



St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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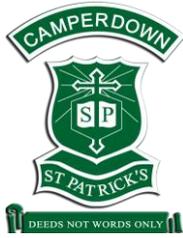
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Dear Friends,

The gospel is a parable about workers in the vineyard. In the parable, the landowner does not treat all the workers in the same way. To those hired first, he acts as an employer; he promises the usual daily wage of one denarius. And at the end of the day he does exactly that, he gives them their due. However, to those hired last the owner chooses to act as a donor: it means a person who treats other people as if they were members of his own family. Such treatment is free and complimentary; it is not earned by the workers.

That those hired last are paid first is an important narrative point. It prepares expectation on the part of those hired first, and their disappointment comes when they are treated as paid workers rather than family members. Because of this they turn envious. However, the evil intention does not work because the owner is good and generous.

The parable shows us something about God's mercy. God acts as our merciful Father. He deals with us not according to what we truly deserve but according to His gracious mercy. God does not owe us anything. But then when we humble ourselves as mere hired workers, He will raise us up and treat us as His beloved children. This parable is calling us to show mercy and kindness towards the people who are poor and needy in our community. - 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 Matthew, the Apostle

Tues –St Maurice

Wed – St Pio of Pietrelcina

Thurs – Our Lady of Walsingham

Fri – Bl Herman the Cripple

Sat – Ss Cosmas & Damian

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, Brian Wain.

Recent Death:

Nancy Anne Wilson

Anniversaries of Deaths

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Dora Beaton, Joan Park, Ian Fry, Valda Russell, Brian Scouller, Frank O'Leary

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:

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.

Call for Readers: If you would like to participate in the Mass streamed on Sundays as a reader, please contact the presbytery on 03 5593 1284 to leave your details.

Mercy Regional College Annual Car Raffle: Tickets Still only \$10. Drawn on 30th November. You could purchase your tickets online at www.cutt.ly/mrc-2020 for more information at www.mercy.vic.edu.au Thank you.

New Diocesan Website: Thank you to all who are uploading the bulletin and updating your parish page on the website. You are doing a wonderful job. A couple of things which might make life easier:

- **Bulletins:** Please name your bulletin when saving on your computer with the parish name first, so for example Linton and then whatever you normally save it as. Then when you upload it, it will be obvious who the bulletin belongs to and will make it easier to keep the media file on the website tidy.
- **Parish page images:** If you would like to update the image on your parish page, please email your new image to us and we will upload this. Preferably, the image should be landscape and high resolution. We will also go through our photos and see if we have images suitable, as some are not quite right with the upgrade to the new website.
- **Parish administrators who manage two or more parishes:** There is now an option to log in once with the ability to edit parish details and upload the bulletin for multiple parishes. You still have to upload it to each parish but you do not have to log out of each parish and log back in. Please get in touch with Jane or Julie if this option might be helpful for you.
- A parish administrators manual for the new website is attached. An instruction video for parish page administrators can be found at this link <https://vimeo.com/452368184/1b497cc311>.
- Updated protocols for website parish page administrators and those accessing the website members area are also attached.

Please contact the Pastoral Ministry Office for any website enquiries pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

'Walking with Wisdom' Contemplative Sessions (via Zoom) – Thursdays, 10am-12.30pm (AEST) on 8, 15, 22 & 29 October 2020. We invite you to join us for a series of contemplative sessions with Carole Carmody rsm and Marlene McGrath, providing opportunities for Deep Listening: to oneself at this unique time in our lives; to Divine Wisdom in the Heart, and in the Hearts of Others; and to engage in a gentle, creative response. Join for one or all sessions. \$85 for the Series or \$25 per session. Bookings at www.trybooking.com/BLILH. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, tel 03 9890 1101, www.heartoflife.melbourne

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

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

Season of Creation 1st September – 4th October 2020 The 5th anniversary 2020 was the beginning of the Special Laudato Si Anniversary Year (24th May 2020 – 24th May 2021) with the hope that it be a time of grace, a true Kairos experience and “Jubilee” time for the Earth. For humanity and all God’s creatures. The theme for Season of Creation 2020 is “Jubilee for the Earth” in which we are invited to consider the integral relationship between the rest for the Earth and ecological, economic, social and political ways of living, the need for just and sustainable systems revealed this year by the global COVID-19 pandemic makes this a time to reflect and further act on the urgency of the situation of our world today and act for future generations with local to national responses.

Liturgically, we celebrate remembering God’s action in prayer.

- For Liturgical resources to guide our reflection on this season, <https://www.columban.org.au/media-and-publications/educational-resources/a-catholic-season-of-creation-sundays-of-september-year-a>
- For further information on the Season of Creation and Ecumenical Resource, <https://seasonofcreation.org/celebration-guide/>
- The Holy Land Collection option has been added to your parish CDF Pay portal, which can be found on the diocesan website. You are more than welcome to direct your parishioners to the site or include the option in any correspondence you send out. The funds received under your parish will be deposited into the parish bank account and as always should be included on the levies (September quarter).

