



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

Ouyen, Patchewollock, Tempy, Underbool, Walpeup

Parish Administrator: Fr Anthony Nagothu in Robinvale: (03) 5026 3068

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Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Sick: Susan O'Sullivan, Kate Walsh, Chris Burns, Joan Bathgate, Terri Scott, Mark Weir, Cate Poynton, Josette Sultana, Josephine Sciberras, Laura Burns, Denis Poynton and Fr Bernard Buckley.

May our healing God touch the lives of our sick bringing them comfort & peace.

~There are No Masses in the Parish yet.

Mass is streamed on YouTube.

~The church Is open for private prayer each weekday between 10 – 4pm except Thur 10 – 6

~ Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday between 2 – 6pm

~Bulletins can be collected from the Parish Centre which will be open from 10am – 4pm each Friday.

~Baskets are on the table for the 2 collections which enable you to leave your usual offerings.

~If you have any questions or concerns please call either: Faye 50 921 326 or Marie 0417 660 893.

Collections: Ouyen 4. 10. 2020

Planned Giving \$379.00

Presbytery \$124.00

Local On-line Mass:

**** St Joseph's Parish, Ouyen is now on**

YouTube! You can watch our Parish Mass from 5pm of a Saturday or any time after that, by going to: [St Joseph's Parish Ouyen YouTube](#)

~**St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Ballarat:** Mass livestreamed daily from the Cathedral at 10.00am can be viewed [here](#) or on [facebook](#). Otherwise the website is: (www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) if you receive this via email you can click on the "here" mentioned to take you to the link.

We would love to hear any comments you have regarding our YouTube Mass. It is still very much a work in progress and your thoughts and suggestions are very welcome! ☐

Would you like to be able to access our local Mass on-line or are you having difficulty getting Mass on-line? We can help. Please let us know

Good News!!! Our church is now open for

private prayer this means Adoration will begin again of a Thursday from 2-6pm. Masks are essential as is singing in; a list of important prayer needs is also on the table where you sign in.

Columban Calendars – It's time to order now

An order form will be in the parish office beside the bulletins until 23rd Oct in order for them to arrive at the beginning of Dec.

St Mary MacKillop Commemorative Rosary

beads have arrived for those who were/are interested. A pair will be hanging on our Lady's statue in the parish centre; cost is \$40.

The Journey to the Plenary Council 2020

continues. Copies of the discernment papers are available in the parish office beside the bulletins. As part of the ongoing journey for the Plenary Council, work has commenced on the preparation of the *instrumentum laboris*, or working document, for the Council. Fr Kevin Lenahan is part of the *instrumentum laboris* writing team

<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/continuing-the-journey-of-discernment/>

It's St Mary's 10th Anniversary and you're

invited! To mark the 10th anniversary of the canonisation of Mary MacKillop, Australia's first Saint, the Sisters of Saint Joseph invite you to celebrate the wonderful life and inspirational legacy of Saint Mary of the Cross. The Sisters have created commemorative prayers, videos and a global vigil in of honour Mary throughout September and October (see the link below)

<https://www.sosj.org.au/10th-anniversary>

St Vincent de Paul Society, "Assist a Student"

Program: The program assists very poor students in countries to our north to attend school who may otherwise, without this assistance, not be able to afford to attend. It is aimed at breaking the poverty cycle the student finds themselves in and it encapsulates the Vincentian message of "a hand up, not a hand out." A \$100 donation provides access to education. Any administrative costs are met by the Australian St Vincent de Paul Society. For more information go to

https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Our_Impact/International_Impact/Assist_a_student_today/

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH IS A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Parish Safety Officer: Mrs Marie Shaddock 0417 660 893

Dressing For the Feast: Scott Hahn reflects on the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lord's parable in today's Gospel is again a fairly straightforward outline of salvation history. God is the king (see [Matthew 5:35](#)), Jesus the bridegroom (see [Matthew 9:15](#)), the feast is the salvation and eternal life that Isaiah prophesies in today's First Reading. The Israelites are those first invited to the feast by God's servants, the prophets (see [Isaiah 7:25](#)). For refusing repeated invitations and even killing His prophets, Israel has been punished, its city conquered by foreign armies.

Now, Jesus makes clear, God is sending new servants, His apostles, to call not only Israelites, but all people—good and bad alike—to the feast of His kingdom. This an image of the Church, which Jesus elsewhere compares to a field sown with both wheat and weeds, and a fishing net that catches good fish and bad (see [Matthew 13:24–43, 47–50](#)).

We have all been called to this great feast of love in the Church, where, as Isaiah foretold, the veil that once separated the nations from the covenants of Israel has been destroyed, where the dividing wall of enmity has been torn down by the blood of Christ.

As we sing in today's Psalm, the Lord has led us to this feast, refreshing our souls in the waters of Baptism, spreading the table before us in the Eucharist. As Paul tells us in today's Epistle, in the glorious riches of Christ, we will find supplied whatever we need. And in the rich food of His body, and the choice wine of His blood, we have a foretaste of the eternal banquet in the heavenly Jerusalem, when God will destroy death forever.

But are we dressed for the feast, clothed in the garment of righteousness (see [Revelation 19:8](#))? Not all who have been called will be chosen for eternal life, Jesus warns. Let us be sure that we are living in a manner worthy of the invitation we've received (see [Ephesians 4:1](#)).

Carers Week in Australia: Carers Week in Australia will be celebrated on Sunday 11 to Saturday 17 October. In recognition of the many carers in our parishes, the Bishop Commission for Social Justice invite you to celebrate and acknowledge carers. Carers Australia define carers as people who provide unpaid care and support to family members and friends who have a disability, mental illness, chronic condition, terminal illness, an alcohol or other drug issue or who are frail aged. This includes the 272,000 young people up to the age of 25 who are carers.

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World Mission Sunday will be celebrated on October 18th:

It is a special day, called by Pope Francis, when we are called to pray and offer material support to the work of mission around the world. This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope and practical support to live a fulfilling life. You can support by placing your donation in the Appeal Envelopes; or Online at www.catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia or by Texting GIVE to 0488 854 436. Thank you for your prayerful support

