



# St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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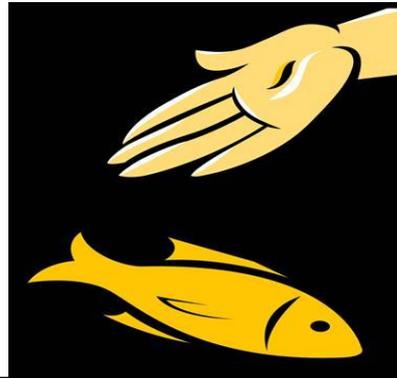
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Dear Friends;

Last weekend we saw that Jesus appeared to the disciples twice while they were in the upper room. But still the disciples remained skeptical even after the risen Lord Jesus appeared to them a few times and showed them his hands and his feet to prove his resurrection. This time, to be more precise he asks for something to eat. And also, Jesus opens their minds and hearts to understand what the scriptures say about his suffering, death and resurrection. He declares them as his witnesses who will call people to repent and accept God's forgiveness. At the Eucharistic celebration, as followers of Jesus, we gather around the Lord's Table. We share the meal where we clearly experience the presence of the risen Lord, who draws us together as community and draws us closer to God. The risen Jesus nourishes with the word of God and with his body and blood. We are fed and nourished, our eyes are opened and we begin to understand how we are called to invite people to repent and accept God's salvation. The Eucharist is our spiritual meal and also a foretaste for us of the ultimate Messianic banquet in heaven. Until then, we as followers of Christ, witness to the Lord's presence by proclaiming his Good News and sharing the Eucharistic meal. We are too the messengers of Christ to the world which is full of evil. So let us take our call seriously as we gather at our Eucharistic table and ask the Lord to strengthen us like the Apostles to continue his mission in our daily life. - Neville



### **Weekend Mass Times (N/A)**

**Saturday:** 6.30pm Cobden

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

9am 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Sun. Lismore

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

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

### **Next Weekend Masses**

**Sat: Cobden** 6.30 pm

**Sun: Lismore** 9.00 am

**Camperdown** 11.30 pm.

### **Next Weekend Readings: Yr:B**

Acts 4: 8 – 12; 1 Jn 3: 1 – 2,

Jn 10: 11 – 18.

### **Saints and Feasts:**

Mon- St Marian

Tues- St Anselm of Canterbury

Wed- Queen of the Society of Jesus

Thurs- Ss Adalbert & George

Fri- St Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Sat-St Robert of Syracuse

### **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, Mary Ryan and Bernd Menz.

### **Death & Anniversaries:**

We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Avon Sheen, Marie Fahey, Phyllis Cannard, John McKenzie, Florence Gaut, Robert Wilson, Harry Gatens, Kathleen Gleeson, Thelma Walsh, Mary Cameron.

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 (1<sup>st</sup> Collection). Thank you

## **A Prayer for the Year of SAINT JOSEPH**

*"Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life"*

**Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

**To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust.**

**Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage. Amen**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter, Year – B, 18/04/2021

**We welcome Fr Kevin Arundell** who will be celebrating masses in our parish this weekend.

**Parish Rosters for this current year** are available in the foyer. Please collect after Mass. If unavailable on your turn please arrange for someone else to take your place. Thank you.

**Cobden CWL's Final Meeting:** is on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April, after the Mass at 10.30 am and is followed by a shared lunch. All welcome. RSVP Helen Watts 5595 2210 or Kate Daffy 5595 1020. Thank you. We parishioners of St Patrick's Church Community appreciate their service over many years in the local community and wish to express our gratitude for them on their selfless service to the community. May the Lord continue to bless them and keep them in His care over the coming years.

**Project Compassion 2021:** This year Project Compassion collection was \$1378.90. Thank you very much for your ongoing support in promoting Caritas Australia's annual appeal. **The Good Friday – (The Holy Land Collection)** collection was \$178.35. Once again thank you for your generosity. God bless you.

**In Registering the Attendances at Church:**

This year also we are going to continue to register the attendees' 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.

