



Parish of Timboon
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Our Sick: Bailey Delaney, Frank Vogels, Tania Vogels, Xavier Reicha, Fletcher Densley, Fr Peter Murnane, Gerard Robertson and John McKenzie

October Anniversaries: Gus Dickmann, Edith Delahenty, Eileen Bartels, Sandra van Kempen, Frank McKinnon, Graeme Cecil, Greg Carey, Lucy Nicholson and Ann Ryan.

Recent Deaths: Fr Paul Merkovich



Fatima Centenary (Oct 13, 2017)

The year 2017 marks the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady to the three shepherd children at Fatima, Portugal, where the Blessed Mother appeared once each month from May 13 until Oct. 13, 1917.

The message of Fatima highlights many central truths and devotions of the Catholic faith: the Trinity, the Eucharist, penance, the Rosary and sacrifices for the conversion of sinners. There is special emphasis on the Immaculate Heart of Mary, which is a refuge of maternal love for us all and a sure path that leads us to God. In the end, Mary's Immaculate Heart will triumph because Mary is full of God's grace and is all pure. She has the heart of a mother who cares for her children and wishes them to be saved by her divine Son, Jesus.

Although 2017 marks the centenary year, the Fatima apparitions began with the three apparitions of the Angel of Peace (also called the Angel of Portugal) in 1916 and extended beyond 1917 with subsequent apparitions given to Sister Lucia dos Santos in Pontevedra, Spain (1925-1927) and Tuy, Spain (1929).

In 2002, Pope St. John Paul II added the May 13 feast of Our Lady of Fatima to the general Roman calendar. May 13 was the day of the first Fatima apparition of 1917, and May 13, 1981, was the day when St. John Paul II survived an attempt on his life in St. Peter's Square. John Paul II credited his survival to the intervention of Our Lady of Fatima.

Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

The proposed Mass times are follows:

1st Sunday & 3rd Sunday 9.00 am
Simpson/Timboon (alternating)
 5th Sunday 9.00 am
Simpson/Timboon (alternating).
 If Simpson & Timboon want an extra mass for each church, the only option is on Saturday morning, 9.00am or 10.00 am.....Fr Neville Stanislaus

Notices regarding October Mass and Assembly of Word and Communion times have been posted in the Church foyers.



Anti-Poverty Week and Catholic Mission Month.

The Bishop's Social Justice Commission wishes to draw the attention of parishes and schools that there are two foci during the month of October - Anti-Poverty Week and Catholic Mission month. This is a time when through Catholic Mission resources global poverty is emphasised. It is also a time during Anti-Poverty Week (Sunday, October 15 – Saturday, October 21) that awareness can be raised in communities of the poverty experienced in Australia, including your own local district. There is more information in the church foyers for your interest.

30th Anniversary of Ordination of Fr Gary Jones

The Parish of St Peter's Daylesford will be celebrating the 30th Anniversary of Fr Gary's Ordination at 10.30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 15, 2017 followed by morning tea in the Parish Centre. All welcome. Please RSVP to daylesford@ballarat.catholic.org.au to assist with catering.

Supporting Edmund Rice Works: Timor-Leste

Film luncheon "The Mountain Between Us" at the Regent Theatre Ballarat on Sunday, October 22, 2017 at 2.30pm. Cost: \$20.00pp, school students \$15.00. Contact: Liz, ph. 0417 347262 or email lizh@aanet.com.au

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| Timboon | Oct 7th 6:00 p.m. Assembly of W & C | Oct 15th 10:45 a.m. Assembly of W & C | October 21st Mass 6:00 p.m. |
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| Welcome | P Haugh | P Martin | K Currell |
| Leaders | P Nicholson C Martin | T & E O'Connor | |
| Statue | M van Nieuwkerk | K Currell | C & P Martin |
| Reader | N McKinnon | L McInerney | C Marr |
| P.O.F. | A Denny | C Martin | C Martin |
| Gifts | | | D & M Moloney |
| M of C | L Tregua | J McInerney | A McMeel R McMeel |
| Church Cleaning | Vogel Family | Vogel Family | Vogel Family |
| Bulletin | G Swierczek M. Dillon | G Swierczek M. Dillon | G Swierczek M. Dillon |
| Slides | A Vogels | A Vogels | A Vogels |
| Simpson | Oct 8th 9:00 a.m. Assembly of W & C | Oct 15th 9:00 a.m. Assembly of W & C | October 22, 9:00 a.m. Assembly of W & C |
| Statue | G Swierczek | M & M Dillon | N & E Weel |