

St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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Dear friends,

In today's gospel, Jesus points out to us that we are all stewards of everything we have. He refers especially to our stewardship of money. Whatever money we have, we have from God and God gives it to us in trust. We are only stewards of it and not real owners. Money is not the most important thing of God's gift. If we are trustworthy with money, we can be trusted with bigger gifts, but if we are dishonest with money, we shall be dishonest also when it comes to bigger matters. The way we deal with money is a good test of how good stewards we are of God's gifts.

So how do we deal with money? It is good to earn money for a living. It is right to save money. But it is not good to use money only for our own benefit. Our use of money should also be beneficial to others. Thus, it is not good to hoard money. Nor is it right to spend it lavishly for luxuries that are meant for show. But it is good to save money for future necessities and emergencies. It is right to use money in business that will likely bring profit. It is good to make profit. And it is admirable to share what we have cared for - the uplift of our fellow brothers and sisters and for the building up the kingdom of God. So let us pray to our Lord to give us His wisdom so that we may be able to administer the money wisely like good stewards and work for His kingdom in our witnessing life. -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)

Next Weekend Masses Sat: Cobden 6.30 pm Sun: Lismore 9.00 am Camperdown 11.00 am. **Next Weekend Readings:** Amos 6: 1, 4 – 7; 1 Tim 6: 11 – 16. Lk 16: 19 – 31.

Saints and Feasts: Mon-St Januarius Tues- Ss Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Hasang & Companions Wed- St Matthew, Apostle Thu-St Maurice Fri- St Pio of Pietrelcina Sat- our Lady of Walsingham

Pray for the Sick: Please remember& pray those who are sick: Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, Brian Wain, Mary Hickey, Bernd Menz and Peter Karlsen.

Recent Death & Anniversaries: We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Herby Fitzgerald, Ian Fry, Brian Scouller, William Mayers, William Rohan, Dora Beaton, John Park, Valda Russell, George Savage.

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. Thank you.

We pray for all who are suffering and bereaved. At this time of sorrow, incomprehension, and tragedy, we stand together.

In this crisis, we pray for God's mercy and healing for the sick and for health and strength for all who care for them. Amen.

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Novel coronavirus (COVID-19): Checking-in is no longer required. Face masks are no longer required in most indoor settings, but they are still recommended. Carry a mask when leaving home. They are strongly recommended if you have any COVID-19 symptoms and are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19. **Last weekend's Collection:**

I would like to thank everyone for their assistance & support. Last week you generously gave to the Parish \$302.00 & Presbytery \$516.70. God bless you and keep you all safe in His Care.

Lay Led Assembly Resources: Sunday Assembly of Word and Communion resources for Sundays 23-33 (including Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe) Year C 2022 have been emailed/mailed to contacts. Resource material is also available from the diocesan website members area.

Action for Dioceses and Parishes following the Plenary Council. Bishop Paul Bird

1. Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

Each Catholic school, parish, diocese and organisation will

- a. acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land upon which their buildings stand
- b. include the online Cultural Competency course in formation of staff and volunteers
- c. ensure that any retreats and other formation activities offered are culturally appropriate
- d. work to include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people on committees and decision-making bodies.

2. Promoting Healing for those Abused and Safety for Everyone

Dioceses and Parishes will respond with justice and compassion to those who have suffered from the trauma of abuse, including where appropriate, ongoing pastoral and spiritual support and accompaniment; they will implement safeguarding standards and practices. The Plenary Council encouraged the practice, where appropriate, of local memorials in various forms, as a tangible recognition of the harm done through abuse and the need for special care for children. Parishes will be provided with resources for a day of prayer (currently called Safeguarding Sunday).

3. Called by Christ and Sent Forth as Missionary Disciples

a. Church communities will promote evangelisation through hospitality and dialogue.

b. Dioceses will support Parish Pastoral Councils to establish opportunities to listen to people on the peripheries – within and beyond parishes – and to develop plans to overcome experiences of exclusion.
c. Diocesan Pastoral Councils will provide Parish leaders with formation and resources for training in these works of evangelisation.

d. Dioceses will develop a long-term plan to evangelise the community and catechise the faithful through dialogue within the Church and the wider community on areas including the sanctity of all life, the nature of the human person, proclamation of the Gospel through engagement in the public arena and contribution to public debate on issues relating to marriage, sexuality, and social and ecological justice.

e. Dioceses will promote ecumenical and interfaith relationships, e.g. through an Ecumenical and Interfaith Officer. (*There were also proposals regarding the evangelising role of Catholic Education and Social Services.*) A Witnessing to the Equal Dignity of Women and Men

4. Witnessing to the Equal Dignity of Women and Men

a. Dioceses and Parishes will include women in decision-making structures of Church governance;

b. Dioceses and Parishes will support, with appropriate formation, opportunities for women to participate in ministries in diocesan and parish life.

