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Dear Friends,

The gospel of today follows the story of the Good Samaritan. Jesus comes to a village. Martha comes out of her house, she invites him into her house and in no time the water is boiling, nice smells come out of the kitchen; she's running up and down laying the table - busy, busy, busy: no time to sit down, no time to rest, no time to listen. The younger sister Mary does sit down at the feet of Jesus.

The gospel is an amendment to the story of the Samaritan. It wants to show that love of neighbour does not only express itself in concrete help to strangers; it shows that love to neighbour means attention, intimacy, and tenderness. Dag Hammarskjöld, who was for years the secretary general of the United Nations, wrote in his diary: "People who are worried about the world issues, about the global problems, and who are busy with those problems, very easily forget the smaller issues. If you are not willing to be good in the smaller circle of your family and friends, you can't do anything for humanity as such. Without that intimacy, you live in a world of abstractions, in which your solipsism, your hunger for power, your destructive tendencies maim their only more powerful opponent: love".

It is better to be good with all one's heart to one person than to sacrifice oneself for the whole of humanity.

Jesus did both; that is why he sat down with Mary, and again he is our model for all time to come.

...Rev. Fr. Joseph G Donders.



Saints and Feasts:

Mon – St Mary Magdalene

Thurs – St James, Apostle

Fri – Sts Joachim and Anne,
parents of Blessed Virgin Mary

Pray for the Sick:

Anne-Marie Seabright, Brian Wain, Fr Denis Dennehy, Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Beth Hose, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, John O'Brien

Collections

I would like to thank everyone for their assistance and support. Last week you generously gave Envelope collection \$382.40 Presbytery collection \$458.40

Anniversaries of Deaths

Valerie Newling, Mary Canavan, Margaret Timms, Pat McLeod, Eileen Power, Michael Hewitt, Robert Thompson, Kathleen Kelson, William Burke, David James

Parish Notices

All notices need to be delivered in writing, emailed or phoned into the Parish Office by noon Thursday.
George Swierczek 0439 145 805

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 will be held on the other weekends)

Sunday: 11 am Camperdown.

Weekday Mass Times

No weekday Masses July

Wednesday: 9am Cobden

(2nd Wed. 10.30 Lovely Banks)

2nd Thurs. 10.30 Sunny Side

Friday: 9.30 am Camperdown

When there is a funeral, morning Mass will be cancelled.

Mass times next weekend

Sat 6.30 pm Cobden

Sun 9 am Derrinallum

Sun 11 am Camperdown

Next weekend's Readings

Gen 18:20-32, Col 2:12-14,

Lk 11:1-13

Welcome: We welcome Fr. Kevin Arundell to the Parishes of St. Brendan's Cobden, St Patrick's Camperdown and St Joseph's Timboon where he will celebrate Masses this weekend.

Social Justice Statement 2019-2020

We celebrate Social Sunday on 29 September. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: "Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world". It shares Pope Francis' challenge to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world'. It points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this world, but active citizens shaping it.

For further details about the Social Justice Statement, visit the Office for Social Justice website (www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or call (02) 8306 3499.

Diocesan Vision Consultation

Bishop Paul, through the Bishop's Advisory Council, has initiated a consultation process with the people of the diocese regarding developing a Diocesan Vision for now and the coming years. A letter from the Bishop and information about the consultation process has been sent to parishes. The information is now on the diocesan website and included with this email. The consultation process is open until July 29 (**please note date has been extended**) and parish and diocesan groups and others are encouraged to participate.

Plenary Council Candidates for the National Writing Groups:

These people will review the responses from the parish 'Listening and Discernment' encounters and create the papers and material forwarded to the participants of the Plenary Council meeting in 2020. Six writing groups, one for each theme, will be created for this purpose. The media release attached will provide you with more information. You are asked to give consideration to whether there are members of your parish communities who could be suitable for the Discernment and Writing Groups. This role will require a significant amount of time and commitment. Members will require an ability to understand Vatican documents, read theology and appreciate scripture. Job descriptions, codes of conduct, terms of engagement and other organisational elements for this process of recruitment are available on the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au under Plenary Council or the Plenary Council website <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/news/working-groups/>. Applicants will be interviewed in person or by videoconference.

