

Please remember these people in our prayers

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries

Bill Carroll; Angelo Giofrelle; Max Wilkinson; Antonio Cardin; William Nolen; Marjorie Cole; Frank Carr; Louie Cordoma; Denise Stafford; John Umina

Sick:

Sam Giampaolo; Therese Cummins; Rosa Santos; Kristin Sparto; Debbie Nolen; Jack Hayes; Basilio Alcodia; Gai Trainer; Serena Jenkins; Jeremy Dickson; Carmela Garreffa; Sister Basil



School News

Our Secondary students completed their posters on 'A Prayer for our Earth'. These are displayed in the foyer of the Office. The students were asked to select a sentence from the prayer and then draw what this means to them.



From Bishop Paul~

In our diocese of Ballarat, we will still be allowed to gather for liturgies in churches, with a maximum of 20 people in the congregation, plus those needed to conduct the service. However, **from Monday August 3rd, everyone will be required to wear a face covering** throughout the liturgy. The only exceptions would be when the priest is speaking to the congregation or reading prayers, when a reader is actually reading the Scriptures, when a song leader is leading the singing and when anyone is receiving communion.

**NO
MASK**



**NO
ENTRY**

Please Note

**To receive Communion:
Only in your hands
NOT in your mouth**

Anointing of the Sick, and Sacramental Communion

Fr Anthony is available to administer these sacraments to those who are ill. Please call the Parish Office 50263068 to arrange a visit.

The Parish Collections

*Parishioners wishing to contribute to the Presbytery/Parish finances during the COVID19 restrictions may by bank deposit to the Parish account
Westpac: BSB: 033250
Account number: 870747*

Thanksgiving Program

Thank you to the parishioners who support the work of the Church through their financial contribution. New envelopes, along with receipts, are available from the Parish Office. Please contact parish office/ Pat Curran - 0427 269 211 or email: robinvale@ballarat.catholic.org.au

CDF PAY

Have you heard the Good News?

Our CDF (Catholic Development Fund – Ballarat) together with CDF Pay have developed an online thanksgiving portal known as CDF Pay for Parishes.

During this period of time where Masses in the diocese are suspended or reduced, parishes need the financial support of parishioners more than ever. As the vast majority of our parishioners give physically to our parish in the first and second collection plates, we are encouraging all parishioners to use our new electronic parish thanksgiving program.

You can now use this portal to support our parish in both/either the first and second collections. Electronic thanksgiving offerings can be made as one off payments or you can set up a regular payment. You will receive an electronic receipt for any payments made.

Payment link can be found by scrolling down on our webpage or using the below link.
<https://bit.ly/CDFpayRobinvale>

Parish Leadership Team Meeting

The parish leadership team will meet on Wednesday, 5th August commencing 4.30pm.

Reflections on the Gospel

‘YOU GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO EAT’

The disciples function rather like a modern celebrity’s ‘minders’. When Jesus has finished healing the sick, they urge him to send the crowd away to buy food for themselves before nightfall. Jesus reacts to the word ‘buy’. He will not send people away to buy anything – nor should the disciples. When they point out with astonishment that they barely have enough for themselves (five loaves and two fish), Jesus, acting the part of divine Wisdom who speaks in the First Reading (Isa 55:1-3), freely provides more than enough food for the whole multitude. His gestures in doing so – taking the loaves, blessing, breaking and giving them – clearly foreshadows the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper (Matt 26:26). To participate in the Eucharist is to experience the same divine hospitality so lavishly provided by Jesus. The miraculous feeding and the Eucharist which it foreshadows bring out that the essence of what God wants to do for us is simply be a most generous Host at the banquet of eternal life. At the same time, since it depicts people being fed with real food, it bears directly, in a sacramental sense, upon the problem of world hunger. The Lord who took pity on the large crowd, looks with similar eyes upon our world and instructs us, as he instructed his disciples, ‘Give them something to eat yourselves’. In the words of the Venerable Pedro Arrupe (former Jesuit General): ‘The Eucharist will never be complete so long as people still go hungry in our world’.

New Director of Catholic Education in our Diocese.

With the retirement of Audrey Brown as the Director of Catholic Education Ballarat Diocese, Bishop Paul has announced that our new Director is Mr Tom Sexton, from Bendigo. We wish him every blessing.

