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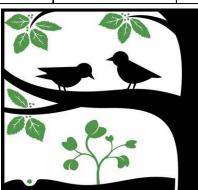
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Dear Friends; The gospel contains two parables: the scattered seed growing of itself and the mustard seed. What is common between the two? Both speak of small and insignificant seeds. But when they sprout and grow, these smallest of seeds become the largest of plants. The parables tell us about how the kingdom of God grows in the heart of human beings. They explain the nature of God's kingdom. They show us how God's Kingdom begins in an ordinary circumstance and matures gradually in the course of time. It tells us at least two things. First one, a big thing comes from small beginning. The ordinary can become a special one. Even if we are small or insignificant, we are valuable in God's eyes. Whatever we have, no matter how ordinary we are, we can offer ourselves and contribute a lot towards God's Kingdom. Whatever we are, unskilled or average, God can use us to make a difference. In God's eyes no one is unnoticed or forgotten. Everyone is special and important. Second one is; growth, change or improvement is a law of life. We cannot remain where we are, passive or stagnant. But not to go forward or not to progress, means is to go backward. We can grow and shine. We can achieve and improve. We should neither resign to our condition nor rely on luck. We can be better and we can give our best. God never leaves us or gives up on us. He gives everything we need to move forward in life and grow in God's grace. God's grace even moves people to help us. God always gives us fresh hope, another chance and new opportunities so that we can grow and renew our lives. So let us take the opportunity that God gives us to grow in our faith journey and to shine or radiate the light of Christ to the people who are not part of the kingdom of God. -Neville



Weekend Mass Times Saturday: 6.30pm Cobden Sunday: 9am 1st Sun. Simpson 9am 2nd/4th Sun. Lismore 9am 3rd/5th Sun. Timboon (Lay led assembly will be held on the other weekends) <u>Next Weekend Masses</u> Sat: Cobden 6.30 pm Sun: Timboon 9.00 am Camperdown 11.00 am. <u>Next Weekend Readings: Yr:B</u> Job 38: 1, 8 – 11; 2Cor 5: 14 – 17; Mk 4: 35 – 41. <u>Saints and Feasts:</u> Mon- St Anastasius xvii Tues- St Germaine Wed- St John Francis Regis Thurs- St Teresa of Portugal Fri- St Marina Sat- St Romuald

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are ill: Fr Denis Dennehy, Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, John O'Brien, Brian Wain, Mary Hickey, Mary Ryan and Bernd Menz, Teresa Gittany

Recent Death & Anniversaries: We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Park Roache, Sandra Ormsby, Heather Corneby, benedict Nicholls, Thomas Kneale, Antonietta Rosolin, Maureen Condon

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 (1st Collection). Thank you

A Prayer for the Year of SAINT JOSEPH

"Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life" Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy ad courage. Amen

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, 13/06/2021

<u>We welcome Fr Kevin Moloney (Vicar General)</u> who will be celebrating masses in our parish this weekend. We appreciate your kindness and time that you were able to come and celebrate mass with us.

<u>Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)</u>: Possible easing of restrictions in regional Victoria may come into effect from 11.59pm on Thursday, June 10 pending no further COVID-19 cases tomorrow. More information available, on government website <u>https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/religion-and-ceremony-regional-victoria</u> Victorian Government Business Costs Assistance Program

The Victorian State Government has released the "fine print" of the conditions for the recently announced \$2500 lockdown grant. It is now clear that Parishes DO NOT QUALIFY as Religious institutions are not listed and we have not incurred additional costs as a result of the lockdown. Please see the highlighted section on the attachment. *Mark Bromley*

This Message came on Wednesday (09/06) from Bishop's Office:

Dear Friends, The Victorian Government has announced an easing of COVID restrictions to take effect from midnight on Thursday June 10. The following provisions will apply in **regional Victoria**. **Religious gatherings and ceremonies** will be permitted for up to **75 people** per venue, with a density quotient of 1 person per 4 square metres. **Funerals** will be permitted with no more than **75 people** attending, plus those necessary to conduct the funeral. **Weddings** will be permitted with no more than **20 people** (including the two persons being married, the celebrant and two witnesses).**Face coverings** must still be carried at all times. Face coverings must be worn inside the church and must also be worn outdoors where **1**.5 metres distancing cannot be maintained. There will be no restrictions on travel *within regional Victoria*. God bless you all. Bishop Paul Bird.

In Registering the Attendances at Church: This year also we are going to continue to register the attendances' names and contact numbers electronically. So please bring your mobile phone to the church and in the church foyer you will find the QR scanning CODE FORMAT with instructions how to use it.

Step 1. Use your phone's camera to scan the code.

Step 2. Enter your first name and phone number. Step

3. Look for the tick "You're now checked-in" Please place your mobile phone in silence mode and arrive 5 minutes earlier than normal to help us to start the mass on time. Thank you.