Plenary Council Discernment Papers

The six discernment papers have been released and are available to be read. The National Plenary Facilitation Team will soon release resources to assist parishes and communities to explore each of the papers. Here in the diocese, we will endeavour to look at one paper for a month. Read the discernment paper at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/PC2020-thematic-papers-2.pdf>. Visit the [Inclusive, Participatory & Synodal theme’s page at https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/inclusive/](https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/inclusive/).

Social Justice Statement 2020-2021

The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the mental health of many members of our parishes, schools and communities. Understanding mental health will help us to be aware of those who need our support. In the Social Justice Statement 2020-2021, *To Live Life to the Full: Mental health in Australia today*, the Bishops invite us all to reject stigmatisation, to work for the transformation of social determinants of mental ill-health, and to call for policies and service provision that meet the needs of the poorest and most marginalised members of our community. More information is available from the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or http://bit.ly/SocialJustice_2020

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Is 55:6-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

My thoughts are not your thoughts.

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near.
Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts.
Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,
to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 144:2-3. 8-9. 17-18. R. v.18

(R.) The Lord is near to all who call him.

1. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever.
the Lord is great, highly to be praised, his greatness cannot be measured. (R.)
2. 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. (R.)
3. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. (R.)

Second Reading: Phil 1:20-24. 27

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

For me to live is Christ.

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) See Acts 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Mt 20:1-16

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Why are you jealous because I am generous?

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

No Salvation outside the Church?

This is a story of the day labourers of Jesus' time. The 'early birds' contracted for the just wage of one denarius and did the hard work over the course of a long day. They were outraged when latecomers also received a denarius.

This little parable circulated in the Christian community of the first century because there was great antagonism between the Jews who became followers of Jesus and the non-Jews, the 'Gentiles'. Jewish Christians looked at their long history of hardship preparing for the coming of the Messiah. And, now, here were these Gentiles who had done nothing by comparison, and God appeared to be granting them whatever it took to enjoy the 'daily bread' of the Kingdom of God.

Jewish Christians had to be shocked out of *their* idea that God's grace could *not* be lavished on those outside the boundaries of the Chosen People.

We could pause to pray to be taken by happy surprise by those billions of people outside the Church who, by the grace of God, will share with us 'the Bread of Life', given for the salvation of *all* the world.

The scriptural quotations are taken from the Jerusalem Bible, published and copyright 1966, 1967 and 1968 by Darton Longman and dd Ltd and Doubleday & Co Inc, and used by permission of the publishers. The English translation of the Psalm Responses, the Alleluia and Gospel Verses, and the Lenten Gospel Acclamations, and the Titles, Summaries, and Conclusion of the Readings, from the Lectionary for Mass © 1997, 1981, 1968, Internationa

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

Hello Everyone,

As you would be aware, the Victorian government has announced some easing of the restrictions that have been in force to counter the spread of COVID-19.

In regional Victoria, including our Diocese of Ballarat, we will move to the Third Step of the government's staged reopening. This will apply from midnight tonight (September 16).

What does this mean as far as our churches and chapels and religious ceremonies are concerned?

Weddings will be able to have up to 10 people gathered (including the couple and two witnesses), plus the celebrant.

Funerals will be able to have up to 20 people gathered, plus those required to conduct the funeral.

Outdoor religious gatherings will be allowed for up to 10 people, plus a faith leader.

Churches and chapels may be open for private worship for households or social bubbles, plus a faith leader.

These provisions allow for some increase in numbers for weddings and funerals. Furthermore, it will now be possible to have an outdoor religious celebration for up to 10 people, plus the person leading the prayer. Parishes may be able to arrange some such outdoor celebrations.

Moreover, we will now be able to reopen our churches and chapels, at least for private worship. I encourage parish and school communities to open churches and chapels for some time each day so that people can spend a while in personal prayer in the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

It is still possible for parishes to live-stream Mass. However, this can only involve up to five people. The provisions do not allow us to gather in our churches to celebrate Mass as we would dearly wish to.

Together with the other bishops of Victoria, I have been making representations to government for an easing of the restrictions in relation to places of worship. I have proposed that places of worship should at least be treated in the same way as other places where people can gather socially. In the coming week, bishops and other religious leaders will have further meetings with government. I hope these meetings will bear fruit so that we will be able to gather again in our churches. We do need to safeguard the community's health. Yet we have shown that we can observe the necessary precautions for physical health at the same time as we celebrate the liturgy, which contributes so much to the spiritual and mental health of the community. I pray particularly that we will soon be able to share the Eucharist, source and summit of the Christian life.

Peace be with you.

God bless you all.

Bishop Paul