

Parish of Timboon

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This year we celebrate Hope, as our Project Compassion theme.

Today we focus on Peter from the Solomon Islands where, surrounded by water, it is proving increasingly difficult to obtain clean drinking water for the local community. Groundwater sources at Peter's boarding school have dried up and rainfall is too unpredictable to rely on. Water in surrounding wells and boreholes often made students sick and time spent walking to collect water has a ripple effect of decreased school attendance. The long daily walks in search of water each day have been particularly challenging for Peter, who has a disability and walks with the aid of a stick.

However, Peter's school community, along with Caritas and its partners, have worked together to build a reliable water system. Everyone gave 100%. Staff and students at the school dug trenches, carried equipment and helped to develop a water management plan, while Caritas and its partners provided a water tank, pump, technical advice and staff for the project.

Peter now looks with hope towards a future where he can easily access clean water when he needs it and he can focus on his education and achieve his dreams.

Peter says, "I would like to thank the people of Australia and hope for Caritas to do more things for us. for our school."

However, there is still much to be done, with taps, toilets, water and sanitation hardware still in great need at the school, and basic water access is still lacking in many other schools.

Our shared humanity demands that we work to ensure that all of us are provided with the basic needs for life. You can also find out more about Peter's story on the Caritas website or how you can fundraise and get involved. Go to

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.
Peter is giving 100%, will you? Hope starts with your support. Thank you.



Plenary Council Update

The Listening and Dialogue phase is over. What happens now? With the Listening and Dialogue phase now complete, the National Centre for Pastoral Research will continue the deep listening process, conducting a qualitative and quantitative analysis of the submissions received and, using best-practice research methods, will identify key themes that have emerged. Then, in May, the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council, the Plenary Council Executive Committee and the Facilitation Team will work together with the National Centre for Pastoral Research to finalise the National Themes for Discerment. Those themes will become the focus for the *Listening and Discernment* phase, which will begin from June 9, and will be the foundations for the Plenary Council agenda. More information about the Listening and Discernment phase will be available shortly. One of the key aspects of the Plenary Council 2020 is prayer.

Our Sick:

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

March Anniversaries:

Charles Boyle, Jeff Lathouwers, Robert Maslin, Brian Smith, Perc Roberts, Mary O'Keefee, Coleman O'Keefe, Matthew Delaney, Park Conheady, Kathleen Noonan, Herman Dickmann, Mary



Pouw, Paul Couch, Barry Risdale, Martin Duynhoven, Geff Gale, Michael Dodd

Diocese of Ballarat:

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

Parish Pastoral Council meeting 19th March 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

Stations of the Cross at St Joseph Church, Timboon at 12 noon on the Fridays of lent.

(Lay led assembly other weekends)

Timboon	March 17th	March 24th	March 31st
2019	Mass 9:00am	Ass of W & C	Mass 9:00am
		10 am	
Welcome	F Evans	N McKinnon	A McMeel
Leaders		A Vogels	
		R Hoffmann	
Statue	B Moloney	T & E O'Connor	D & M Moloney
Reader	M van Nieuwkerk	N McKinnon	A Denny
P.O.F.	L McInerney	P Nicholson	C Marr
Gifts	P Haugh,		S & L Tregea
	A McMeel		
M of C	C Bullen,	E O'Connor	P Martin
	T O'Connor		L McInerney
Church Cleaning	J Delaney	J Delaney	J Delaney
	T Vogels	T Vogels	T Vogels
Bulletin	P Nicholson	P Nicholson	P Nicholson
	M Moloney	M Moloney	M Moloney
Slides	A Vogels	A Vogels	A Vogels
Simpson	Closed	Ass of W & C	Closed
· ·		9:00 a.m.	
Statue	F & B Wouters	G Swierczek	M & M Dillon