



Parish of Timboon

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Our Sick:

Bailey Delaney, Xavier Reicha, Fletcher Densley, Fr Peter Murnane, Maria Nguyen, Rylie Hutchinson

February Anniversaries:

Mary McMeel, Mary van Nieuwerkerk, Walter Churchill, Peter O'Connor, Nellie Kennedy, Jim McMeel, Pat Maslin, Nell Pekin, Susan Boyle, Frances Hammet, Carmel O'Connor, James Colman, Joe Delaney, Elaine Maguire, John Fowler, Graeme Bell, John Vogels.

Recent Deaths: Maria Townsend

Dear Friends:

In today's gospel we see that Jesus is preaching a sermon on the mountain and through his teaching he gives his disciples a "way of happiness", which would raise us too above every difficulty and trouble that can put us down with grief and despair in our life.

We know from experience that no one can escape all of the unavoidable trials of life - pain, suffering, sickness, and death. But Jesus, in his sermon on the mount, is addressing the issue of where true happiness can be found. It is a new way of life. We may ask: How can one possibly find happiness in poverty, hunger, mourning, and persecution? Jesus' way of happiness demands a transformation from within - a conversion of heart and mind which can only come about through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit.

So if we want to be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, then we must empty ourselves of all that would shut God out of our hearts. In doing so, we would be able to fill our hearts with the joys and happiness of heaven. Only the new way of life which Jesus outlined in the gospel makes a real meaning to us. Hence, the poverty of spirit finds ample room and joy from possessing God alone as the greatest treasure possible.

So in the coming week let us ponder over this and ask the Lord to shower upon us the power of the Holy Spirit, to understand the nature of "Blessedness" in living for the kingdom of God. - Neville.



Lenten Program

The theme for this year's Lenten program is **Compassion**. If you would like to be part of parish group discussion for Lent or if you would like to follow the book at home

please contact Katrina Currell—0439995010
 Please indicate what you would like to do as soon as possible so Katrina can order the books.



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Plenary Council

Submissions for the Plenary Council are open until March 6, 2019. Bishop Paul has filmed a short video which can be added to your own parish pages (the Pastoral Ministry Office can assist with this) or you may wish to show this at weekend Masses <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/dsp-default.cfm?loadref=131>

For those parishes that have held or are planning to hold a Plenary Council Meeting – let us know and we can publish this information in our diocesan news (photos would be good too).

If you would like to watch the DVD entitled "Listening to the Spirit and Leading change" please see Pat Nicholson as he has copies available. Recommended viewing for those who would like to know more about the Plenary Council.

Please submit your responses by Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2019 at www.plenarycouncil.org.au

Diocese of Ballarat:

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Hospital visits: If you are interested in joining the team which visits patients in the hospital please contact Patty Martin on 0400 533 734 for information

Pastoral Council Committee

meeting: February 19th 2019, 6:00 p.m. in St Joseph's Timboon presbytery.

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 6.30pm Cobden
Sunday: 9am 1st Sun. Simpson
 9am 2nd Sun. Lismore
 9am 3rd/5th Sun. Timboon
 9am 4th Sun. Derrinallum
 (Lay led assembly other weekends)

There are **three umbrellas unclaimed** in St Joseph's foyer. Please check if they belong to you and take them home.

Planned Giving Quarterly Reports are available in the church foyers. Thanks for the donations for the upkeep of our parish.

Timboon 2019	17th Feb Mass 9am	24th Feb Ass of W & C 10am	March 3rd Closed
Welcome	N McKinnon	A McMeel	
Leaders		C Marr C Bullen	
Statue	J & G Delaney	C & P Martin	
Reader	P Nicholson	E O'Connor	
P.O.F.	A Denny	D Denny	
Gifts	J & L McInerney		
M of C	P Martin, L Tregoa	M van Nieuwerkerk	
Church Cleaning	S Berry, L Tregoa	S Berry, L Tregoa	
Bulletin	C Marr A McMeel	C Marr A McMeel	
Slides	A McMeel	A McMeel	
Simpson	Closed	Ass of W & C 9:00 a.m.	Mass 9am
Statue		N O'Connor	K & J Robertson