



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 Nieuwkerk, 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.

Diocese of Ballarat:

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

World Day of Prayer – March 1

World Day of Prayer is an inspirational, international, intercultural and interdenominational day of prayer around our planet within 24 hours on the first Friday in March annually. For 92 years Australia has enthusiastically been one of 170 participating countries, with three million Christians involved worldwide last year. This year you are **invited to the Timboon Uniting church on March 1st at 1.30pm**. Please bring a plate of afternoon tea to share.

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)

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

Dear Friends:

This weekend's gospel is a continuation of the last Sunday's gospel. Where we saw a new way of life or a life style to the kingdom of God. Today we see in the gospel Jesus is setting out some guidelines for us to follow in our journey. These guidelines make our life different as children of God. It is through our kindness and love we are invited to reflect the love and mercy of God. That is, to treat others, not as they deserve, but as God wishes them to be treated - with loving-kindness and mercy. Here, God seeks our highest good and teaches us to seek the greatest good of others, even those who hate us. Our love for others, even those who are ungrateful and selfish towards us, must be marked by the same kindness and mercy which God has shown to us.

On the other hand, It is easier to show kindness and mercy when we expect to get some benefits from doing so. But, how much harder when we expect to get nothing in return. Jesus goes further and asks us, to pray for those who do us evil and harm. How can we possibly love those who cause us harm or Evil? Hence, with God's grace, all things are possible. He gives power and grace to those who believe in and accept the gift of the Holy Spirit. His love conquers all, even our hurts, fears and griefs. Such love and grace has power to heal and to save from all evil. It also gives us the courage to return evil with good thing. So let us ask the Lord to inflame our hearts with his love, to live according to the values of the gospel in our life. - 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 viewed at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/dsp-default.cfm?loadref=131>



2019 –20 Sacramental Program

On **Thursday 7th March at 8pm** Fr Neville will be at St Joseph's to meet the parents who have registered their children to commence preparation for the Sacraments after Baptism. Enrolment in the program will be during Mass at St Joseph's on **Sunday March 17th**.

Any enquiries to Ruth Hoffman 0429983253.

Timboon 2019	24th Feb Ass of W & C 10am	March 3rd	March 10th Ass of W & C
Welcome	A McMeel		L Tregia
Leaders	C Marr C Bullen		T O'Connor J McInerney
Statue	C & P Martin		M Turner
Reader	E O'Connor		T O'Connor
P.O.F.	D Denny		N Denny
Gifts			
M of C	M van Nieuwkerk		E Roberts
Church Cleaning	S Berry, L Tregia		J Delaney T Vogels
Bulletin	C Marr A McMeel		P Nicholson M Moloney
Slides	A McMeel		K Currell
Simpson	Ass of W & C 9:00 a.m.	Mass 9am	Ass of W & C 9:00 a.m.
Statue	N O'Connor	K & J Robertson	J Wetemans