



St Joseph's Parish Timboon
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St. Andrew's Simpson
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The book of deceased parishioners, relatives and friends will be in the churches during the month of November.

Envelopes for **November Masses for the Deceased** are available in the churches.

Our Diocesan Community is available. It contains a photo and article of Fr. Dan's last Mass

St. Joseph's Parish is hosting the ecumenical lunch on Wed. 7th Dec. 12 noon. Fr. Murnane is the guest speaker.

The **Parish Leadership Team** is holding its meeting on Tuesday 15th November at 7:00 p.m.

Columban calendars are on sale \$10 ea.

Amanda Smith from the Diocese will conduct a program for primary aged children starting during 10.45 Mass in Timboon on Dec 4th. and continuing into the afternoon with lunch and a Nativity play. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please let someone on the Leadership Team know.

Fr Peter will be in Melbourne for surgery and will not be available for Masses on Sunday 20th November. He hopes to be back for the 27th. In Fr Peter's absence a priest from the Diocese will say Mass in Simpson and Timboon as usual.

What, Me A Contemplative?

What is a contemplative? Is it only a Carmelite nun or a Cistercian monk, living in a cloister?

Does contemplation mean sitting alone, silently thinking about the Mystery of God? Neither of these is true. Contemplation is the calling of every Christian; of *anyone* seeking God. Jesus was a contemplative, but not only for the forty days he spent in the desert, or his nights away from the crowds up in the hills. He saw God in every person, perhaps in every sheep and blade of grass. "You are the light of the world" (Mt 5:14). "It is God who clothes the wild grass" (Mt 6:36)

To become a contemplative we do need to spend time in silence and in asking God to help us to know God. Contemplation is the process of moving oneself into God's own mind, heart, and consciousness. It comes little by little, but it also comes instantaneously, when we are blown away by something or someone beautiful among God's works. We are meant at some point to drop our wordy prayers and move into what the ancient mystics call "prayer without words"; the prayer of consciousness. This prayer is the very breath of life.
 Fr Peter Murnane

The Diocesan Code of Conduct for Caring for Children provides that each parish shall conduct an annual review of its environment to ensure that it is safe for children. This is being carried out in St Joseph's parish at the moment.

The Parish of Timboon is a Parish with a Supervised Community Leadership. The Parish Leadership Team coordinates parish life and lay pastoral ministry supported by the Supervising Priest and the Visiting Priest.
 Fr Peter Murnane 0478 761 231



Parish Leadership Team:

Moderator: Jean McMeel

Members: Marlene van Nieuwkerk, Katrina Currell, Gerard Vogels, Charles Martin, Pat Nicholson and Joanne Robertson

Parish Secretary: George Swierczek

Our sick: Terry McMeel, Pat Gaut, Sarah Vogels, Bailey Delaney, Ann Dodd, Andrew Cook, Frank Vogels, Heather Paton, Tania Vogels, Margaret Dillon.

November Anniversaries: Anthony Allan, Paul Brick, Trudy Arnold, Frank Fleming, Ben Tannahill, Lucy Dwyer, Johan Gagel, Carolina Gagel, Joe Vogels, Corry Vogels, Margaret Dundon, Haigh Smethurst, Ted Stokes, Jack Hunt.



Catholic Mission Appeal

Thank you for your generous support for the annual Catholic Mission Appeal. Our parish has raised \$232.25 towards this appeal. If you have not already donated and wish to do so, could you please place your donation into a clearly marked envelope "Catholic Mission" with your name, address and contact details and indicate if you wish to receive a taxation receipt.

St Andrew's, Simpson have either Mass or Assembly of W & C each Sunday at 9 am.

St Andrew's statue roster:
 13th November G Swierczek;
 20th Nov. M & M Dillon; 27th Nov. N & E Weel

Timboon	12th Nov 6:00 p.m. Assembly of W&C	20th Nov Mass 10:45 a.m.	26th Nov 6:00 p.m. Assembly of W & C
Welcome	F Evans	N McKinnon	L Tregea
Leaders	P Nicholson M van Nieuwkerk		J McInerney E O'Connor
Statue	B Delaney	G & J Delaney	K Currell
Reader	M Leske	J McInerney	L McInerney
P.O.F.	D Denny	N Denny	M van Nieuwkerk
Gifts		J & J McKenzie	
M of C	C Marr	G Delaney L Tregea	J McMeel
Church cleaning	M Leske M van Nieuwkerk	M Leske M van Nieuwkerk	M Leske M van Nieuwkerk
Bulletin	G Swierczek M Dillon	G Swierczek M Dillon	G Swierczek M Dillon
Slides	A Vogels	A Vogels	A Vogels