanity" and said the city of Mariupol had been "barbarously bombarded and destroyed." However, the Pope did not specifically say that Russia was responsible for the war or the assault on Mariupol in keeping with the Vatican's policy of avoiding direct criticism of Moscow.

In a 15-minute speech to thousands of people in Saint Peter's Square, the Pope said that his "thoughts go immediately to the Ukrainian city of Mariupol, the city of Mary, barbarously bombarded and destroyed."

For Catholics, the month of May is dedicated to Mary, the mother of God.

Shortly after his address, the Pope then took to Twitter to spread his message in Ukrainian, Russian and English. The Pope also renewed calls for "safe humanitarian corridors" to be established for people trapped in Mariupol. Over the weekend, both Ukrainian and Russian sources reported that a small group of people managed to escape the city's besieged Azovstal steelworks. But some 1,000 people were reported to be still trapped inside.

In describing the conflict as "a macabre regression of humanity," the Pope also wondered aloud whether there was a real willingness to avoid an ongoing military and verbal escalation and to "silence the weapons."

"I suffer and I cry thinking of the suffering of the Ukrainian people, in particular the weakest, the elderly and the children," he said.



"O God, Father of all mercies, we praise and thank you for every good gift from on high. Call labourers into your vineyard to sow your seeds of faith, love and hope. May priests be ardent yet gentle ministers of your Gospel."



*Two novice ministers both wanted a cigarette while they prayed. They decided to ask their superior for permission. The first asked but was told no. A little while later he spotted his friend smoking and praying. "Why did the superior allow you to smoke and not me?" he asked. His friend replied, "Because you asked if you could smoke while you prayed, and I asked if I could pray while I smoked!"*

*Sergeant to Private Wilson:  
"Wilson, I didn't see you at  
Camouflage Training  
this morning!!"*

*Wilson: "Thank you, Sir."*

**1. LIKE A SHEPHERD** *Bob Dufford*

**Refrain:**

*Like a shepherd he feeds his flock,  
And gathers the lambs in his arms.  
Holding them carefully close to his heart,  
Leading them home.*

1: Say to the cities of Judah prepare the way of the Lord  
Go to the mountain top lift your voice  
Jerusalem here is your God. **R**

2. I myself will shepherd them  
For others have led them astray.  
The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds  
And pasture them giving them rest. **R**

**2. THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD** *Brian Boniwell*

1. The Lord is my Shepherd, and I want to follow,  
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.  
Over the mountains, the waters and by-ways,  
valleys and highways he's waiting for me. **R**

**Refrain**

*I want to go to meet him there, to lay myself down  
in his love.*

*The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow,  
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.*

2. And while on the journey to where we are going,  
he promised to be there to help us along.  
And over the mountains we'll walk on together,  
to know all the wonders he's given to me. **R**



*A Mother's Day Prayer*

*Dear Lord,*

*Please watch over  
and support all mothers  
on earth and in heaven . . .*

*and help them to know how much  
they are loved and appreciated  
on Mother's Day and every day.*



**Looking Back - May 1951  
Around the Parish**

Bombala School Auxiliary has started a new drive to pay for eleven new desks, an expensive item these days. Mrs C Elliott helped by Mrs A Peisley, staged a very happy Juvenile Dance and cleared £13/3/-. Allen Ferris made his debut as MC and they say he's in the "Happy Kerrison" class. Charlie Kimber watched the door.

Miss Russell, helped by Mrs Geoff Stewart, cleared £16/13/- from the street stall for the Delegate Convent Appeal.

Bombala Children of Mary will be holding Invitation Dances in the School on the Benediction Sunday nights twice a month. Half past ten is the limit and guests are expected first to be present at Benediction.

Five little First Communicants made the angels sing on Ascension Thursday in Bombala. They were Jan Bedingfield, Carol Atkins, Penny Elton, Ann Mawson and Don Crotty.



