



St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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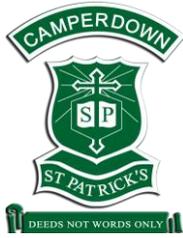
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Dear Friends,

The story of Jesus walking on the water in the Sea of Galilee in the midst of the storm which is told in the gospel of Matthew, reflects our life style. Here we see Peter invited by Jesus to come to him on the water. Peter, who will be the leader of the early church, is given a significant role - he is the "rock" on which Jesus builds his church and is entrusted with the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Here he is expected to focus his sight on Jesus not on the waves that threaten him. That would become our call also to focus on Jesus in the midst of the storm and hardships, whatever may come into our life.

In the gospel, we see that the boat is being tossed by the waves and strong wind. Even though they were tough fishermen and used to the strong wind and waves, they fear for their lives. They become even more terrified when they see Jesus, whom they mistake for a "ghost". This incident of the storm shows the doubt of the disciples, especially Peter. But it also shows the power of Jesus who comes to save. Hence this story is a summons to renew our faith, a faith that devotes its attention to the power of the Lord. Let us ask the Lord to renew our faith through the power of the Holy Spirit so that we may be able to focus on Jesus and live for him amidst the storms in our life. - Neville.



Weekend Mass Times (N/A)

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)

Every Sunday: 10.30 am

Camperdown.

(due to this emergency state)

Saints and Feasts:

Mon – St. Lawrence

Tues – Ss Clare & Philomena

Wed – St Jane Frances de Chantal

Thurs – Ss Pontian & Hippolytus

Fri – St. Maximilian Kolbe

Sat – The Feast of the Assumption

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are in ill health: Fr Denis Dennehy, Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Beth Hose, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, John O'Brien.

Anniversaries of Deaths

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Jean Carroll, Margaret Doherty, Kathleen Howard, Merle Sumner and Annie Wilson.

Please consider making your Planned Giving contributions and Sunday collections via bank transfers. This will help running the parish which still needs to cover its costs while the current situation continues.

Parish bank details: BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8126 (Envelopes).

Presbytery: BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8142 (Collection). Thank you

A Prayer in This Time of Distress: O God, healer of all our ills, to whom we turn in his time of distress, grant, we pray in the power of faith, eternal rest to the dead and comfort to those who mourn, health to the sick and peace to the dying, strength to medical workers, wisdom to our leaders and a spirit of kindness to us all. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your son who lives and Reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit. one God. for ever and ever. Amen.

MASS TIMES:

Wednesday: Cobden at 9 am (No Live Stream)

Friday: Camperdown at 9 am (No Live Stream)

Saturday Vigil: Cobden at 6.30 pm (No Live Stream)

Sunday: Camperdown at 10:30am (Live Stream)

Only Sunday mass can be viewed on YouTube at 10.30 am.

Please Search: St. Patrick Church Camperdown on YouTube.

Or enter the link below into your web browser:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1c1zEq4cD-J1ayzRTSbTcw>

As an alternative you can also visit: <https://www.youtube.com>, enter **St Patricks Camperdown channel** and it will take you to our page.

Collections: I would like to thank everyone for their assistance and support. Last weekend you generously gave to the Parish: \$370 and Presbytery: \$324.50. God bless you and Keep you in His care.

One License copyright during COVID-19

Copyright licenses can be suspended for those parishes who are not currently recording any copyright. Email info@onelicense.net advising your parish ID number, the last date that copyright was recorded in your parish and that there are currently no gatherings and no music due to COVID-19 restrictions. As One License are receiving a large number of emails during this time, please be patient for a reply.

Bishop's Office

In line with government directives aimed at slowing the spread of the coronavirus and safety measures being undertaken throughout our communities, please note the Bishop's office will remain closed to visitors until further notice. Staff are still working to continue supporting our clergy, parish and office staff and communities through these challenging times, and continue being available via email or phone. Contact details until further notice: bishopsoffice@ballarat.catholic.org.au, ph. 03 5337 7121, djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au, vicargeneral@ballarat.catholic.org.au, michael.myers@ballarat.catholic.org.au. The Pastoral Ministry Office pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Stage 3 restrictions have been re-introduced in regional Victoria effective from August 5, 2020. The latest information from Bishop Paul Bird CSsR. All updates are also on the diocesan website "news" section www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Hello Everyone,

As you would be aware, the Victorian government has introduced further restrictions to counter the renewed spread of COVID-19.

