



**St Joseph's Parish Timboon**  
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**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.  
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**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

Today we welcome **Father Anthony Nagothu** who is celebrating Masses at St Andrew's Simpson and St Joseph's Timboon.

**Why Is Ordinary Time Called Ordinary?**

Ordinary Time is called "ordinary" not because it is common but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered. The Latin word *ordinalis*, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word *ordo*, from which we get the English word *order*. Thus, the numbered weeks of Ordinary Time in fact represent the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.

It's appropriate, therefore, that the Gospel for the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (which is actually the first Sunday celebrated in Ordinary Time) always features either John the Baptist's acknowledgment of Christ as the Lamb of God or Christ's first miracle—the transformation of water into wine at the wedding at Cana.

Thus for Catholics, Ordinary Time is the part of the year in which Christ, the Lamb of God, walks among us and transforms our lives. There's nothing "ordinary" about that!

**Why Is Green the Color of Ordinary Time?**

Likewise, the normal liturgical color for Ordinary Time—for those days when there is no special feast—is green. Green vestments and altar cloths have traditionally been associated with the time after Pentecost, the period in which the Church founded by the risen Christ and enlivened by the Holy Spirit began to grow and to spread the Gospel to all nations.

The **Parish Leadership Team** will hold its meeting on the 17th January at 5:00 p.m. Amanda Smith Pastoral Services Consultant will be in attendance as we begin the discernment process for the new Parish Leadership Team to take effect from April 2017.



**Dedication of the Loreto Window at All Saints' Parish Church, Portland**

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Paul to give thanks for the presence and ministry of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Portland and the dedication of the Loreto Window in All Saints' Parish Church on Sunday, January 22, 2017 at 10.30am. Light lunch will follow at the Parish House. RSVP by January 13, 2017 to PO Box 210, Portland, 3305 or email: portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au

**Our sick:** Bailey Delaney, Andrew Cook, Frank Vogels, Heather Paton, Tania Vogels, Margaret Dillon, Xavier Reicha and Albert van Es.

**January Anniversaries:** Madge Boyle, Vera Hickey, Bill Haig, Brian Fleming, Patrick F Nicholson, Greg O'Flynn, Laurie Loft, Peg Duffy, Nancy Nugent and Jim Rylance Snr.



**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Lay Pastoral Ministry Program - start in 2017!**

The Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers low-cost opportunities for online study and formation for lay workers, both employees and volunteers. Details on the diocesan website (link to Program on lower front page) email: [amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or phone 5337 7125

**St Andrew's statue roster:**

January 15th: M & M Dillon  
 January 22nd: G Swierczek  
 January 29th: N & E Weel

**National Year of Youth.** The Australian Bishops have identified the liturgical year of 2018, beginning on the first Sunday of Advent (3rd December 2017), as a **national Year of Youth.**

**The Year of Youth** invites the Church into prayerful discernment about the importance and life-giving presence of young people in the local Church and society. It calls for dialogue and active engagement focused on the reconnection and renewal of a new generation of young people in the life.

**St Andrew's, Simpson** have either a Mass or Assembly of Word and Communion each Sunday at 9 am.

Timboon	15th January Mass 10:45 a.m.	21st January 6 pm Assembly of W & C	29th January Mass 10:45 a.m.
Welcome	P Martin	A McMeel	F Evans
Leaders		P Nicholson C Martin	
Statue	D & M Maloney	G & A Vogels	G & M Townsend
Reader	T O'Connor	M van Nieuwkerk	N McKinnon
P.O.F.	E O'Connor	R Hoffmann	G Delaney
Gifts	J & L McInerney		O'Connor Family
M of C	A & R McMeel	P Martin	J & L McInerney
Church cleaning	R Hoffmann P Thornton	R Hoffmann P Thornton	R Hoffmann P Thornton
Bulletin			
Slides	A Vogels	A Vogels	A Vogels