



Bombala-Delegate Catholic Parish



PARISH BULLETIN: SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER , YEAR A, 10 MAY 2026



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Response:(R) Lord, hear our prayer

LEADER: Dear friends, Jesus pledges that we will be enfolded in the love he shares with the Father and the Spirit. Let us pray for all on earth to be so blessed.

READER: For the whole human family, that the brutal wars and tyrannies inflicting immeasurable suffering on so many will come to a swift end. Lord, hear us. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For mothers, step-mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and all who play a maternal role in others' lives, that they will be appreciated every day of the year for the love they give and be forgiven their limitations. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For nations that enjoy an abundance of goods, that they will share their resources generously with those suffering famine, disorder and deprivation. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the federal Treasurer and all who are helping draft this week's federal budget, that they will be guided by principles of fairness, human dignity, the common good and the care of creation. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the sick among our families, friends and parish community, and all who seek our prayers, may they know strength, comfort and healing. For those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries we remember at this time, may they rest in the peace of 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**...

LEADER: Giver of all good things, almighty God, your Spirit of truth guides and teaches us. Keep us faithful to the way of your divine wisdom. We ask this through Christ our risen Lord. **AMEN.**



POPES INTENTION APRIL

That everyone might have food

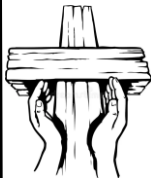
Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



PRAYER INTENTIONS

A Mother's Day Prayer

Lord,
bless all mothers
with strength,
joy, and peace.
Amen.



We pray for those who are sick in our family and community, may they be able to see Christ's presence in their most difficult moments.

Aiden Camm, Adam Crotty, John Elliott
Christine Cowell
Lorna Thornton, Clive Cottrell
Joyce Crotty, John Liston
Roma Brownlie, Jenny Chaplin
Peter & Joyce Reed, Glad Hurley
Jim Parkes, Marilyn Holdsworth
Jen Farrell, Patricia Guthrie
Mary Anne Dillon
Terry Perkins, Kath Farrell, Val Perkins
Kim Peisley, Heather Whitby
Peter Hopkins



PARISH CALENDAR

TUE *Saints Nereus & Achilleus*
WED **Mass Bombala 12.30pm**
Our Lady of Fatima
THU *St Matthias*
SAT **Mass Delegate 3pm**
Afternoon tea in St Joseph's School Centre
Mass Bombala 5pm

HYMNS - ONE LICENSE 3642645A

1.Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

Carey Landry

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of death. Amen.

Gentle woman, quiet light, morning star, so strong and bright, gentle Mother, peaceful dove, teach us wisdom; teach us love.

You were chosen by the Father; you were chosen for the Son. You were chosen from all women and for woman, shining one.

2. 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**



A journey with SAINT MARY of the Cross MACKILLOP

May God be praised for all, and keep me strong. (13.5.1895)
Port Augusta, South Australia, foundation, 1872.



REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

May Anniversaries

Sr Dominica Bampton
Kay Bedingfield, Kitch Cottrell
Ena Crawford, Ted Crawford
Mae Elliott, Harold Farrell
Sr Bede Hintz, Winnie Ingram
Betty Lomas, Sr Irene McCormack
Peter Perkins, Kathleen Reed
Mary Smith, Oscar Thompson
Melrose Thornton, Daryl White





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Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year A

10 May 2026

First Reading Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. see v.1

(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

or

(R.) Alleluia.

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! (R.)
2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. (R.)
3. He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. (R.)
4. Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Pt 3:15-18

In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

**All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and
we will come to them.**

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 14:15-21

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.
I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate
to be with you for ever,
that Spirit of truth
whom the world can never receive
since it neither sees nor knows him;
but you know him,
because he is with you, he is in you.
I will not leave you orphans;
I will come back to you.
In a short time the world will no longer see me;
but you will see me,
because I live and you will live.
On that day
you will understand that I am in my Father
and you in me and I in you.
Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me;
and anybody who loves me will be loved
by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself to him.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Today's Gospel speaks of an advocate. This translates a Greek word: 'paraclete'. Our Lord says: 'I will send you another Paraclete to be with you forever.' Our Lord was a Paraclete, and he would send another.

What does this strange sounding word mean? Here is a hint. We all know that parallel lines run, well, parallel. They run alongside each other. A paraclete is a person who stands alongside someone and pleads their case.

That is how our Lord Jesus Christ saw himself. His role was not to condemn but to plead the case for mercy and compassion, to be the intercessor *par excellence*.

Our Lord promises another Paraclete dwelling within us, individually and as the body of Christ's disciples, the Holy Spirit advocating our cause, assisting us to live Truth-fully by the measure of the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. This Paraclete particularly assists us by acting as the Spirit of Truth.

We could pause for a moment to thank God for the two Paracletes, constantly pleading our case before the Throne of Mercy.

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