



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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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
(Lay Assembly – Lismore)

Reading for the next Sunday

1st Reading: Acts 9:26-31

2nd Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Dear Friends, This weekend we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday". Today the church, calls us to pray for all the church leaders, religious and the future shepherds, the seminarians in our celebration. For this reason we commemorate this Sunday as a vocation Sunday. No doubt, when we look at the number of the local leaders or shepherds of the church. We come to the awareness of the need of more leaders for the church. The church has gone through a period of purification in the past years. With a new vision, the church invites now all it's faithful to be actively involved in the ministry of the church. Here I would like to denote St. Paul's 1st Letter to Corinthians chapter 12: 7; which says, "The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. God has endowed with us many talents and gifts through His Spirit to witness His kingdom. Let us identify our talent and gift which God has given to each one of us. Hence, we join hands with our fellow brothers and sisters to witness His kingdom. We read in today's gospel Jesus reveals himself to us as the good shepherd. We may ask, how is Jesus our good shepherd? Because Jesus leads us to the Father, and he is the way to fullness of life. Without Jesus, we are lost, misguided, helpless and even hopeless. Only in him, we can find a true way to God, and to heaven. We need sustenance and nourishment from Jesus to keep us alive and active. In our mission. -Neville



Saints and Feasts:

Mon- Queen of the society of Jesus

Tues- Ss Adalbert & George

Wed- St Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Thu- St Robert of Syracuse

Fri- St Mark, Evangelist.

Sat- St Louis de Montfort

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember and pray those who are sick: Kristen Pickford, Peter Karlsen, and Helen Watts. (the names here will only appear for a month unless by notice)

Recent Deaths: David Lourey

Anniversaries: We pray for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Patricia Lineen, Ian McKenzie, Frank Fahey, Marie Fahey, Francis Sargeant, John McKenzie, Maude Gaut. (The names won't appear automatically Unless by notice)

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.

Parish Notices

All notices need to be delivered in writing, emailed, or phoned into the Parish Office by noon Thursday. George Swierczek: 0439 145 805

4th Sunday of Easter Year B. 21/04/2024

"Our Parish Community wishes to respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we live, work and **worship Our God."**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ministers of the Word Online Training

Programs: The ACU Centre for Liturgy, which is endorsed by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, offers online training programs for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ministers of the Word. The next Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion program will begin on April 9 and Ministers of the Word program will begin on June 4. Both programs will be available again at various times throughout the year. For registration details and more information go to <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/institutes-academies-and-centres/acu-centre-for-liturgy/pastoral-training>

Last Month's Collection (March):

I would like to thank everyone for their assistance & support. Last Month, (for March) you generously gave to the Parish \$3502.56 & Presbytery \$2107.05. God bless you and keep you all safe in His Care. Thank you very much for your generous support & care for the Parish.

150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat

Bishop Paul invites parishes to acknowledge the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat at Masses on the weekend of April 27-28, 2024. He has invited schools to mark the anniversary during the week of April 29 to May 3, coinciding with Catholic Education Week which was brought forward for the occasion. Resources are being provided to parishes for inclusion in Masses on this weekend.

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 April – for the role of women: Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognised in every culture and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world. Lord, hear us.

Fourth Sunday of Easter is Vocation Sunday, April 21, 2024

You might like to include a Prayer of the Faithful at the Celebration of the Sunday Eucharist and provide a time for Prayer for Vocations in the parish during the week following Vocation Sunday. There is a bulletin notice below and a prayer for vocations. Possible Prayers of the Faithful for Sunday:

- For all young people around the world, that through listening to the voice of Jesus in their hearts, and the communities to which they belong, they will discover their gifts and follow his call to service. Lord, hear us.
- For families, Universities, Colleges and schools that through prayer, education, nurture and love they will encourage the young to discover God's particular call for them to be of service to the world. Lord, hear us.
- On this Vocation Sunday we pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Lord, hear us.

Prayers for ANZAC Day

- We pray for all airmen, sailors and soldiers who served and bravely lost their lives in battle during times of conflict, especially members of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. May they rest in the peace of Christ and rise in glory on the last day. Let us pray to the Lord.
- We remember all families, parents and children who lost loved ones through war. May the light of God's hope and strength comfort them. Let us pray to the Lord.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

First Reading: [Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12](#)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

This is the only name by which we can be saved.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29. R. v.22](#)

(R.) The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men:
it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. (R.)
2. I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.
The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. (R.)
3. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end. (R.)

Second Reading: [1 John 3:1-2](#)

A reading from the first letter of St John

We shall see God as he is.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: *(Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation)* [John 10:14](#)

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Gospel: [John 10:11-18](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.

Jesus said: 'I am the good shepherd:
the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.'

The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd. The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

In the regions where Jesus was an itinerant preacher, three or four flocks could be kept in a communal sheepfold for safety. In the morning, the shepherds would come and, as each called out, the sheep attuned to the sound of his voice would follow to life-giving pasture. We are surrounded by hundreds of voices clamouring for our attention. We are bombarded by messages, social media incessantly chattering. Jesus invites us to get attuned to *his* voice, listening for the distinctive sound of it so that, even if it is faintly heard in a cacophony, we immediately turn toward it so that we can follow it in a life-giving direction. How do we get attuned to that voice? By reading the gospels. A Chinese student once told me that the Chinese character for gospel is 'happy sounds'. I like the plural. Jesus' gospel voice is not a monotone but a polyphony sounding in different ways in different situations. As disciples, we have to get onto the same wavelength as that voice so that we can echo it in our own lives. We become reverberations of Christ's voice in many different situations, helping him to lead others to life-giving pastures. We could take a moment to pray for better listening so that we might recognise the gospel voice of Jesus Christ, especially at the moment of death. Then we may hear the one voice we need and long for: 'Today you will be with me in paradise.'

21-April-2024 4th Sunday Easter	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	B Hammond	P Dwyer
11am: Camperdown	C McCarthy	A O'Flynn	M Macauley
Counting Team: G & W Gleeson		Altar Camperdown: L Hickey/M Larkins	
Church Cleaning: MRC		Altar Cobden: A Scott	
Marian Statue: P & L Hickey			

28-April-2024 5th Sunday Easter	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	G Kelson	J Dwyer	G Gleeson
11am: Camperdown	A O'Flynn	J Saunders	T. O' Leary
Counting Team: G & W Gleeson		Altar Camperdown: S Swain/G Lucas	
Church Cleaning: S Grinter		Altar Cobden: A Scott	
Marian Statue: B Hewitt			

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