Positions Vacant – Plenary Council Discernment and Writing Group Chairs and Members

As we move into the 'Listening and Discernment' stage of preparation for the Plenary Council 2020, the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council is seeking people who are willing to be leaders and partners in the process of discernment. Opportunities are available to apply to be the Chair, or to be a member, of one of six Discernment and Writing Groups. For more information visit www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/plenary_council, the Office for Employment Relations website www.employmentrelations.catholic.org.au or contact Ms Olivia Lee, ph. (02) 9919 7822, email olivia.lee@catholic.org.au. Applications close on **July 22, 2019**.

Plenary Council – National Theme for Discernment #4

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Humble, Healing and Merciful? This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a deep and faith-filled trust in God and a need for lament and healing within the Church, acknowledging the sexual abuse crisis as a turning point for the Church in Australia. Find out more at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

World Day Against Trafficking in Persons – July 30 July 30 marks the World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. Please consider a donation to our member organisation, [Australian Catholic Religious Against the Trafficking in Humans \(ACRATH\)](http://www.acrath.org.au), so that it can continue its work with the community towards the elimination of human trafficking in Australia, the Asia Pacific region, and globally <https://acrath.org.au/>

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Gen 18:1-10

A reading from the book of Genesis

Lord, do not bypass your servant.

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?

He who walks without fault;

he who acts with justice

and speaks the truth from his heart;

he who does not slander with his tongue. (R.)

2. He who does no wrong to his brother,

who casts no slur on his neighbour,

who holds the godless in disdain,

but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)

3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;

who takes no interest on a loan

and accepts no bribes against the innocent.

Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

Second Reading Col 1:24-28

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) See Lk 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart

and yield a harvest through perseverance.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 10:38-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

The Gospel of the Lord

REFLECTION by Greg Sunter

Like so much of the Gospel of Luke, this week's passage is, at its heart, all about hospitality. This theme has featured in the gospel readings for the last couple of weeks. It is a theme that the writer returns to over and over again throughout the gospel to reinforce not only the importance of welcoming the message of Jesus, but also the extravagantly generous hospitality and welcome that God extends to all people.

Taken at a literal level, this week's gospel passage can be a problematic one. Jesus is dining at the house of Martha and she busies herself trying to be a good host and serving her guest, while her sister, Mary, simply sits and enjoys the company of Jesus. Martha complains about her sister's apparent laziness and finds herself chastised by Jesus.

On the surface, Martha is doing the right thing: providing hospitality for her guest. Yet Mary is the one whose actions are affirmed. Like in the parable of the Good Samaritan last week, the gospel writer reminds us that being preoccupied with one's duty – even in service of God – is not what God desires. Martha has forgotten that the guest is also a gift! Having welcomed and shown appropriate hospitality to her guest, Martha should have then accepted the gift of the guest, that is, the company and presence of the welcome guest. Instead she continues to busy herself with serving while her sister shows true welcome: accepting the gift of the guest's company.

When we welcome a guest into our house, we can be too worried about impressing the guest with lavish hospitality and our best serving ware, rather than relaxing and enjoying the company of the guest. Like Martha, we can overlook the fact that God is present when we welcome a guest.

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21-July-2019 – 16 th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	G Kelson	Hammond Family	J Blair P Dwyer
9 a.m. Lismore Assembly	G Keating	G Keating		M Barry
11 a.m.: Camperdown	St Pat's	St Pat's	St Pat's	St Pat's
Counting Team: M & K McKenzie	Altar Camperdown: M Russell(G) A Gardner			
Church Cleaning: J Saunders	Altar Cobden: Shirley Rohan Sue Ralph			
Marion Statue: L & J Delaney	Altar Derrinallum: T May-Lindsey			

28-July-2019 – 17 th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	G Kelson	M McKenzie	J Dwyer	J Blair J Hammond
9 a.m. Derrinallum	A Bell	K Bell		S McLeod
11am: Camperdown	M Macaulay	A O'Flynn	Kerr Family	M McKenzie M Russell R Henry
Counting Team: N & S Pemberton	Altar Camperdown: S Swayne G Lucas			
Church Cleaning: M Sinnott	Altar Cobden: Shirley Rohan Sue Ralph			
Marion Statue: M & D Moran	Altar Derrinallum: M Barry			

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