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Dear Friends, John the Baptist calls Jesus the 'Lamb of God'. The term Lamb of God, signifies Jesus' mission as the One who redeems us from our sins. Here, the Lamb is referred to as in the Old Testament idea

of the blood of the Passover Lamb, which delivered the Israelites from their oppression in Egypt and from the plague of death. John was a son of the priest, Zachariah, who participated in the daily sacrifice of a lamb in the temple for the sins of the people. So John would have seen that the true and only sacrifice which could deliver us from the bondage of sin was Jesus' sacrifice. The Holy Spirit revealed to John the Baptist the true nature of Jesus so that he could bear witness to Jesus.

Here we see that John was fully aware of Jesus' nature. Let us ask ourselves, who is Jesus for us? This was the question of the two of John the Baptist's disciples too. They want to know more about Jesus. Jesus took the initiative to invite them into his company. He approached them and asked them a fundamental question of life -"What are you looking for?" and invited them to come and see. In the same way Jesus invites us to draw near to him and wants us to know him personally. Like the disciples of John the Baptist let us take this invitation seriously and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the truth and the nature of the gospel so that we may understand the nature of Jesus and love him dearly in our life. - 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)

Next Weekend Masses

Sat: Cobden 6.30 pm Sun: Lismore on 9.00 am Camperdown 11.00 am.

Saints and Feasts:

Mon - St. Ammonius Tues -St. John Pelczar Wed - Ss. Fabian & Sebastian Martyr Thurs - St. Agnes Fri – St. Vincent Sat - St. Nikolaus Gross

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 Crowe, Laney Burkett.

Recent Death:

Jim Smart

Anniversaries:

We pray for those who has died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Ann Buckle, Stanley Adams, Dennis Power, and Joseph Stevenson.

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.

Year of St Joseph

Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde* (With a Father's Heart), commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St Joseph", running from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021. B A number of resources are being developed by the ACBC to encourage and support the celebration of the Year of St Joseph. The resources are available from the ACBC website https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph

We are seeking parishioners who are interested in joining the ministries for Sunday Masses. Sheets are available in the church foyers for you to complete and we would be happy to see you take part in our services. Thank you.

World Day of Prayer for the Sick: February 11, 2021

An information letter and prayer card are attached for the World Day of Prayer for the Sick.

<u>Last Weekend's Collection:</u> I would like to thank everyone for their assistance and support. Last weekend you generously gave to the parish: \$470.10 and Presbytery: \$820.45. God bless you and keep you all in His care.

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. 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.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

As you may have seen aware of the Victorian government announcement regarding further easing of COVID restrictions. The State of Victoria will move to "COVIDSafe Summer Restrictions".

There will be no overall limit on the number of people who can attend religious gatherings and ceremonies (including weddings and funerals). The **number of people** will depend on the **size of the church**.

We will still need to keep a record of the first name and contact phone number of each person who attends. If we keep the record manually (using pen and paper), the density quotient will remain at 1 person per 4 square metres. If we keep the record electronically, using a QR (Quick Response) code, the density quotient can be 1 person per 2 square metres.

Using a QR code requires people to scan the code using their smart phone camera. The QR code takes the person to a website where they enter their details. You can find information about the Victorian Government QR Code Service at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/qrcode

I expect that most of our communities will continue recording first name and phone number using pen and paper. For those communities, the density quotient will remain at 1 person per 4 square metres. In this case, to calculate the number of people who can gather in a particular area, you measure the floor space and divide by 4. For example, if a church is 30 metres long x 10 metres wide, the area is 300 square metres. So you could have 75 people gather in that church.

wearing a mask will no longer be mandatory in places of worship. However, wearing a mask is **recommended** when you cannot keep 1.5 metres distance from other people.

Plenary Council Discernment Papers

The six discernment papers have been released and are available to be read. Here in the diocese, we will endeavour to look at one paper for a month. Please put the information on your bulletins (see notice below) and you might like to send out in emails to parishioners.

Catholic Health Australian launches new Mission Scholarship Program for future Aged Care leaders

Catholic Health Australia is offering a new scholarship to attend the prestigious Ministry Leadership Program at the Australian Catholic University. The scholarship is open to people working at a managerial level in the Catholic aged care sector and will help expand the successful mission program to new participants. To find out more about the program and the scholarship criteria go to https://cha.org.au/mission/69-mlp/mission/911-the-father-gerard-arbuckle-catholic-health-australia-scholarship-program

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

Word of God Sunday: February 7, 2021

The Australian bishops have designated the first Sunday in February (this year) as "Word of God Sunday". The ACBC are preparing resources and provide the following to date (attached). Further resources will be distributed as they are received:

- Homily Notes;
- Liturgical Notes;
- Musical Recommendations;
- Prayers of the Faithful;
- Reflection by Fr Tom Elich.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: 1 Sm 3:3-10.19

A reading from the first book of Samuel

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening.

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am'. Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. vv. 8.9

(R.) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

- 1. I waited, I waited for the Lord. and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. (R.)
- 2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. (R.)
- 3. In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. (R.)
- Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
 My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. (R.)

Second Reading: 1 Cor 6:13-15. 17-20

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

Your bodies are members of the body of Christ.

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, which is in you since you have received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) Jn 1:41. 17

Alleluia, alleluia! We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Jn 1:35-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

They saw where Jesus lived and they stayed with him.

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

What's in a name? A Lot, if it is God who confers the name. Jesus of Nazareth, the embodiment of God-for-us, knew the power of naming in relation to calling and destiny.

So, when Andrew brought his brother to Jesus, Jesus exercised the divine prerogative of changing Simon's name to 'Cephas' which in English is 'Peter'. Jesus gave Simon a nickname, 'rock-solid' which was the exact opposite of his character! Nevertheless, he did become the rock on which Jesus built his Church.

The tradition continues with the successor of Peter. So, Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio took the name 'Francis' which indicates that he believes that the Holy Spirit inspired the Cardinals to choose him to be Pope to follow in the footsteps of St Francis of Assisi.

Each one of us has a divinely ordained name (Rev 2:17) which we may not be aware of, but the Holy Spirit is always prompting us to live up to that name.

We could pause for a moment to pray that we might so live as to reach Heaven to find that name which God has loved from and for all eternity.

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17-Jan-2021 2nd Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister	
6.30pm: Cobden	G Gleeson	K Daffy	N/A	G Kelson	
9 a.m. Lismore Assembly	K Deppeler	K Deppeler		L Johnstone	
11am: Camperdown	P Conheady	A O'Flynn	N/A	R Henry	
Counting Team: B & M Hewitt		Altar Camperdown: M Lucas G McMillan			
Church Cleaning: M Sinnott		Altar Cobden: Joan Hammond			
Marian Statue: M Russell		Altar Derrinallum: M Hodson			

24-Jan-2021 3rd Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister	
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	G Kelson	N/A	J Dwyer	
9 a.m. Derrinallum	L Johnstone	L Johnstone	N/A	A Bignell	
11am: Camperdown	R Johnstone	M Macaulay	N/A	J Saunders	
Counting Team: M, J & P Conheady		Altar Camperdown: C McCarthy J Delaney			
Church Cleaning: M & B Brown		Altar Cobden: Joan Hammond			
Marian Statue: R West		Altar Derrinallum: T May-Lindsey			