

BOMBALA - DELEGATE CATHOLIC PARISH

IN THE MONARO MISSION

Country of the Yuin and Ngarigo people First Catholics arrived in the area from 1826 as assigned servants (convicts) Scottish, Irish and later German immigrants built up the presence from 1833 First resident priest Fr Patrick Newman 1864 Churches built - Bombala 1867 & 1942, Delegate 1877 & 1915, Cathcart 1878, Corrowong 1894 Schools 1866-1886 (privately Catholic), Bombala 1886, Delegate 1921 Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart (Mary MacKillop) arrived in 1888, continuous ministry for 128 years Monaro & South Coast Parishes transferred to Goulburn Diocese 1917 First priestly vocation - Fr Ernest Baragry ordained as Missionary of the Sacred Heart 1941 (died 1997) Delegate a Parish in its own right 1954-1972. Welcomed the World Youth Day Cross & Icon Feb 2008

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Prayer Intentions The Epiphany of the Lord Year B 6th 7th January 2018

Pope's Intentions; **Religious Minorities in Asia:** That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

For those travelling on the highways, may their journey be safe, their holiday happy and a successful return to home.

For those who have died, may our prayers accompany them to the place that Jesus has prepared for them.

For those killed and injured in the continuing car accidents in NSW this week.

For all the sick in our community; May they experience the compassion of Christ in those who minister to them.

For those who are ill: Margo Birmingham, Braith Frisby, Edna Reed, Moira Tindale, Pat Papalia, Russel, Greg Tett, Veronica McDonald, Rev. Bob Lindbeck, Larry and Shirley Bedingfield, Steven Baseler, Tracey B, Brian Kelly (Maureen P's brother), Ken and Linda Atkins, Dorothy Tawney, Cheryl May, Paul Warren, Trish Guthrie.

Remembering their faith and love:

Sr. Bridie O'Connell, rsj, Gwenn Adcock (anniv 29/1), Val Buckley (anniv 3/2), Phyllis Platts, John Horton, Dick Kennedy, Carol De Jong, Meryl Lock, Jean Talbot, Don Tindale, Sheila White, Clare Birmingham.

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

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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"If we really want to love, we must learn how to forgive" Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish

"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



CHECK THE BULLETIN EACH WEEK FOR MASS/ LITURGY TIMES

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Mon:

Tue:

Wed:	Feast St. John Bosco
	Mass 09:30 am Bombala

- Thu: Sister Teresa to Delegate
- Fri: Adoration 09:30 am???
- Sat: 6 pm Vigil at Delegate
- Sun: 8 am Mass Bombala 10 am Mass Nimmitabel

(No Rosary or Adoration until February)

For Our Monaro Mission

For Vocations: We pray that as a parish within the Monaro Mission we will support each other, our priests and sisters in becoming the Body of Christ for all in the area. We also pray for vocations to the religious life and the priesthood that the generations to come may also hear the Word of God as we have. Keep us working with other churches to share the Gospel. Amen

Howard Thurston, an influential African American Author, puts the work of ministry beyond this time of Christmas into perspective in his poem:

"When the Song of the Angels is Stilled":

When the song of the angels is stilled, When the star in the sky is gone, When the wise men are home, When the shepherds are back with their flocks, The work of Christmas begins To find the lost, To heal the broken, To heal the broken, To feed the hungry, To release the prisoner, To rebuild the nations, To bring peace among people, To make music in the heart.

(Sent to us by Sister Timothy)

THANK YOU:

Thank you from Father Mick and Father George for all the good wishes sent and given to them in the form of cards, gifts and letters of appreciation. This spirit of giving was much appreciated by our two priests.

ROSARY:

A Decade of the Rosary will be said for PEACE IN THE WORLD, commencing at the start time of Mass or Liturgy – then attendees are present and not walking in throughout the Rosary.

"TRUST IN THE LORD; THIS IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS IN LIFE. JESUS NEVER DISAPPOINTS. NEVER."

A new year, new creation, new things, new self – how blessed we are and how generous is our loving God.

