

St Joseph's Parish Timboon

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St. Andrew's Simpson

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Invitation On Sunday 2nd April there will be one combined Mass at St Joseph's Church Timboon at 10.45am. All parishioners are invited to this Mass. There will be an acknowledgement of the parishioners who have served on the Parish Leadership Team over the last four years (the PLT finishes its commissioned term of office on 31 March 2017) and recognition of Jean McMeel who has been Moderator of the Parish during this time.

We expect **Fr Murnane** will be back in Timboon celebrating this Mass.
After Mass there will be a light lunch (please bring a plate to share).
We hope you can be there!

Please note this means there is no Mass or other gathering at Simpson on April 2nd.



Nominations for the Parish Pastoral Council

Nominations for the new Parish Pastoral Council will be called for during April. Nomination forms and more details will be available from 2 April. The Parish Secretary continues in his role in the parish and will be an *ex officio* member of the Parish Pastoral Council.

For more information contact Parish Secretary George Swierczek 5598 3193/0439 145 805, or Amanda Smith, Diocesan Pastoral Services, 5337 7125. Father Neville Stanislaus has been appointed parish priest of Camperdown and Timboon and will commence his duties from 1st May. Father Justin Driscoll Vicar-General will be responsible for the Parish of Timboon during April.

Changed operating structure of the Parish.

From 31 March, Timboon Parish stops being a Supervised community-led Parish. The Parish Leadership Team (PLT) finishes on this date as does the Moderator. Fr Lawrie O'Toole, the Supervising Priest of Timboon Parish will also finish his appointment then.

April is a transition time until Fr Neville commences his appointment on 1 May.

During April the Vicar-General of Ballarat Diocese, **Fr Justin Driscoll, oversees the Parish**. Also during April a new Parish Pastoral Council will be formed.

From 1 May, with the appointment of Fr Neville Stanislaus, Timboon Parish becomes a 'regular' Parish (under Canon Law) cared for by a Parish Priest. He consults with the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Committee. Fr Neville is also appointed as the Parish Priest of Camperdown. His primary residence will be in Camperdown and he will stay at Timboon as needed. Fr Peter Murnane will continue as Visiting Priest, staying at Timboon Presbytery from April until September. During this time Fr Neville and Fr Peter will share the celebration of Masses in Timboon Parish. It is anticipated the Mass roster will remain the same during this time, including Assemblies of Word and Communion ('lav-led').

The Parish of Timboon is a Parish with a Supervised Community Leadership.

The Parish Leadership Team coordinates parish life and lay pastoral ministry supported by the Supervising Priest and the Visiting Priest. Fr Peter Murnane 0478 761 231

Parish Leadership Team: Moderator: Jean McMeel

Members: Marlene van Nieuwkerk, Katrina Currell, Gerard Vogels, Charles Martin, Pat Nicholson and

Joanne Robertson

Parish Secretary: George Swierczek

Our Sick: Bailey Delaney, Andrew Cook, Frank Vogels, Tania Vogels, Margaret Dillon, Xavier Reicha, Anne Dodd, Noreen O'Connor, Fletcher Densley. March Anniversaries: C. Boyle, J. Lathouwers, R. Maslin, B. Smith, P. Roberts, M. O' Keeffe, C. O' Keeffe, M. Delaney, P. Conheady, K. Noonan, H. Dickmann,

M. Pouw, P. Couch, B. Ridsdale, M Duynhoven, G. Gale, M. Dodd,



Parish Pastoral Council and Ministry Teams

The new **Parish Pastoral Council** will be formed during April. The Pastoral Council consults with and advises the Parish Priest. The work of the Parish continues to require active participation of parishioners in the various Ministry Teams that operate in the Parish in areas including worship, liturgy, sacraments, visiting, welcoming, maintenance, technology, pastoral care, cleaning and other preparations. Active Ministry Teams are a vital part of the parish structure and in coming months there will be a call for assistance in some of the teams.

The **Parish Finance Committee** will be ongoing but may be smaller in size. Its role is advisory to the Parish Priest and it oversees finances, expenditure and the planned giving program. Fr Neville will be the chair of both the Finance Committee and the Parish Pastoral Council.

Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral on Monday, April 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. This Mass is a celebration of the whole Church of the Diocese of Ballarat. We celebrate the unity and ministry of the ordained priests in the midst of the entire priestly people of God of the Diocese. This Mass also has special significance for those who will use the blessed oils in 2017 – the sick, those to be baptised and confirmed. All welcome to attend.

HELP! SOS!

We require a representative from the parish to attend and collect the oils. If you are able to be at the Cathedral please contact the office on 0439 145 805 before the 27th March 2017.

We welcome back **Father Murnane** in April to resume his stay with us as Visiting Priest. We expect he will be with us until September.

Reconciliation Service the week before Holy Week. **Reconciliation**, (2nd rite): Wednesday 5th April @ 7.30 p.m. Individual confessions after the 2nd rite and after Good Friday ceremonies or by appointment.

Easter Thursday Mass 7:00pm Timboon **Good Friday** Passion 3:00pm Timboon **Holy Saturday** Easter Vigil 7:30 Timboon **Easter Sunday** Mass 9:00am Simpson

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