



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: Lismore 500 pm

Timboon 6.00 pm

Camperdown 7.30 am

Sun: Cobden 9.00 am

(Lay Assembly -N/A)

Reading for the next Sunday

1st Reading: Acts 10:37-43

2nd Reading: Colossi 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Dear Friends, This weekend we celebrate Palm Sunday in which we commemorate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. A large crowd welcomes Jesus into Jerusalem, spreading their cloaks on the road and cutting branches from trees and putting them in his path. Here, Jesus is received the way worldly kings are welcomed by their local people. The crowd is overwhelmed with joy because they see Jesus as their Messiah who comes to save them from their oppressors, especially the Romans. They shout "Hosannah", meaning 'save us now'. But Jesus does not enter the city like a king. Instead, he rides on a donkey fulfilling the prophecy of the prophet Zechariah of a meek king entering Jerusalem. In ancient times, kings had their royals ride on powerful horses and chariots in the pattern of the Greco-Romans cultures. Still, the humble ride does not hide the kingly dignity of Jesus, who shall proclaim peace to the nations. Peace cannot be conquered by the sword. It is a gift of God. We obtained this peace through risen Christ Jesus. As we go through the 'Holy Week' in coming days let us closely take part in Jesus' passion, death and resurrection and obtain his gift of peace in our lives.



Saints and Feasts:

Mon- Jesus cleanses the Temple.

Tues- Jesus Warns the destruction of Jerusalem.

Wed- Judas Speaks to the Priests

Thu- Holy Thursday

Fri- Good Friday

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember and pray those who are sick: Kristen Pickford, Bernd Menz, Peter Karlsen, and Shirley Fletcher.

(the names here will only appear for a month unless by notice)

Recent Deaths: Paul Richies

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

Olive Bant, Sue Henderson, Patrick Maloney, Michael Murray, Alice O'Brien, Neil Benallack. (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

(6th) Passion Sunday - Lent. Year B. 24/03/2024

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



Project Compassion 2024 – Fourth Sunday of Lent: Meet Memory

- As the eldest child in a low-income farming family in rural Malawi, Memory faced many barriers to her education. But, with the support of Caritas Australia, she enrolled in a technical school and became the first female carpenter in her village. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting <https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion> or by calling 1800 024 413.

Holy Week Ceremonies for the Camperdown & Timboon Parishes

Holy Thursday 28th March – 5.00 pm Timboon

5.00 pm Lismore (LLA)

7.30 pm Camperdown

Good Friday 29th March – 10.00 am Camperdown, it is an Ecumenical Service of the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday starts on 10. am at the corner of Manifold Street and Hampden Hotel. All welcome.

Afternoon Service – 3.00 pm Camperdown, and 3.00 pm Timboon.

Holy Saturday 30th March – 5.00 pm Lismore

6.00 pm Timboon

7.30 pm Camperdown

Easter Sunday 31st March - 9.00 am Cobden.

Parish Rosters for 2024: are available in the foyer today. Please collect after Mass. If unavailable on your turn, please arrange for someone else to take your place. Thanks for Rose Henry, Nicole Darcy & Jordy Muller for preparing the Roster for the year 2024 & all those who have volunteers to take part.

Mass of the Oils 2024 & 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat

The Mass of the Oils this year will incorporate acknowledgement of the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat and will be held on Monday, March 25, 2024 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 11.30am (please note change of time). Lunch and displays will follow in the Hall.

Holy Land Collection – Good Friday, March 29, 2024

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday. For 800 years, the Franciscan Friars have shared the difficult lives of Christians in the countries that make up the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land: Israel and Palestine, Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Rhodes and Cyprus. The people of these countries face their own difficulties, but particularly Christians due to their minority status. Among them, the friars have never ceased offering their pastoral care. Two years ago, it was the pandemic that was causing havoc for the people in the Holy Land (as it was in the rest of the world), but now there is a new and more dangerous threat through the ongoing conflict which may last for quite some time. Just when pilgrims were starting to return, the Sacred Places of our Christian Faith are once again closed to pilgrims. Pilgrims are vital because they generate income that allows the Friars and the local Church to fulfil their mission of caring for the Holy Places

150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat - Resources

The following resources are available from the diocesan website

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/150th-anniversary-of-the-diocese-of-ballarat/>

- The text and PowerPoints of the three anniversary songs - Together We Build our Place, It's Raining in the Mallee and Humble Service;
- The text of the Anniversary Prayer and a copy of the prayer card;
- The 150th Anniversary logo.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

First Reading: [Isaiah 50:4-7](#)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

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

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2](#)

(R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

1. All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' (R.)
2. Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. (R.)
3. They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)
4. I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons.' (R.)

Second Reading: [Philippians 2:6-11](#)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

Gospel Acclamation: *(Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation)* [Philippians 2:8-9](#)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, and said to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" say,

“The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately”.

And they went away, and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street; and they untied it. And those who stood there said to them, ‘What are you doing, untying the colt?’

And they told them what Jesus had said; and they let them go.

And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments on it; and he sat upon it. And many spread their garments on the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields.

And those who went before and those who followed cried out, ‘Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Hosanna in the highest

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

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

In this final Lenten Sunday, we see that we have been saved through the kenotic (partial renunciation of divine nature) humility of Jesus, not through military power. We have a saviour who was crushed for our iniquities, nailed to a cross as a convicted criminal, and there endured the sense of abandonment. However, this saviour was later lifted up and exalted precisely because he emptied himself of his divine prerogatives.

Jesus became one of us in order to show us how we are to live. He was raised up because he himself was first willing to be put down. The passion recounts the extent to which he willingly offered himself. We have a saviour who first offered himself *for* us and then continues to offer himself *to* us as an example to follow. As he was willing to empty himself for our sake, so we are told to empty ourselves for the sake of others.

The best way to enter Holy Week with him is in the company of those with whom he has identified himself: the poor and the broken; the humiliated and the marginalised; those who suffer the abuse of others; those who never use rank to force their will. If we are to be saved, we must go where salvation takes place: in our streets and in our homes where violence rages; in the dark corners of life where despair seems to hold sway; wherever the innocent are abused or the needy are neglected; wherever there is misunderstanding or fear or jealousy. We must go wherever Christ empties himself for us.

24-March-2024	Palm Sunday	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden		G Gleeson	M McKenzie	N/A
11am: Camperdown		R Henry	M Smart	C Conheady
Counting Team: B & M Hewitt			Altar Camperdown: S Swayn G Lucas	
Church Cleaning: MRC			Altar Cobden: Kate Daffy	
Marian Statue: J Fry				

31-March-2024	Easter Sunday	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden		K Daffy	B Hammond	N/A
11am: Camperdown		S Grinter	C McCarthy	S Grinter
Counting Team: B & M Hewitt			Altar Camperdown: M Russell A Gardner	
Church Cleaning: C Walsh			Altar Cobden: Kate Daffy	
Marian Statue: B Hewitt				

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