

St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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St Patrick's Church

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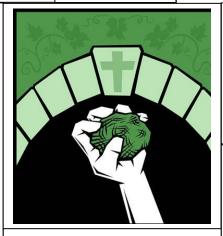


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Dear Friends,

The parable of the vineyard points out the violence of the tenants who murder the messengers sent to them by the owner. Even his own son who was sent to them they treated in the same way and killed him. When Jesus finishes the parable the chief priests and the Pharisees immediately realize that it was about them. These religious leaders rule over the people with authority from God. They take the authority, yet, how much violence and oppression do they commit in the name of God and their religion. In the public eye they appear to be faithful to the law, but they persecute and even kill the prophets and wise men who were sent by God before Jesus, His own son.

Initially the parable concerns the leadership of that Jewish community at the time of Jesus. So, to build peace, justice and love in the community, the tenants of the vineyard or the leaders of the community should be replaced. Finally God replaced the tenants. The new leadership is appointed to produce the fruit that God expects from His vineyard. Only then the people in the kingdom of God will enjoy the values of justice, peace and love, when they feel that they are equal to this calling of building up God's kingdom by bearing fruits of justice, peace and love. Hence the true owner of the vineyard sees the people's good deeds and they, through their good deeds, glorify Him. - Neville.



Weekend Mass Times (N/A) Saturday: 6.30pm Cobden Sunday: 9am 1st Sun. Simpson 9am 2nd Sun. Lismore 9am 3rd/5th Sun. Timboon 9am 4th Sun. Derrinallum (Lay led assembly will be held on the other weekends) Every Sunday: 10.30 am Camperdown. (due to this emergency state)

Saints and Feasts:

Mon – St Faustina Kowalska Tues –St Bruno Wed – Our Lady of the Thurs – St Pelagia the Penitent Fri – St John Leonardi Sat – St Patricain

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are in ill health: Fr Denis Dennehy, Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, John O'Brien, Brian Wain.

Recent Death: Beth Hose Anniversaries of Deaths

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joseph Pekin, Jarrod Fryers, Harold Lunn, Raymond Gallichan, James Lawlor, Kathleen Hickey, Clare Wain, Colleen Clarke, Mary Fahey, Sheilagh Evan, Eileen wood.

Please consider making your Planned Giving contributions and Sunday collections via bank transfers. This will help running the parish which still needs to cover its costs while the current situation continues. **Parish bank details**: BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8126 (Envelopes). **Presbytery**: BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8142 (Collection). Thank you

A Prayer in This Time of Distress: O God, healer of all our ills, to whom we turn in his time of distress, grant, we pray in the power of faith, eternal rest to the dead and comfort to those who mourn, health to the sick and peace to the dying, strength to medical workers, wisdom to our leaders and a spirit of kindness to us all. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your son who lives and Reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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MASS TIMES:

Sunday: Camperdown at 10:30am (Live Stream)

Only Sunday mass can be viewed on YouTube at 10.30 am.

Please Search: St. Patrick Church Camperdown on YouTube.

Or enter the link below into your web browser:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIc1zEq4cD-J1ayzRTSbTcw

As an alternative you can also visit: https://www.youtube.com, enter **St Patricks Camperdown channel** and it will take you to our page.

<u>Mercy Regional College Annual Car Raffle:</u> Tickets Still only \$10. Drawn on 30th November. You could purchase you tickets online at <u>www.cutt.ly/mrc-2020</u> for more information at <u>www.mercy.vic.edu.au</u> Thank you. More information please contact Rose Henry Mobile: 0407 875 886.

<u>Call for Readers</u>: If you would like to participate in the Mass streamed on Sundays as a reader, please contact the presbytery on 03 5593 1284 to leave your details

<u>'Pondering Grief - Reflection event via Zoom'</u>, Saturday 17 Oct 2020, 10am-1pm (AEST). Facilitated by Counsellor/Supervisor/Educator Linda Espie, this event provides the opportunity to reflect on and honour our inner life of change and transition. With creative, space and gentle guiding support, this workshop will offer a sacred place for the breadth of human experiencing and spirit to guide individual exploration. Limited to 10 participants.

Cost \$30. Bookings and payment via Trybooking at <u>https://www.trybooking.com/BLUEA</u> For more information, contact <u>holsc@bigpond.com</u> or telephone 9890 1101.

