

#### Parish of Timboon

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# ACBC Days of Fasting and Reparation Liturgy/Prayer Resources, Lent 2018

The Australian Catholic bishops have proclaimed the days from Ash Wednesday until the following Saturday (February 14-17) Days of Fasting and Reparation in sorrow for child sexual abuse and the healing of victims. The Days of Fasting and Reparation are an authentically Catholic response to supplement those efforts. Resources are available from the news section (front page) of the diocesan website.

### **Project Compassion**

Rattanak's story featured this week in Project Compassion gives us a glimpse into a story of courage and transformation. Rattanak is twentynine and a barber in the village of Poh Krom in south-eastern Cambodia. Contracting a fever and becoming ill with polio as a child, Rattanak has some difficulty walking and is profoundly deaf. Emerging from an isolated world at home in his early twenties, he gained skills at the Caritas supported Deaf Development Program. He can now use sign language to communicate and is running a successful business, supporting himself, his wife and their baby.

The program has been one of transformation for Rattanak. He can now understand and see the world in a whole new way. For Rattanak and other young people in his community, 'a just future' started with community.

Through listening to the scriptures today and to Rattanak's story of loving transformation, this has the power to move us. We can be partners in working for a just future for everyone.

Last year, with your help, Project Compassion raised over \$11 million. This amount is testament to your enormous generosity and compassion. Again this year you can make a difference and contribute to A Just Future for our most vulnerable youth and their communities. You can make

your donation in the collection box or use the donation envelopes on your seat. We can also help you run your own fundraising events.

Committing to something meaningful during Lent is another way to draw closer to God, raise money and stand in solidarity with people in need. Why not support Project Compassion throughout the year by becoming a Monthly Giver? If you are interested in making a lasting impact, please come and see me for further information.

A Just Future for all starts with your support. Thank you

Mass of the Oils: Monday, March 26, 2018

The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6.30pm on Monday, March 26, 2018. This Mass is a celebration of the whole Church of the Diocese of Ballarat. We celebrate the unity and ministry of the ordained priests in the midst of the entire priestly people of God of the Diocese. Ministries required for the Mass of the Oils include Ushers, Readers, Oils Bearers, Presentation of the gifts, Collection of Oils, Musicians and Singers. For further information contact the Pastoral Ministry Office,

ph. 5337 7159 or pastoralministorry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

## World Day Of Prayer Friday 2nd March 2018

St Joseph Catholic Church Timboon 1:30pm. Please bring a plate of afternoon tea to share.

Buy Chocolates made without Slavery this Easter. A lot of chocolate is produced using child slavery. Make a difference and choose slavery-free chocolate this Easter. Find out more on the Youth & Young Adult Ministry page www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Our Sick: Bailey Delaney, Frank Vogels, Xavier Reicha,

Fletcher Densley, Fr Peter Murnane, John McKenzie, Geoff Townsend

**February Anniversaries:** M McMeel, M van Nieuwkerk, W Churchill, P O'Connor, N Kennedy, J McMeel, P Maslin, N Pekin, S Boyle, F Hammett, C O'Connor, J Colman, J Delaney, E Maguire, J Fowler, G Bell, J Vogels



Recent Deaths: Francesco Condemi

### Sacramental Program 2018

Fr Neville will be at St Joseph's at 8:00pm, on Monday March 5th for the parent information meeting. Their children will be preparing for the sacraments of Confirmation and first Eucharist to be celebrated on Sunday July 29th. For information contact Ruth Hoffmann 0429 983 253.

### **Chanel College 60th anniversary**

Chanel College 60th anniversary reunion for students of the Marist Fathers era (1958-1970). For details send your email to chanel.geelong@gmail.com or your postal details to PO Box 3069 Geelong West 3218.

## Villa Maria Catholic Homes – Home Care Packages vmch.com.au

Do you or your loved one need care at home? Villa Maria Catholic Homes offers government-funded Home Care Packages designed to support you living independently in your home for longer. To find out more speak to your local expert Marianne, ph. 03 5330 3899

Timboon	25th February 10:00 a.m. Assem- bly W & C	4th March Closed	11th March 10:00 a.m. Assem- bly W & C
Welcome	L Tregea		K Currell
Leaders	C Marr C Bullen		A Vogels P Nicholson
Statue	M van Nieuwkerk	K Currell	J Delaney
Reader	J McInerney		C Marr
P.O.F.	P Nicholson		E O'Connor
Gifts			
M of C	E Roberts		C Bullen
Church Cleaning	L Tregea S Berry	J Delaney	J Delaney
Bulletin	P Nicholson M Moloney	Denney Family	Denney Family
Slides	P Nicholson	A McMeel	A McMeel
Simpson	9:00 a.m. Assembly W & C	9:00am Mass	9:00 a.m. Assembly W & C
Statue	G N & E Weel	P&J de Jong	A &J O'Connor