



# St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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Dear friends, In today's gospel we see that Jesus starts his public ministry. The miracles which he performs attract the people to his side, because he preaches with authority and performs miracles with the power of God, unlike the Scribes. This man in the gospel is possessed by an unclean spirit, he needs help and healing from the dominion of evil spirits. So Jesus has compassion for the man and heals him. At the same time of course he didn't want to reveal his identity fully but to be recognized merely as a miracle worker. Jesus wishes people to come to him because of their faith in the miracles he performs and love for him. At this time of our life journey, Jesus may also be telling us to be quiet. Enough of words, promises and resolutions. What Jesus demands from us now is our love, our commitment to our faith and our concrete actions. In His ministry Jesus didn't have any pointless arguments, no debates and discussions, but all he was doing was the will of God. What Jesus expects of us, are our caring actions towards the needy, our witness life and our actions of love and mercy. Let us take this call seriously and ask the Lord to give us the power of the Holy Spirit to fulfil our Christian vocation faithfully and to lead the people to God by our concrete actions of showing mercy and love for the poor and needy in our life. -Neville



### Weekend Mass Times (N/A)

**Saturday:** 6.30pm Cobden

**Sunday:** 9am 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. Simpson

9am 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. Lismore

9am 3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Sun. Timboon

9am 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. Derrinallum

(Lay led assembly will be held on the other weekends)

### Next Weekend Masses

**Sat:** Cobden 6.30 pm

**Sun:** Timboon on 9.00 am

Camperdown 11.00 am.

### Saints and Feasts:

Mon – St Brigid of Ireland

Tues– Presentation of the Baby Jesus

Wed – Ss Ansgar & Blaise

Thurs – St. Joan of Valois

Fri – St. Agatha

Sat – St. Paul Miki & Companions

### Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are ill: Fr Denis Dennehy, Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, John O'Brien, Brian Wain, Mary Hickey, Mary Crowe, Laney Burkett .

### Recent Death: Ian Russell

### Anniversaries:

We pray for those who has died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mick Burkett, Joseph Bradshaw, Bernard White, Damian Ryan, Amy Thomson, Richard Walsh, Joan Cromie, Alice Jacka, Kathleen Conroy, Neil Pope.

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.

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord. Time, Year – B, 31/01/2021

**Welcome and Congratulations:** We welcome into our St. Patrick's Parish community Noah James Lucas child of Louise Albrecht & Matthew Lucas, through the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

**We are seeking parishioners who are interested in joining the ministries for Sunday Masses. Sheets are available in the church foyers for you to complete and we would be happy to see you take part in our services. Thank you.**

**Last Weekend's Collection:** I would like to thank everyone for their assistance and support. Last weekend you generously gave to the parish: \$911.00 and Presbytery: \$564.80. God bless you and keep you all in His care.

**In Registering the Attendances at Church:**

This year also we are going to continue to register the attendances' names and contact numbers electronically. So please bring your mobile phone to the church and in the church foyer you will find the **QR scanning CODE FORMAT** with instructions how to use it. Please place your mobile phone in silence mode and arrive 5 minutes earlier than normal to help us to start the mass on time. Thank you.

**Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)**

The latest updates regarding COVIDSafe practices are available from the diocesan website "news" section [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

**Caritas Australia PC2021**

Project Compassion PC2021 materials normally would have been in parishes by now, however Caritas aims for all deliveries to be dispatched from Sydney in the last week of January and the first week of February, They should arrive in parishes before PC Sunday, February 14. If you wish to become familiar with the stories they are on the Caritas website at <https://lent.caritas.org.au/> Thank you for your understanding. Regards, Sue Searls.

**Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Virtual Learning Program**

Our partners, Dayton University offer low-cost online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parish and other ministries. Study subjects over 3 & 5 week cycles. Study Cycle 2 begins 21<sup>st</sup> February. Registrations for this cycle are now open for new and returning participants. For more information go to [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) or email [djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ph. 5337 7121.

**Vinnies No Interest Loan Scheme**

No Interest Loans (NILs) provide individuals and families on low incomes with access to safe, fair and affordable credit for those with a Health Care Card / Pension Card or earn less than \$45,000 a year after tax or \$60,000 for couples or people with dependants. Further information available at <https://www.vinniesnils.org.au>.

**Year of St Joseph**

Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde* (With a Father's Heart), commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St Joseph", running from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021. A number of resources are being developed by the ACBC to encourage and support the celebration of the Year of St Joseph. The resources are available from the ACBC website <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

**Word of God Sunday - February 7, 2021**

The Australian bishops have designated the first Sunday in February as "Word of God Sunday". Resources are available from <https://www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodssunday> and include homily notes, liturgical notes, prayers of the faithful, musical recommendations, reflections, bulletin notice and images.

