



Parish of Timboon

St Joseph's Timboon & St Andrew's Simpson

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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH .



We Are Given What We Choose

For 2000 years we've been living in the final chapter of an amazing story. Before it ends, Jesus wants us to get positioned for what's next even as we live in the undeniable context of what's now.

For instance, we're tempted to feel pretty good if we don't kill or commit adultery. Not bad, eh Lord? The religious folk of Jesus' time said the same thing because they led morally correct lives according to the law. Don't kid yourself,

Jesus advises. Claiming righteousness now puts us in a bad position for the dawning kingdom. The truth is we're ALL sinners in need of forgiveness. "Who needs a doctor: the healthy or the sick?" Jesus asks later in Matthew, "I'm after mercy, not religion" (9:12-13).

In light of this, it's better to settle our differences than to maintain conflicts. Reconciliation is key: that's why it's a sacrament! It's a visible sign of the inward reality of the kingdom. But to claim it, we have to practice it. Only by living forgiveness do we experience it.

In what ways do you tend to see yourself as a pretty good person? How does "self-righteousness" teach you about the deeper reality of sin we all live with?

Make conscious choices this week. See the difference between what's passing and what's important. In the light of the forgiveness given to you, choose to be forgiving.

Report from last Plenary Gathering

16 people Prayerful and Eucharistic

The groups all had the feeling that we need change, however the thing that was to be the outcome of the change was viewed differently.

Whilst there was some fear and trepidation with the form of change, change was seen to be necessary, encouraged, prepared for and maybe some divisions that would need to be worked through. The need to listen to everyone and accept differences in what Christ is asking of each of us in our daily lives. A common theme was that community is a very important part of our prayer were we work as a group to accept difference through interaction which is expected to lead to better outcome for all. Work with other churches (not only catholic) to work on projects within and without the local community.

The first view of some is to increase the reverence within the church, by praying together and asking for divine help to live better lives.

A second view was that the church needs to be modernised to today's ways and expectations.

It was seen as a heavier responsibility to enable both concepts to be viable and enable the behaviour of the church a challenge to the community for the mind, body and spirit. The common thread was to listen and accept difference.

Today the children who will receive the **Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist** on

July 9th 2020 take home their preparation lessons .

Please pray for Jack Couch, Leah & Anna Robb, Evie Gordon and Matilda Douglas

Our Sick: Bailey Delaney, Fletcher Densley, Maria Nguyen, Rylie Hutchinson, Pat Thornton, Betty Delaney, Catherine Marr.

February Anniversaries: Mary McMeel, Mary van Nieuwkerk, Peter O'Connor, Jim McMeel, Pat Maslin, Nell Pekin, Carmel O'Connor, Joe Delaney, John Fowler, Graeme Bell, John Vogels, Nora Townsend, Mary Plozza, Susan Boyle.



Ash Wednesday : February 26th

Assembly of word and Communion at 11am in St Joseph's Church

Next Plenary Council Gathering:

Renewal & Reform " Sessions:
Timboon Tuesday 25th February 7:30 p.m. and Wednesday 26h February 10:00 a.m. Simpson Wednesday 19th February 7:30 p.m. Flyers in foyers.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting

on February 19th in St Joseph's presbytery Timboon at 6pm.

Weekend Mass Times

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

Rosary before Mass will now commence at 8:35 a.m. to allow time for preparation of the church for the celebration

Timboon	16th Feb Mass 9am	23rd Feb Ass of W & C 10am	1st March
Welcome	P Haugh	K Currell	
Leaders		E O'Connor J McInerney	
Statue	G Townsend	P Haugh	
Reader	P Nicholson	T O'Connor	
P.O.F.	L McInerney	M van Nieuwkerk	
Gifts	M Turner C Bullen		
M of C	C Marr L Tregaea	A Vogels	
Church Cleaning	L Tregaea, S Berry	L Tregaea, S Berry	J Delaney T Vogels
Bulletin	A McMeel, C Marr	A McMeel, C Marr	P Nicholson M Moloney
Slides	A McMeel	A McMeel	K Currell
Simpson		Ass of W & C 9am	Mass 9am
Statue	F & B Wouters	G Swierczek	M & M Dillon