**MONTHLY MESSAGE FROM THE MEDJUGORJE WEB**

"Dear children! I am looking at you and I see that you are lost. That is why I am calling all of you: return to God, return to prayer – and the Holy Spirit will fill you with His love which gives joy to the heart.

Hope will grow in you, also for a better future, and you will become joyful witnesses of God's merry in you and around you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**PROJECT COMPASSION**

Please bring in any Project Compassion boxes or envelopes that you may have. We need to add up all the contents and send them to Canberra ASAP.

Thank you.

**TEMPORARY MASS/LWHC SCHEDULE - MAY 2022**

	Date:	Bombala	Delegate	Cooma	Nimmitabel
1	1/05/2022	Vigil Mass Sat 6pm	Vigil Mass Sat 4.30pm	Mass Sun 10am & 5pm	LWHC Sat 5/6pm
2	8/05/2022	LWHC Sun 9am	LWHC Sat 5/6pm	Mass Sun 10am LWHC 5pm	LWHC Sat 5/6pm
3	15/05/2022	Mass Sun 10am	Mass Sun 8am	Mass Sun 10am & 5pm	Vigil Mass Sat 5/6pm
4	22/05/2022	LWHC Sun 9am	LWHC Sat 5/6pm	Mass Sun 10am & 5pm	LWHC Sat 5/6pm
5	29/05/2022	LWHC Sun 9am	LWHC Sat 5/6pm	Mass Sun 10am LWHC 5pm	Vigil Mass Sat 5/6pm





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**Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year C**

**8 May 2022**

## First Reading Acts 13:14, 43-52

*We are now turning to the gentiles.*

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 99:1-3. 5. R. v.3**

*(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*  
or

*(R.) Alleluia.*

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy. *(R.)*
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. *(R.)*
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age. *(R.)*

## Second Reading Rv 7:9, 14-17

*The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.*

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

## Gospel Acclamation Jn 10:14

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;**

**I know my sheep, and mine know me.**

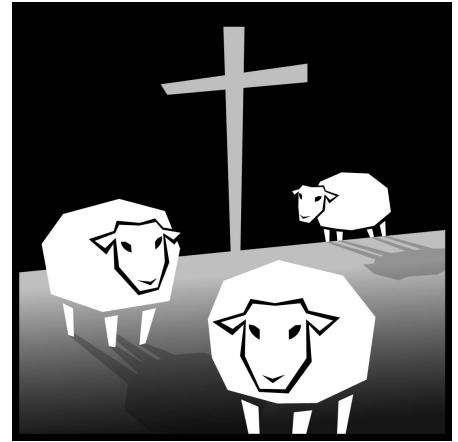
**Alleluia!**

## Gospel Jn 10:27-30

*I give my sheep eternal life.*

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;  
I know them and they follow me.  
I give them eternal life;  
they will never be lost  
and no one will ever steal them from me.  
The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,  
and no one can steal from the Father.  
The Father and I are one.'



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

You and I are Gentiles – part of the non-Jewish world. We are the sort of Christians we are, because of St Paul. He became the strongest advocate of the grace that the early Christian community should be inclusive of all nations and tribes and ethnic groups on the face of the earth. We have not yet realised this potential.

What riches of intellectual traditions, cultural expressions, and organisational structure are we still to receive from the Chinese, the Korean, the Indonesians, the Africans, the Indian Catholics who are part of our 'Church without Borders'?

How do we maintain unity and identity amongst such diversity? By listening for the voice of the Good Shepherd, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

But it takes a good teacher to help us to hear The Voice in the clamour of life.

Some of those teachers may be found amongst the Bishops who carry a shepherd's staff. But at least in my experience the best assistant-shepherds have been my parents, and some others. They have helped me hear The Voice assuring me that I will never perish, that I will receive eternal life.

That is a Voice worth following! We could pause for a moment to get on the same wavelength as the Good Shepherd so as to echo His Voice in our lives.

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