These words offer real meaning as we face a year that will present new challenges, new situations, new pressures, new possibilities and new opportunities.

It could be extremely difficult if we have to face these challenges alone. The good news is: we are not alone.

Pope Francis states the Christian life is a constant journey made of hope, made of seeking; a journey that, like that of the Magi, goes on even when the star momentarily disappears from sight.

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Putting our trust in the Lord is the way to enter this New Year.

(Terry Lees, Catholic Leader)

Prayer of the Faithful: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leader: Strengthened in faith by the teaching of Jesus, we ask our God for what we need.

For all Church People: May we be faithful to the teaching of the gospel, proclaiming it as God's word for our time, and may our lives and values witness to its authority and its power to transform people and society We pray to the Lord:

For all who hold public office: That their deeds may match their words. We pray to the Lord:

We pray for peace, for those who suffer from famine and disease and for those whose cultures have been destroyed. We pray to the Lord:

We pray for those who are sick especially those who are alone in their sickness and those with illnesses of the mind. We pray to the Lord:

We pray for children who are sick. We ask God to give them courage. We pray for their families who love them. We pray to the Lord:

For those who have died: We pray that they are in God's presence and enjoying God's life completely. We pray to the Lord:

For Our Lady's intercession for the special prayers of our hearts: We pray, **Hail Mary**..

Leader: Loving God, we thank you for Christ the good teacher. Help us to be faithful to his message and grant what we need through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Weekly Prayer Intention:

The year is still young, still gathering momentum. Pray each day and take to heart, Jesus' words to move us forward: "The kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News."

We pray also for children and teachers starting the new school year, that they will set out together with enthusiasm for the adventure of learning.

St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop said: "Remember we are but travellers here" Lord Jesus, "teach us to number our days, That we may gain wisdom of heart" Psalm 90:12 May we truly listen to your whisper of loving kindness deep within us as we continue on our pilgrim journey to the House of the Father. Amen (Archbishop Christopher Prowse) **Strong and Constant** Frank Andersen I will be Yahweh who walks with you! You will be always within My hand! Take your heart and give it all to Me!

Strong and constant is My love Strong and constant is My love!

Should you wander far away from me I will search for you in every land! Should you call, then you will truly know:

Strong and constant is My love Strong and constant is My love!

When you know sorrow in your life, I will come I will embrace your heart! Through your pain you will discover me!

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"Concerned Catholics of Canberra" – 22 March.

Parishioners, clergy, and friends are invited to the 3rd public forum of Concerned Catholics of Canberra-Goulburn. Francis Sullivan, CEO, Truth Justice and Healing Council, will provide an analysis of the Royal Commission's final report. Contact: Rod Page

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(From Caritas Australia)

WE BELIEVE in the common good. God of love: Today, as the Spirit of Jesus lives and moves among us, we are learning to live in harmony with all your creation. Awaken in us the joy that comes from loving one another, so that all your people may be empowered to live in dignity and freedom in a world alive with the peace that comes with justice. AMEN.

BLESSED BE THE LORD

Dan Shutte

Blest be the Lord; blest be the Lord, the God of mercy,

The God who saves.

I shall not fear the dark of night, nor the arrow that flies by day.

He will release me from the nets of all my foes. He will protect me from their wicked hands. Beneath the shadow of his wings I will rejoice to find a dwelling place secure.

I need not shrink before the terrors of the night, Nor stand alone before the light of day. No harm shall come to me, No arrow strike me down, no evil settle in my soul.

Although a thousand strong have fallen at my side, I'll not be shaken with the Lord at hand. His faithful love is all the armour That I need to wage my battle with the foe.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:

Heavenly Father, help us respond to and live out our mission in the Church. Help all your people to know their vocation in life and assist them to prepare for it.

For your greater glory, and for the service of your people, call many to be Priests and Religious. Give those whom you call the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithfully. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

(Serra International)

MARY MACKILLOP:

Have a pure heart and be faithful. 1871 There must be charity and gentleness towards the erring of others. 7.8.1888 Keep up your courage. We do not live here forever. 1890