



Parish of Timboon

St Joseph's Timboon & St Andrew's Simpson

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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH.



Our Sick: Bailey Delaney, Pat Thornton, Patrick Giblin, James Delaney.

Pray for Anniverseries occurring in August including : Vin O'Connor, Mary Maslin, Ety McKinnon, Joan Densley, Mary Wintle, Frank Maguire, Arthur Hammett, Martin Vogels, Norah Place, Jacinta Bracks, Annie & Dick Bartlett, Margaret Grayson



Prayer Resources.

Please draw on the resources of the diocesan website at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au> for prayer resources and links to live masses.

Parish Finances:

If you are able to pay up before the end of **plan giving program** for this year, pay into the parish account (at the National bank personally or electronically) any amounts that you can as part of your Sunday contributions or your planned giving contributions.

Catholic Parish Trust Account No1 Account Timboon BSB 083 928 Acc 516067599. Be sure to reference it to your name. Thankyou who have contributed for this year— new year for the plan giving program starts in October.

Masses on YouTube

The link to the channel is:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1c1zEq4cD-J1ayzRTSbTcw>

The following Mass can be viewed on YouTube: Camperdown 10:30 a.m.

Masses celebrated on:

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. Cobden

Friday: 9:00 a.m. Camperdown

Saturday: 6:30 p.m. Cobden

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Camperdown

Enquiries at St Patrick's Camperdown 03 5593 1284

Please Search: St. Patrick Church Camperdown on YouTube via above link.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19) Church UPDATE:

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 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.

REFLECTION **Duped by God**

Peter must have felt duped by God when Jesus rebuked him. What did he say that was so bad? When Jesus foretold of his future suffering and death, Peter took what he considered an appropriate defensive stand. Not you, Lord! Never!

Only moments earlier, he had called Jesus the Messiah, Peter's understanding of that term meant conquering hero, not suffering servant of God's will. Peter liked to imagine victory achieved without a scratch. Victory gained at the cost of ultimate sacrifice was no victory in his mind. If Peter was duped, it was his own preconceptions about God and religion that betrayed him. Gaining the world at the price of the soul was no bargain. But losing everything for the sake of God's victory is the one purchase we all want to consider.

***For what are you willing to suffer (i.e., love, money, justice, peace, the truth)?
How much are you willing to suffer for these things?***

Avoid being deceived by worldly values. Spend a week refusing to read noticeboards and magazine advertisements, watching commercials, even noting brand labels. Turn your back on the consumer message and exercise your freedom.

Message from Catherine Marr

Thanks you to everyone for their prayers and support during my recent surgery and follow up treatment. I will always be grateful for phone calls, messages, cards, visits and food delivered over many weeks. It really kept me positive and I was able to keep a smile on my face for most of the time. While I will have many medical appointments in the next couple of years, I am feeling well now.

Thanks again to everyone for extending to me a true Christian Spirit of Friendship, generosity, kindness and prayers. Catherine.

The Serenity Prayer: God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; the courage to change the things I can; and the wisdom to know the difference.

22th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A –
August 30th 2020

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Jer 20:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced;
you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.

I am a daily laughing-stock,
everybody's butt.

Each time I speak the word, I have to howl
and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me
insult, derision, all day long.

I used to say, I will not think about him,
I will not speak in his name any more.

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,
imprisoned in my bones.

The effort to restrain it wearied me,
I could not bear it.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 62:2-6. 8-9. R. v.2

(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. (R.)
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. (R.)
3. So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. (R.)

4. For you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 12:1-2

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

Gospel Acclamation See Eph 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart,
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 16:21-27

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'