5. Communion in Grace: Sacrament to the World

a. To promote people's full, conscious and active participation in the Church's liturgy and spiritual nourishment through other forms of prayer, Dioceses and Parishes will provide liturgical and other prayer resources as well as opportunities for formation.

b. Dioceses will promote exercise of and formation for the ministries of Lector, Acolyte and Catechist.

- c. Dioceses will foster appreciation of the various liturgical traditions of the Church, East and West.
- 6. Formation and Leadership for Mission and Ministry

7. Governance at the Service of Communion, Participation and Mission

8. Integral Ecology and Conversion for the Sake of our Common Home

Synod on Synodality Prayer Website

In order to support the synodal journey and ask for the Spirit's assistance, together with the World Network of Prayers of the Pope and UISG, there is a website to pray for a synodal church and send your prayers https://www.prayforthesynod.va/en/

National Online Conference for Evangelisation: October 20-22, 2022

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

The Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry warmly invites all Catholics to 'Evangelise', a national, online conference to be held from October 20-22, 2022. The conference will promote understanding and explore practices of evangelisation in Australia through encounters with Christ, formation in discipleship, and mission in the world. The conference will feature a range of informative and engaging presentations on topics such as liturgy, marriage and family, discipleship, formation, and prayer. Individual registration (\$25 each) and further information can be found at <u>www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au</u>.

'Walking with Wisdom Series' (in person or via Zoom), 4 x Thursdays, 6-27 October 2022, 10am-12.30pm.

This series offers a time to explore the depths of wisdom in our own heart, to recognise wisdom in the encounter with another ... to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Led by spiritual directors Carole Carmody rsm and Julie Adam. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern VIC. Cost \$30 per session or \$100 for the series. Book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne, email office@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel (03) 9890 1101.

The Parish of Camperdown communities of Camperdown, Denninallum, Cobden, Lismore.

Hi Andrew O'Flynn, The Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission wishes to take this opportunity to thank you for offering to be our Social Justice Contact Person. Thank you also for volunteering to organise a HUB so that parishioners from your parish have the opportunity to be a part of this forum either at the HUB or online. What is the Commission asking of our Social Justice Contact Person?

- •Ensure information about the Forum is circulated throughout your various Parish Mass Centres
- •Assist in organising the HUB.
- •Advise the Commission of the number of Forum HUB attendees to social.justice@ballarat.catholic.org.au
- •Speak about the Forum at Mass encouraging parishioners to either attend the Camperdown HUB or online

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Am 8:4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money,

and the needy for a pair of sandals and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.'

The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.' The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

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Responsorial Psalm: Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R. see vv.1. 7 (*R.*) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

- 1. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! (R.)
- High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory.
 Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? (R.)
- 3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dung heap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. (R.)

Second Reading: 1 Tm 2:1-8

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to

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be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) 2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich, but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel: Lk 16:10-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Jesus, surprisingly, found something appealing about this steward who was in the rapacious lending business. What was it? Faced with the news that he was about to lose his position, his catastrophic reversal of fortune, he cut a deal with his debtors to help secure his future. Jesus gave him full marks for being astute and shrewd. Jesus laments the fact that many of his followers, 'children of the light,' are not as smart in the face of the Great Reversal – which He is inaugurating in which 'the hungry will be filled with good things and the rich sent empty away' (Mary's *Magnificat*).

We should be using our money ('mammon') to alleviate the myriad hungers of the world, not to buy our way into Heaven, but so that we become the sort of person who will be able to enjoy the heavenly companionship of those who hungered. We could take a moment to pause and take stock of the use of our resources which are *passing*, so that we may be received into the eternal habitation.

| 18-September-2022 25th Sunday O.T. | Reader | P.O.F. | Offertory | E/Minister |
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| 6.30pm: Cobden | M McKenzie | A Horan | | |
| 9 a.m. Lismore | A Coutts | A Mahony | | S McLeod |
| 11am: Camperdown | R Henry | P Conheady | | R Henry |
| Counting Team: R & W Henry | | Altar Camperdown: C McCarthy J Delaney | | |
| Church Cleaning: M & B Brown | | Altar Cobden: J Dwyer H Hickey | | |
| Marian Statue: S Robertson | | | | |
| 25-September-2022 26th Sunday O.T. | Reader | P.O.F. | Offertory | E/Minister |
| 6.30pm: Cobden | J Dwyer | G Kelson | Gleeson Family | |
| 9 a.m. Lismore | L Johnstone | G Keating | | A Bignell |
| 11am: Camperdown | C McCarthy | M Smart | Conheady Family | G Lucas |
| Counting Team: R & W Henry | | Altar Camperdown: S Swayne G Lucas | | |
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