<u>New Diocesan Website</u>: Thank you to all who are uploading the bulletin and updating your parish page on the website. You are doing a wonderful job. A couple of things which might make life easier:

- **Bulletins:** Please name your bulletin when saving on your computer with the parish name first, so for example Linton and then whatever you normally save it as. Then when you upload it, it will be obvious who the bulletin belongs to and will make it easier to keep the media file on the website tidy.
- **Parish page images:** If you would like to update the image on your parish page, please email your new image to us and we will upload this. Preferably, the image should be landscape and high resolution. We will also go through our photos and see if we have images suitable, as some are not quite right with the upgrade to the new website.
- Parish administrators who manage two or more parishes: There is now an option to log in once with the ability to edit parish details and upload the bulletin for multiple parishes. You still have to upload it to each parish but you do not have to log out of each parish and log back in. Please get in touch with Jane or Julie if this option might be helpful for you.
- A parish administrators' manual for the new website is attached. An instruction video for parish page administrators can be found at this link <u>https://vimeo.com/452368184/1b497cc311</u>.

Updated protocols for website parish page administrators and those accessing the website members area are also attached.

Please contact the Pastoral Ministry Office for any website enquiries <u>pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au</u> <u>Catholic Mission October Annual Appeal</u>

The month of October, known as Mission Month across Australia, provides for us an opportunity to consider again the many ways in which we engage with others in the spirit of mission. World Mission Sunday is an opportunity for us to engage with this world, feel connected to it, and contribute to its life and vitality. Parish Resources will soon be on their way by mail and will include some Appeal envelopes. Your support is greatly appreciated, particularly at these most challenging times. You will not receive the normal amount of envelopes because of COVID-19 restrictions, however if you wish to receive more (we may be in a different situation in a few weeks hopefully) please do not hesitate to contact Sue Searls 0403 902 921 or email <u>ballarat.director@catholicmission.org.au</u> Thank you in anticipation.

Also, if you are going to be in Ballarat in the near future I am happy to make arrangements to give you your parish resources directly. Please contact me asap if this is the case. Resources can also be accessed at www.catholic.mission.org.au

<u>'Walking with Wisdom' Contemplative Sessions (via Zoom)</u> – Thursdays, 10am-12.30pm (AEST) on 8, 15, 22 & 29 October 2020. We invite you to join us for a series of contemplative sessions with Carole Carmody rsm and

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Marlene McGrath, providing opportunities for Deep Listening: to oneself at this unique time in our lives; to Divine Wisdom in the Heart, and in the Hearts of Others; and to engage in a gentle, creative response. Join for one or all sessions. \$85 for the Series or \$25 per session. Bookings at <u>www.trybooking.com/BLILH</u>. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, tel 03 9890 1101, <u>www.heartoflife.melbourne</u>

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Bishop's Office In line with government directives aimed at slowing the spread of the coronavirus and safety measures being undertaken throughout our communities, please note the Bishop's office will remain closed to visitors until further notice. Staff are still working to continue supporting our clergy, parish and office staff and communities through these challenging times, and continue being available via email or phone. Contact details until further notice: bishopsoffice@ballarat.catholic.org.au, ph. 03 5337 7121,

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Plenary Council Discernment Papers

The six discernment papers have been released and are available to be read. The National Plenary Facilitation Team will soon release resources to assist parishes and communities to explore each of the papers. Here in the diocese, we will endeavour to look at one paper for a month. Read the discernment paper at https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/PC2020-thematic-papers-2.pdf. Visit the Inclusive, Participatory & Synodal theme's page at https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/inclusive/.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: 15 5:1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard.

My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones,

and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20. R. Is 5:7

(R.) The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

- 1. You brought a vine out of Egypt; to plant it you drove out the nations. It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. (R.)
- 2. Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by. It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field. (R.)
- 3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)
- 4. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. (R.)

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Second Reading: Phil 4:6-9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

This is the Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) See Jn 15:15

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Mt 21:33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone.

This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

In the Hebrew scripture, Israel is spoken of as the Vineyard of God. We can say that now the Church is the vineyard of God. God is the Landlord, we are the tenants. It is our job to faithfully tend it and make sure it bears good fruit. If we are unfaithful, then God *will* find other people to carry on his plan, other tenants to tend his vineyard.

Certainly, we see that within the Universal Church. With the decline of the Eurocentric church, who has God turned to as new tenants for his vineyard? Look at the surging numbers of Catholics in sub-Sahara Africa, Nigeria, the Philippines, Korea. The persecuted Church in Vietnam and China is surviving and growing despite the severity of oppression.

I think we may agree that the vineyard of the Church in Australia is not as fruitful as it could be. This is a challenge for us. It is wonderful to see the energetic work of the new immigrants and refugees in our parishes (including the Bishop of Parramatta!).

We could pause for a moment to commit to taking up the privilege and duty to work in the vineyard of the Church.

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We, the Parish community wish to pledge ourselves for our children's safety and well-being