



I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

### Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The lawyer asked a self-serving question: 'Who is my neighbour?' He could then set the limits, the boundaries of those close enough to merit his concern. Jesus replies with a story to show that the better question is: 'To whom should I be neighbourly?'

The answer is: To any person who is wounded in any way – physically, psychologically, socially, economically. And we have to do so overcoming the labelling, even bigotry, which can conveniently put a person outside the range of our concern. When we act like the Samaritan, we deserve the title 'Catholic' which means universal.


Pope Francis said that Christ is constantly inviting us, as he invited Thomas, to touch His wounds which are to be found in the wounded of our own time.

We could pause for a moment to thank God that we live in an age of technology which can enable us to be truly Catholic global citizens practising Mercy Without Borders. 'Do this and you will live.'







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**St Patrick's Parish Cooma**  
**St Columbkille's Parish Jindabyne**

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**
**13 July 2025**

### First Reading Dt 30:10-14

*Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.*

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

### Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. R. see v.33**

**(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need,  
and you will live.**

1. This is my prayer to you,  
my prayer for your favour.  
In your great love, answer me, O God,  
with your help that never fails:  
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;  
in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
2. As for me in my poverty and pain  
let your help, O God, lift me up.  
I will praise God's name with a song;  
I will glorify him with thanksgiving. (R.)
3. The poor when they see it will be glad  
and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
for the Lord listens to the needy  
and does not spurn his servants in their  
chains. (R.)

4. For God will bring help to Zion  
and rebuild the cities of Judah.  
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;  
those who love his name shall dwell there. (R.)

**or Ps 18:8-11. R. v.9**

### Second Reading Col 1:15-20

*All things were created through him and for him.*

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head.

As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

### Gospel Acclamation See Jn 6:63. 68

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;  
you have the words of everlasting life.  
Alleluia!**

### Gospel Lk 10:25-37

*Who is my neighbour?*

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must





# St Patrick's Parish Cooma

## St Columbkille's Parish Jindabyne



THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C, 13TH JULY 2025

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#### WEEKEND MASS & LW&HC TIMES

#### Adaminaby

No Mass until further notice

#### Berridale

4th Sunday

Vigil Mass Saturday 3.30pm

All other Sundays

LW&HC 10am Sunday

#### Cooma

Mass Sunday 10am

Mass Tue, Thu & Fri 10am

Except 3rd Friday

Mass Yallambee Lodge 9.30am

Mass Hudson House Respect 11am

#### Jindabyne

2nd & 4th Sunday

Vigil Mass Saturday 5pm

All other Sundays

LW&HC 5pm Saturday

#### Nimmitabel

5th Sunday

Vigil Mass Saturday 5pm

All other Sundays

LW&HC 5pm Saturday

#### Numeralla

2nd Sunday LW&HC 5pm

4th Sunday Mass 5pm



### PRAYER INTENTIONS

#### POPES INTENTION JULY

#### For formation in discernment

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.



#### Daily Prayer Intention –

We pray for ourselves as beneficiaries of Australia's blessings, that we will have the freedom to change to ensure those blessings are fairly shared across the whole community.

#### Weekly Prayer Intention –

We pray for all baptised believers, that by lives of joyful faith and generous love they will draw many to the gospel of Jesus.



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

With these crosses  
He gives many precious graces to  
make the soul bear them. (6.7.1870)  
Bear your little trials with  
patience and love. (4.7.1876)



### PARISH CALENDAR

#### Week 14th July

MON NO weekday Mass  
TUE 10am Mass  
St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor

WED Bombala Mass tbc  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel

THU 10am Mass  
FRI 10am Mass

SAT Mass Jindabyne 5pm  
Saturday Mass of Virgin Mary  
LW&HC Nimmitabel 5pm

SUN Mass Cooma 10am  
Berridale Mass at 10am

We welcome safely home  
Fr Mark Croker



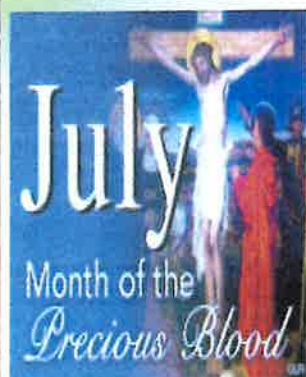
### REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

#### Recently Deceased

Mary Penfold cousin of Robin  
Fletcher, Mary Hanna, Graeme  
Russell

#### Anniversaries

Stuart Fletcher, Tom Dennis,  
Keith Tozer and Debbie Tozer,  
Fred Hanna



### JULY IS DEDICATED TO THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood.  
The feast of the Precious Blood of our Lord was  
instituted in 1849 by Pius IX, but the devotion is as old as  
Christianity. The early Fathers say that the Church was born  
from the pierced side of Christ, and that the sacraments  
were brought forth through His Blood.



