



**Parish of Timboon**

St Joseph's Timboon & St Andrew's Simpson

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**WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH .**



**Plenary council**

**Inclusive, participatory and synodal** theme had 18 people involved listened and produced a range of ideas and actions.

1. Train all parish members giving information, support, acceptance of difference, accept and share talents, fully sharing the decision making process and a complete two way communication.
2. You influence other people by your actions (so make it good).
3. Relevance of the man made verses God made rules.
4. Combine more openly with other faiths.
5. The competition between mass and lay lead assemblies.
6. Explain the guidelines for the parish to all members.
7. Understanding your own faith and be happy in it.

We plan to continue this phase of the plenary council starting late January, and hope that you will participate. It will be announced in January, with notices and information sheets available well in advance.

There will be a **Christmas theme** for the usual cuppa after Mass on **Sunday Dec 15th**. If you are able, please bring a small plate of your favourite Christmas food to share. **All Welcome.**

**Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – now open for new participants**

A low-cost online study and formation for lay workers in parish and other ministries; employed or not. Sacraments, Scripture, Youth Ministry, Liturgy, Leadership and more. Study over 5 weeks per subject.

Next study cycle begins **January 12**.

Copies of Our Diocesan Community and Frankly are available in the church foyers .

**The beauty of our faith is a gift to be shared**

As we celebrate Christmas 2019, we look back on a year that has brought many challenges for us all. Some of those challenges are deeply personal and private to each one of us; others, I am sure, reflect our concerns for the society in which we live and the Church to which we belong. This is true every year, of course. We are all richly gifted, but still flawed and imperfect people. We live in what is often called the “lucky country” but that luck, or rather the rich blessings of Australia, are not shared by everyone. And we belong to Christ’s Church, the Church he promised to be with until the end of time, but a Church which is made of up frail and sinful people who can so easily turn their backs – our backs – on the presence of the Lord among us.

**Our Sick:** Bailey Delaney, Fletcher Densley, Maria Nguyen, Rylie Hutchinson, Jack Cahill, Betty Delaney.

**December Anniversaries:** T Lathouwers, S Freeman, C Baxter, E Boyle, B Fleming, C Karo, L McCluskey, J McCluskey, Sr C Madden, B Parsons, D Tregea, M Tregea, T Vogels, A Dodd, W O.Keeffe, A Vogels, H Craven, P Bourke, C Brennan, T McMeel



**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Christmas Mass Times**

Tuesday Vigil Timboon, Cobden 6:00pm  
Camperdown 8:00 pm.  
Wednesday Derrinallum 8:30am

**Reconcilliation Rites**

Timboon 15th December,  
Derrinallum and Camperdown 22nd December

**Parish Pastoral Council;**

meeting Wednesday 11th December 6pm in St Joseph presbytery

**News of parish appointments** from Jan 1st 2020, in our diocese, is posted on the notice

**Columban Calendars** on sale for \$10. The sale of these calendars supports the work of Columban missionaries around the world.



**Carols at the 12 Apostles** will be held on **Sunday Dec 15th** at 7.30 pm.

**Weekend Mass Times**

**Cobden** Saturday: 6.30pm  
**Simpson** Sunday: 9am 1<sup>st</sup> Sun.\*  
**Lismore** Sunday 9am 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun.  
**Timboon** Sunday 9am 3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Sun.,  
Rosary 8:35 a.m.\*  
**Derrinallum** Sunday: 9am 4<sup>th</sup> Sun.  
**Camperdown** Sunday 11 am  
(Assembly of Word and Communion other weekends)  
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[www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

<b>Timboon 2019</b>	<b>Dec 8th Ass of W &amp; C 10am</b>	<b>Dec 15th Mass 9am</b>	<b>Dec 22nd Ass of W &amp; C 10am</b>
Welcome	A McMeel	N. McKinnon	A. McMeel
Leaders	E & T O'Connor		K. Currell & C Martin
Statue	K Currell	C & P Martin	J & D Delaney
Reader	N McKinnon	K Currell	A Denney
P.O.F.	E O'Connor	T O'Connor	D Denney
Gifts		J & L McLnerney	
M of C	P Martin	S Berry, L Tregea	M van Nieuwerker
Church Cleaning	M Turner	M Turner	M Turner
Bulletin	P Nicholson. M Moloney	P Nicholson. M Moloney	P Nicholson. M Moloney
Slides	A Vogels	A Vogels	A Vogels
<b>Simpson</b>	<b>9am Ass Of W &amp; C</b>	<b>Closed</b>	<b>9am Ass Of W &amp; C</b>
Statue	J Wetemans	F & B Wouters	G Swierczek