



# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

Ouyen, Patchewollock, Tempy, Underbool, Walpeup

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## Recent Deaths:

**Anniversaries:** Frank Healy

**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 11. 10. 2020

Planned Giving \$437.00

Presbytery \$68.00

## Local On-line Mass:

**\*\* St Joseph's Parish Ouyen is 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](http://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

This Friday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct, is the last week to put in your order so that calendars can 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.

## CWL Memberships are due again over the next

few weeks. The cost of a membership only is \$35; membership and Horizon magazine are \$65. Subs can be paid to either Margaret Collins or Cheryl Anderson.

## Aid to the Church in Need Christmas cards

have arrived. A pack of 12 cards is \$15 and proceeds go to help those Christians around the world who are in urgent need as well as: priests seminarians and religious in countries where there is poverty and persecution.

## Red Wednesday - On 25 November the

Pontifical Foundation *Aid to the Church in Need* is asking Catholics around the world to commemorate Red Wednesday and pray in solidarity with those who are persecuted and suffer unjustly for their faith. Wear something red and join us at the for the Rosary at 4pm.

## The Journey to the Plenary Council 2020

Copies of the discernment papers are available in the parish office beside the bulletins. A simplified or easier version of the papers will be out soon, and these too will be made available in print as soon as we get them. Please continue to pray for the progress of the Council; your prayers are needed! 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 Lenehan is part of the *instrumentum laboris* writing team

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

**ST JOSEPH'S PARISH IS A CHILD SAFE PARISH**

Parish Safety Officer: Mrs Marie Shaddock 0417 660 893

## October is the Month of the Rosary Love Commanded:

*Scott Hahn reflects on the thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Jesus came not to abolish the Old Testament law but to fulfil it. And in today's Gospel, He reveals that love of God and of neighbour—is the fulfilment of the whole of the law. Devout Israelites were to keep all 613 commands found in the Bible's first five books. Jesus says today that all these, and all the teachings of the prophets, can be summarised by two verses of this law. He seems to summarise the two stone tablets on which God was said to have engraved the Ten Commandments. The first tablet set out three laws concerning the love of God, such as the command not to take His name in vain; the second contained seven commands regarding love of neighbour, such as those against stealing and adultery. Love is the hinge that binds the two tablets of the law. For we can't love God, whom we can't see, if we don't love our neighbour, whom we can.

But this love we are called to, is far more than simple affection or warm sentiment. We must give ourselves totally to God—loving with our whole beings, with all our heart, soul, and mind. Our love for our neighbour must express itself in concrete actions, such as those set out in today's First Reading.

We love because He first loved us. As we sing in today's Psalm, He has been our deliverer, our strength when we could not possibly defend ourselves against the enemies of sin and death.

We love in thanksgiving for our salvation. And in this become imitators of Jesus, as Paul tells us in today's Epistle—laying down our lives daily in ways large and small, seen and unseen; our lives offered as a continual sacrifice of praise



## The Rosary converted a Satanist priest to a Catholic 'Blessed'

Blessed Bartolo Longo was born to a devout Catholic family in 1841. His formative years were a tumultuous time for Italy, and he was swept up in nationalistic fervour. Many of his college professors were actually ex-priests who took a dim view of the Catholic Church.

Bartolo started to dabble in the occult. He eventually embraced Satanism. He was consecrated a Satanic priest and promised his soul to a demon. To his family's dismay, he preached against the Catholic Faith and presided over blasphemous rituals.

His mental and physical state deteriorated until he couldn't deny that he needed help. He began to talk to a Catholic professor from his university, who referred him to a Dominican priest. The priest met with Bartolo for three weeks before he was able to offer absolution.

Bartolo became a third-order Dominican, but he was still plagued with guilt about his past life. He was especially traumatised by the experience of promising his soul to a demon and doubted that God would accept him after having done something so heinous. These thoughts nearly drove him to suicide. But then he remembered a homily he had heard on the power of the Rosary. "Falling to my knees, I exclaimed: 'If your words are true that he who propagates your Rosary will be saved, I shall reach salvation because I shall not leave this earth without propagating your Rosary,'" he said. Bartolo made a promise to serve the Church and work for the poor and the destitute. He spent the rest of his life promoting the Rosary and *surrendering his problems* through it even helping build the Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary in Pompeii. He wrote extensively on the Rosary, and his writings influenced Pope St. John Paul II's decision to add the Luminous Mysteries.



What have you done for your Faith today?