### Prayer of the Faithful

Response: (R)  
Lord, hear our prayer



**PRIEST:** Having been nourished by God's word we now bring the needs of all God's people to the Lord.

#### COMMENTATOR:

For those called to leadership in the church: May they proclaim Christ through their ministry of humble service. (pause).. Lord, hear us.

For all those countries which are suffering because of violence or political destabilization, especially Ukraine and Gaza: May people of goodwill everywhere work together to reinstate the stability necessary for peace. (pause) Lord, hear us.

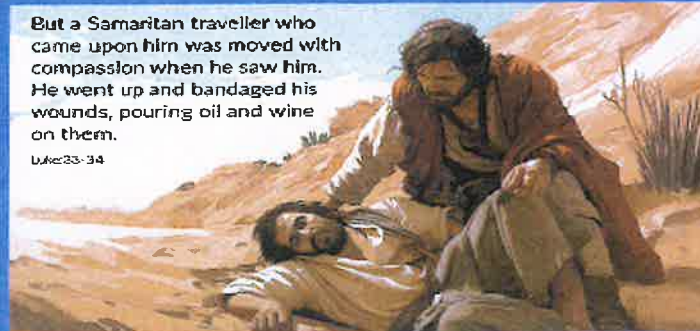
For those in need in society: Like the Good Samaritan may we be conscious of those in our society who are suffering and in need and, like him, may we be generous towards them in time and money. Lord, hear us.

For safe travel on our roads: May all who use our roads during this winter holiday season do so in safety, allowing for the dangerous conditions that exist during this time. Lord hear us.

For all our deceased relatives and friends and for all who had no friends: May they know forever the joy of God's presence. Lord, hear us.

For our own intentions we pray with Mary: Hail Mary....

**PRIEST:** Loving God, we ask these, and all our prayers, through Christ your Son. Amen.



But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them.  
Lk 23:33-34

A man was the final contestant in a competition; if he answered correctly the prize was his.

The question asked, "Who was the first woman?"  
After a few minutes in silence he stated, "I nearly have it!  
But may I have a clue?"

The adjudicator replied! "Think of an apple!"  
The prompt answer came "Granny Smith."



### FINDING GOD IN OUR WORLD

Prayer Everywhere There are no constraints on when, where or how we pray.

#### Daily Prayer Intention –

**We pray** We pray for all baptised believers, that by lives of joyful faith and generous love they will draw many to the gospel of Jesus.



### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

#### Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time / Year C

First: Gn 18:1-10

Second: Col 1:24-28

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42



### ROSTER

|                           | 13/07                     | 20/07                        |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Acolyte</b>            | Darren Steinke            | Kaitlyn Bosco                |
| <b>Usher</b>              | Kathleen B                | Terri Rick                   |
| <b>Reader/Commentator</b> | Jeremiah Abrokwhah        | Kevin Dunne Susan Tighe      |
| <b>Mass Servers</b>       | Volunteers welcome please |                              |
| <b>Special Minister</b>   | Susan McPhie              | Mike Introna                 |
| <b>Children's Liturgy</b> | Holidays xx               | Resume 27th Jul              |
| <b>Linen</b>              | Jan McLean                | volunteer                    |
| <b>Church Care</b>        | 19th S Bilish & family    | 26th Blyton & Barrett Family |
| <b>Hospital</b>           | Kathleen Bashford         | Joan Simpson                 |
| <b>Flowers</b>            | Claire Nuemeyer           |                              |

**MINISTRY TEAM:** Volunteer Rosters are being prepared for Sep - Feb '26, we would love to hear from you if you are able to assist with the volunteer ministry of our Parish, please phone Parish Office 64522062 and Sharon will be able to assist you with your availability dates. Thank You

### Archbishop's St Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage 9<sup>th</sup> August

Join us for the Archbishop's St Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Eden. This special church has been designated for the Jubilee Year of Hope.

Location - Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Eden (a designated church for the Jubilee Year of Hope)

- Pilgrimage walk at 11.00 am from Sports Ground
- Reconciliation available during the walk
- Mass at 12.00 pm
- Visit Mary MacKillop Hall
- Please arrange your own transport

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