**Oceania Webinar: Faithful Stewards of God's Grace - February 16, 2021**

Parish Pastoral Councils, Diocesan and Deanery Pastoral Councils, Pastoral and Parish Leadership teams are invited to explore best practices for lay pastoral ministry. Lay Pastoral Ministry is a very broad term embracing ministry offered by both employees and volunteers in a range of settings including parishes (eg. family ministry teams, sacramental preparation teams, music ministers, pastoral associates, youth ministers), in dioceses (eg. faith educators, evangelisation teams, support services), chaplaincies (eg. in ethnic communities, hospitals, prisons, schools, and universities), and in education (eg. principals, mission and youth coordinators and religious educators in Catholic schools and universities and special religious educators in state schools). All are welcome. This event will be hosted by the Pastoral Ministry Network (formerly known as NAPPA) and supported by the Mission Planners Network Oceania. Register for the webinar at <https://tinyurl.com/oceaniawebinarfeb16>. Media release and poster attached.

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

### **Note on Ash Wednesday 2021 – February 17, 2021**

Please find attached a note from the Congregation for Divine Worship about the celebration of Ash Wednesday this year. In view of the coronavirus pandemic, the Congregation has adjusted the directions for the distribution of the ashes.

### **Palms Australia seeks mission recruits**

For 60 years Palms Australia has been recruiting, preparing, sending and supporting Catholics from all around Australia to fill overseas professional placements in response to requests from international community partners. Rising to the challenges of COVID 19 we are actively recruiting Australian Catholics now to receive preparation and training to undertake overseas professional placements in late 2021 and early 2022. For more information go to <https://palms.org.au/assignments-abroad/current-opportunities/>

### **Webinar - Vaccines, Viruses and Vulnerabilities: Catholic health and care of the human person**

The ACU Faculty of Theology and Philosophy, in partnership with Catholic Health Australia (CHA), is running a webinar event that brings together international experts and thought leaders to discuss mental health, public health and the question of solidarity in the face of this pandemic. The first event in this series, entitled "Vaccines, Viruses and Vulnerabilities: Catholic health and care of the human person" is taking place on World Day of the Sick which is February 11. Registration is essential at <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2021/february/vaccines-viruses-and-vulnerabilities>

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **First Reading: [Dt 18:15-20](#)**

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

*I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.*

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."

**This is the word of the Lord.**

### **Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 94:1-2, 6-9](#). R. v.9**

**(R.) If today, you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.  
Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
2. Come in, let us kneel and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

### **Second Reading: [1 Cor 7:32-35](#)**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.*

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

## This is the word of the Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation** (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) Mt 4:16

Alleluia, alleluia! A people in darkness have seen a great light:  
a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death. Alleluia!

### **Gospel Reading:** Mk 1:21-28

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.*

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

## This is the gospel of the Lord.

## REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

The word 'diabolical' comes from a Greek word referring to something broken in two, shattered. Looking at persons and societies torn apart, it is obvious that the diabolical spirit is powerful. However, it harbours a fear that a more powerful Holy Spirit could reintegrate a personality, could make a community out of divided groups.

'Have you come to destroy us?' indicates that this fear was realised in the coming on to the scene of Jesus Christ. Jesus' answer was a resounding 'Yes', not in words but in action, healing a man torn apart by a diabolical spirit.

Jesus Christ invites and empowers us to join in his healing mission to overcome whatever it is which tears people apart, whether at the individual, community or global levels. We do so in the confidence of His Resurrection which overcame the diabolical tearing apart of His body and soul.

We could pause for a moment to commit ourselves to joining Jesus' mission, so putting the fear of God into the devil!

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31-January-2021 4th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	B Hammond	A Horan	N/A	J Blair
9 a.m. Derrinallum Assembly	A Coutts	A Coutts	N/A	A Coutts
11am: Camperdown	K Deppeler	J Saunders	N/A	G Lucas
Counting Team: M, J & P Conheady		Altar Camperdown: S Swayne G Lucas		
Church Cleaning: H & J Seuren		Altar Cobden: Joan Hammond		
Marian Statue: H & J Seuren		Altar Derrinallum: M Barry		

7-Feb-2021 5th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	M McKenzie	G Kelson	N/A	G Gleeson
9 a.m. Derrinallum AWC	G Keating	G Keating	A/N	D Halloran
11am: Camperdown	M Smart	S Grinter	N/A	T O'Leary
Counting Team: R & A Gardner		Altar Camperdown: M Russell (G) A Gardner		
Church Cleaning: R Henry		Altar Cobden: Gayle Kelson		
Marian Statue: E Boyd		Altar Derrinallum: M Grant		

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