

# ST MARY'S PARISH, ROBINVALE

Incorporating St Patrick's Manangatang

YEAR B SATURDAY 23RD & SUNDAY 24TH JANUARY 2021



Robinvale and Manangatang Catholic Communities are committed to ensure the safety of all children and vulnerable people in our care. Child Safety Officers: Arthur Cassidy (Robinvale) 0437 576 730 and Noreen Morris (Manangatang)

Please remember these people in our prayers

**Recent Death:**

Concetta Madio



**Anniversaries:**

Mary Natale; Palmerino Gallo; Evelina Gallo; Joseph Jury; Genevieve James; Joseph Cordoma; Joe Campagna; Mollie Nunan; Patricia Thompson; Sr Mary Ward; Marie Benbow;

**Sick:**

Sam Giampaolo; Therese Cummins; Rosa Santos; Kristin Sparto; Debbie Nolen; Basilio Alcodia; Jeremy Dickson; Carmela Garreffa; Sister Basil; Peter MacIntosh; Gai Thi Tran

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**Local News:**

- **There is an opportunity for a Lenten program in our parish. Please call the Parish Office for registration before 30th January 2021.**
- Welcome back to Seminarian, Cay, from his visit down south.
- **QR code is now available for parishioners to 'sign in' when attending Mass. Manual 'signing in' is still available.**
- Have you taken home a copy of the recent Our Diocesan Community publication yet? It has some very interesting reading included.
- **Australia Day Mass @ 10:30am Tuesday 26th January 2020**

## MANANGATANG MINISTRIES

	Lay Led Service Sunday 24th January
Readers	Thomas Sebi
Prayer of the Faithful	Marg Carroll
Offertory	Anne Arentz
Eucharist	

### Mass Times

	Saturday 23rd	Sunday 24th	Wednesday 27th	Saturday 30th	Sunday 31st	Wednesday 3rd
6:00pm Mass	Robinvale			Robinvale		Robinvale
9:00am Mass		Manangatang Lay Led	Robinvale		Manangatang	
11:00am Mass		Ouyen			Ouyen	

# REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we reflect on the first and most important responsibility of discipleship, namely, evangelisation, the goal of which is the proclamation of the reign of God. God seems to choose the most unlikely people to preach to others. It does not matter who brings the good news, but who receives it. Jonah the prophet was sent to outsiders, even enemies. The disciples were fishermen who spoke to the people of their own country. God's salvation is intended for all, and it seems to make little difference who brings this good news.

Today's readings call for repentance. The grace of God requires a new way of living, a life of faith and commitment. The gospel invites us into the age of fulfilment, a salvific reign of truth, compassion and kindness. It is a way of life that leads to justice.

There is an urgency in these readings. This world in its present form is passing away, and God's call demands a total response. Like the disciples, we must leave the familiarity of our former ways and follow the call that we have heard in the depths of our hearts. We are called first to enter the reign of God and then to spread it. As ambassadors of God, we bring the good news of salvation wherever we are and in whatever we do. Called by God, we now begin to live in a totally different way, guided by the values of the reign of God rather than those of the world that is passing away.

## Baptism

We welcome into our Parish family, **Jacob Eden Romeo**, son of **Pamela & Joseph Romeo**, whose Baptism will occur this weekend. His parents, along with his godparents, **Elyce & Michael Costantino** and parishioners, will support him in his faith journey.



### COVID SAFE PLAN:

**St Mary's Robinvale & St Patrick Manangatang**



- ◆ 1.5m social distancing at one time.
- ◆ Please wear mask.
- ◆ Record your details in the book.
- ◆ Sanitise your hands and sanitise your contact surface.
- ◆ Please avoid interactions in the indoor space before or after the service.
- ◆ If you are sick or unwell, do not attend, get tested & please contact Parish Office or Mary Knight 0438 627 920

## Australia Day Mass

Father Anthony will celebrate Mass Tuesday 26th January for Australia Day @ 10:30am.



## Australia Day

2021 CEREMONY - ROBINVALE

Caix Square  
Tuesday 26th January  
2021, 8:30am - 10:30am

A ceremony to celebrate Australia Day. Due to COVID restrictions only takeaway breakfast/food will be available.



### FINANCES

**Presbytery: \$399.00**

**Parish: \$176.00**



**On February 11th 2021**, we will celebrate the annual World Day of Prayer for the Sick. As you are aware, Pope St John Paul II initiated this special day of remembrance in 1992 and Popes Benedict and Francis have continued the tradition. The day has a dual focus on those who are sick and on those who care for them. The theme for the 29th World Day of the Sick 2021 is the following - *"You have but one teacher and you are all brothers" (Mt 23,8)*  
*A trust-based relationship to guide the care for the sick.*



A Rosary for Mrs. Concetta Madio will be held Sunday 6:30pm.

Her Funeral will be Monday, 25th January @ 10:30am - friends & parishioners are respectfully invited to attend.



### Email:

If you have an email address it would be appreciated if you could inform the Parish Office. It is most helpful in having your address for communication purposes. You can forward your email address to [robinvale@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:robinvale@ballarat.catholic.org.au)



### Return to School Information

- ~Friday 22nd January School Office & Uniform Shop Open 10am-4pm
- ~Monday 25th January School Office & Uniform Shop Open 10am-4pm
- ~Tuesday 26th January - Friday 29th January School Closed (Australia Day & Staff Professional Learning)
- ~**Monday 1st February First day of school for all students.**



**Please note that school start and dismissal times in 2021 will be as follows:**

#### **Morning**

- Yard supervision starts at 8.22am (no student should be at school before this time)
- Classrooms open at 8.32am
- Classes start at 8.42am

#### **Afternoon**

- Dismissal 3.12pm
- Buses will continue to run to their usual timetable

The main school gate will reopen to parents and visitors during the day from the start of 2021. Students will continue to enter and exit the school through the small Watkin Street gate or via Nicholls Street if travelling by bus.

## First Reading

Jon 3:1-5. 10

### A reading from the prophet Jonah

*The Ninevites renounced their evil ways.*

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

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

**Thanks be to God**

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-9. R. v.4

**Teach me your ways, O Lord.**

Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
for you are God my saviour.

**Teach me your ways, O Lord.**

Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown from of old.  
In your love remember me,  
because of your goodness, O Lord.

**Teach me your ways, O Lord.**

The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray,  
he guides the humble in the right path;  
he teaches his way to the poor.

**Teach me your ways, O Lord.**

## Second Reading

Cor 7:29-31

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

*The world as we know it is passing away.*

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

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

**Thanks be to God**

### Gospel Acclamation Mk 1:15

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The kingdom of God is near:  
believe the Good News!

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

Mk 1:14-20

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

*Repent, and believe the Good News.*

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**