MANANGATANG MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sunday 2nd August @ 11:00am

Reader ~ B. Barry

Prayers of the Faithful ~ M.Carroll

Offertory ~ D.Pook

ROBINVALE MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday 4th August @ 6:00pm

Wednesday 5th August @ 6:00pm

Thursday 6th August @ 9:30am

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isa 55:1-3

A reading from the prophet Isaiah Hasten and eat.

Thus says the Lord:

Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty; though you have no money, come! Buy corn without money, and eat, and, at no cost, wine and milk. Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy? Listen, listen to me and you will have good things to eat and rich food to enjoy. Pay attention, come to me; listen, and your soul will live. With you I will make an everlasting covenant out of the favours promised to David.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 144:8-9, 15-18. R. v. 16

The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs.

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, / slow to anger, abounding in love. / How good is the Lord to all, / compassionate to all his creatures.

The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs.

2. The eyes of all creatures look to you / and you give them their food in due time. / You open wide your hand, / grant the desires of all who live.

The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs.

3. The Lord is just in all his ways / and loving in all his deeds. / He is close to all who call him, / call on him from their hearts.

SECOND READING

Rom 8:35, 37-39

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

No creature can separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ.

Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or even attacked. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of him who loved us. For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mt 4:4

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mt 14:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

They all ate and were satisfied.

When Jesus received the news of John the Baptist's death he withdrew by boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But the people heard of this and, leaving the towns, went after him on foot. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them and healed their sick. When evening came, the disciples went to him and said, 'This is a lonely place, and the time has slipped by; so send the people away, and they can go to the villages to buy themselves some food.' Jesus replied, 'There is no need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves.' But they answered, 'All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.' 'Bring them here to me,' he said. He gave orders that the people were to sit down on the grass; then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing. And breaking the loaves he handed them to his disciples who gave them to the crowds. They all ate as much as they wanted, and they collected the scraps remaining, twelve baskets full. Those who ate numbered about five thousand men, to say nothing of women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

St Mary's Parish / St. Patrick's Manangatang News:

Arrangements can be made with Father Anthony on 50 263 068 for groups of 20 to use our church for prayers groups, saying the rosary etc.

A Parish Newsletter is published each week.

It can be emailed out to you if you forward your email address to:

mary.knight20@outlook.com

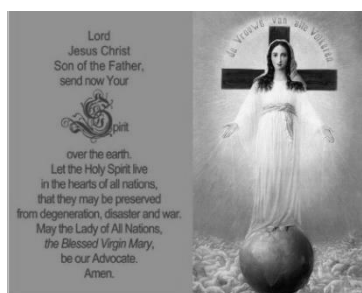
A Newsletter delivery can be organised by calling 0438 6279 20

ST MARY'S PARISH, ROBINVALE



INCORPORATING ST. PATRICK'S MANANGATANG

Sunday 2nd August 2020 ~ 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



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St Patrick's
Manangatang**

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**Baptisms and
Marriages by
Appointment**

**ROBINVALE
WEEKDAY
MASS TIMES**

Tuesday 6:00pm
Wednesday 6:00pm
Thursday 9:30am

**No more than 20
people practising
social distances in the
church at one time.**



Vision & Mission Statement:

At St. Mary's Parishes of Robinvale & St. Patrick's Manangatang, we, as brothers and sisters in Christ, accept as our mission: to know our faith; to live by truth, and love to serve the needs of others to teach by example and thereby strengthen and inspire the Parish family. It is here – in our places of worship – that the faithful gather to worship God, give honour to Mary, and are sent to spread God's word wherever they go!

We are 'Child-Safe and Child-friendly:'

At St. Mary's Catholic Church Robinvale and St. Patrick's Manangatang, we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parishes. Our commitment is drawn from and inherent in the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the gospel.

Our parishes 'Safeguarding Officer' is Mr. Arthur Cassidy. Arthur is responsible for handling any queries; complaints and concerns which may arise. He is contactable at the Robinvale police Station. Our parish communities sincerely thank Arthur in his commitment and service in this fundamentally important area of ensuring the safety and wellbeing of children and young adults.