In regional Victoria, including our Diocese of Ballarat, Stage 3 restrictions will apply from midnight tomorrow (August 5). The restrictions will apply until September 13.

The regulations require that "religious ceremonies and private worship" be "broadcast only". This means that our churches and chapels will be closed to the general public. It will still be possible to live stream Masses or other services from churches or chapels, although this would only involve those necessary to conduct the services and enable the live streaming. For information about Masses online, you could go to our diocesan website at www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

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The Catholic Diocese of Ballarat is a diverse and geographically extensive Diocese of fifty-one parishes which covers the western third of Victoria, extending from the Murray River in the North to the Southern Ocean in the South. www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

In regional Victoria, there are exceptions for weddings and funerals, though with limited numbers. For weddings, there may only be 5 people (the couple, two witnesses and the celebrant). For funerals, there may be up to 10 people, plus those conducting the funeral.

We are a Child-safe, Welcoming and Environmentally-friendly Parish

It is very sad that we will not be able to gather for Mass in the coming weeks. However, medical advice indicates that the restrictions are necessary for the health of the community. I hope and pray that these steps will be effective in reducing the impact of the pandemic and that we will be able to come together again soon to give thanks to God. In the meantime, we can pray anywhere and anytime in our own heart. Families can pray together at home. We might also pray with others online or simply with a phone call.

Christ promised to be with us always. May we know his presence in the weeks ahead.

Peace be with you. God bless you all.
Bishop Paul

Hello Everyone,

Last week, the Victorian Premier announced some further restrictions aimed at countering the spread of the coronavirus.

From midnight tonight (Thursday, July 30), people living in the local government areas of Colac-Otway, Greater Geelong, Surf Coast, Moorabool, Golden Plains, and the Borough of Queens cliffe, will no longer be able to visit people or have visitors at home. This will affect people in a few of our parishes, such as Apollo Bay and Colac.

The other new provision will affect us all, namely, **the requirement to wear a face covering.**

From midnight on Sunday (August 2), people throughout our diocese, together with people throughout the whole of Victoria, will be required to wear face coverings whenever we leave home.

You can find further details on the Victorian government's web pages, such as at www.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-covid-19-restrictions-victoria

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) restrictions Victoria](http://www.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-covid-19-restrictions-victoria) Details on restrictions in Victoria to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID19). www.vic.gov.au

The government website provides information about particular issues, such as that children under the age of 12 and people with certain medical conditions do not need to wear a face covering.

Here I would simply add a note regarding the celebration of liturgies.

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 3, 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.

As well as the new requirement to wear a face covering, the current requirements about hygiene and distance between people will continue to apply.

God bless you all.
Bishop Paul

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: 1 Kgs 19:9.11-13

A reading from the first book of the Kings

Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave

This is the Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace.
His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R.)
3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

Second Reading: Rom 9:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all,

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Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) Lk 19:38

Alleluia, alleluia! I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Mt 14:22-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Command me to come to you over the water.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a headwind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

The disciples had started off from the Jewish side of the Sea of Galilee, familiar territory. Jesus guided them through the stormy situation to 'the other side', the pagan side, unfamiliar territory where they would not have felt at home. Buffeted by storms, the Church is in the midst of a journey from familiar to unfamiliar territory.

Some of the storms include a new attitude to authority, to gender roles. There is anger and suspicion at sexual abuse and its cover up. In all these situations and many more, Our Lord will not allow us the indulgence of nostalgic yearning for the safety of the past country inhabited by the Church. We must make our way to the other shore.

We could pause for a moment, resolving to row with courage because we know we are in the same boat as Peter whom our Risen Lord assures: 'Do not be afraid.'

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We, the Parish community wish to pledge ourselves for our children's safety and well-being