Plenary Council Prayer Campaign

A national campaign has been launched to support a prayerful build-up to the first assembly of the Plenary Council. The "Fan the Flame" campaign is offered as resources for individuals and groups of various sizes and contexts who are providing essential support by praying for the Council journey and specifically for the Council assemblies, including the members who will participate. Resources available from https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheflame/

Year of St Joseph Monthly Reflection

Each month during the year of St Joseph, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference will publish a reflection on the various aspects of St Joseph's life and character. Fr Khalid Marogi, Director of the Australian Catholic Migrant & Refugee Office, reflects on "Joseph as 'Protector'" (Mt 2:13-18) and this will coincide with Refugee Week, June 20-26, 2021 - https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph

Praying with Pope Francis

- The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network view at www.thepopevideo.org. Pope's intention for June:
- June universal intention for evangelisation the beauty of marriage: Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: May they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

Covid India Appeal Fundraising Dinner

The Ballarat Indian Association Inc. is holding a Fundraising Dinner on Saturday, May 29, 2021 at Albert Coates Complex, Federation University, Mount Helen. Go to:

https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=759476& for bookings and information. Donations also accepted to account name: Ballarat Indian Assoc Inc. BSB 033-205 Acct No: 183147

We are a Child-safe, Welcoming and Environmentally-friendly Parish

National Mass to mark Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day – August 2, 2021

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry are planning a live broadcast of a national Mass to mark National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day on August 4, 2021 with the theme, "Proud in Culture - Strong in Spirit". Archbishop Peter Comensoli will celebrate this livestreamed Mass at the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Chapel in Thornbury at 12.00noon. Parish Priests are invited to concelebrate and be a visual for teachers and students. This will include provisions for schools to participate in the Prayers of the Faithful, the bringing in of symbols that represent their schools journey and place so that they are fully engaged and part of the wider mass. This could be extended to parishes who also wish to participate. For more information contact Sherry Balcombe, Manager Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria, ph. 0439 780 899 or email Sherry.balcombe@cam.org.au. Letter attached.

Alive in the Spirit: National Virtual Conference to Enliven Catholic Communities

Reconnect, Renew and Reimagine. Community and Mission. Our faith communities are hungering for inspiration and support as we emerge from the pandemic and approach the first national plenary session. "Alive in the Spirit", an innovative online conference from July 8-10, 2021, offers a next-level experience to participants through a variety of keynotes, home-grown workshops and enriching prayer and worship experiences. The mixture of live and on-demand opportunities is fully adaptable to strengthen the mission and aims of local Catholic communities. Find out more at <u>www.aliveinthespirit.com.au</u> or contact Lisa Bright, ph. 0448 652 720.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Ez 17:22-24

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

I have made the small tree great.

The Lord says this: 'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot

and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. see v.2

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

- 1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. (R.)
- 2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R.)
- 3. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R.)

Second Reading: 2 Cor 5:6-10

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord.

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

This is the word of the Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation)

Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mk 4:26-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

A peasant in Galilee would hope for a return of 7:1 when sowing seed for a crop. So when Jesus pictures the Kingdom of God as a wonderful harvest (returning 100:1 as he put it in another parable), his peasant listeners would envisage a future without hunger, without servitude to rapacious landlords and money-lenders. A true liberation (such as Mary sang of in the Magnificat)!

Naturally, they and we want to know when this new way of life, this fulfilling of the Kingdom of God, will come about. Our Lord replies: 'Be patient. Your job is to sow the seed. Something will happen out of all proportion to your part in the process, just like the disproportion of the mustard seed to a mustard bush' (which he exaggerates into a tree sheltering birds). God's creative power worked in the depths of stony ground of the tomb to raise up the Gospel Seed who is Jesus Christ. From that, a community has grown which, at its best, leads to a fair and just distribution of the world's resources, as Pope Francis insists is a major test of authenticity of our claim to be Christian.

We could take a moment to pray for the courage to sow the seed of the Gospel whenever an opportunity presents itself, and the patience to await the germinating power of the Resurrection to create the Tree of Life such that all peoples 'can shelter in its shade'.

13-June-2021 11th Sunday OT	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister	
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	M McKenzie	N/A	J Blair	
9 a.m. Lismore	A Mahony	A Bell		L Johnstone	
11am: Camperdown	M Saunders	L Place	N/A	H Hickey	
Counting Team : M, J & P Conheady		Altar Camperdown: S Swayne G Lucas			
Church Cleaning: H & J Seuren		Altar Cobden: Angela Horan			
Marian Statue: C Wilson		Altar Derrinallum: H Noone			

20-June-2021 12th Sunday OT	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister	
6.30pm: Cobden	G Kelson	B Hammond	N/A	J Dwyer	
9 a.m. Lismore Assembly	S McLeod	K Bell		D Halloran	
11am: Camperdown	J Robinson	J Seuren	N/A	T O'Leary	
Counting Team: R & A Gardner		Altar Camperdown: M Russell (G) A Gardner			
Church Cleaning: R Henry		Altar Cobden: Angela Horan			
Marian Statue: J Fry		Altar Derrinallum: D Halloran			

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