**Lay Led Assembly Resources**

Sunday Assembly of Word and Communion resources for the Easter Triduum and Easter Season 2021 have been emailed/mailed to contacts. Resource material has also been loaded onto the diocesan website members' area.

**Last Weekend's Collection:** I would like to thank everyone for their assistance and support. Last weekend you generously gave to the parish: \$1490.00 and Presbytery: \$669.15. God bless you and keep you all safe in His care.

**Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)**

The Victorian government has announced further easing of restrictions from Friday, March 26. For information on religious gatherings go to <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/religion-and-ceremony>

**Our Diocesan Community – Issue 1 2021**

The first edition of ODC for 2021 is available for collection from the diocesan offices in Ballarat. Please encourage parishioners to take copies to the homebound, nursing homes, hospitals, etc., to spread the good news of the diocese. Copies of ODC for Ballarat parishes and schools will be delivered from next Monday.

**Good Shepherd Sunday: Word Day of Vocations - April 25 (Fourth Sunday of Easter)**

- ***Next Sunday is the World Day of Vocations:*** Pope Francis tells us: *"There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him. Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood."*
- ***Pope Francis – Message for 2021 World Day of Vocations. Saint Joseph:*** "The Dream of Vocation 'God looks on the heart (cf. 1 Sam 16:7), and in Saint Joseph he recognized the heart of a father, able to give and generate life in the midst of daily routines. Vocations have this same goal: To beget and renew lives every day. The Lord desires to shape the hearts of fathers and mothers: Hearts that are open, capable of great initiatives, generous in self-giving, compassionate in comforting anxieties and steadfast in strengthening hopes. The priesthood and the consecrated life greatly need these qualities nowadays, in times marked by fragility but also by the sufferings due to the pandemic, which has spawned uncertainties and fears about the future and the very meaning of life. Saint Joseph comes to meet us in his gentle way, as one of 'the saints next door.' At the same time, his strong witness can guide us on the journey.'"
- ***A prayer request:*** We remember to pray for all our young people in our Diocese and their future. They are the present, future and hope of the Church. God has a plan and hope for all of them to live out their vocational call whatever that may be - marriage, the single life and also amongst them are some who would make a good priest or religious. Holy Hours with prayer before the Blessed Sacrament are good opportunities for the parish to gather in silence to listen, discern and pray for the future of our young people. Let us support them and those entrusted to their formation especially parents, educators and role models, with our prayers.

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

**Enquiry Day for prospective Seminarians at Corpus Christi College - May 22, 2021:** An Enquiry Day for any young man who is interested to know more about a Diocesan Priestly vocation will be held at Corpus Christi College Carlton for all dioceses in the province. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please email Fr Edward Moloney [Edward.moloney@cam.org.au](mailto:Edward.moloney@cam.org.au) or Fr James Kerr [james.kerr@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:james.kerr@ballarat.catholic.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 have been 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>. Diocesan prayer cards will be distributed to parishes and schools in the coming weeks.

**Monthly Reflections:** Each month during the year of St Joseph, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference will publish a reflection on the various aspects of St Joseph's life and character. Robert Falzon reflects on how St Joseph may have responded to his astonishing call to be the foster-father of Jesus and spouse of Mary. What does it mean for fathers and husbands in today's world? <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

- **Daily Prayers to St Joseph:** The ACBC have provided daily prayers and a shorter Litany to St Joseph available from <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**First Reading:** Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*You have killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.*

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

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

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7

**(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.**

1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)
2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)
3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)
4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

**Second Reading:** 1 Jn 2:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St John

*Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.*

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter, Year – B, 18/04/2021**

## This is the word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) See Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:  
make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

### Gospel: Lk 24:35-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.*

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

## REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

When Jesus appeared to them, the disciples thought they were seeing a ghost, a sort of projection of a human image on the screen of the world but with no human depth and vitality. In fact, ghosts seem to drain life and warmth from those they encounter. The disciples became convinced that they were in the presence of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ when he assumed a characteristic way of acting – sharing a companionable meal (of fish).

His bodily presence of *that* sort is now withdrawn from us. But we are now encountered by him in the Mass which has many dimensions, one of which is that of a sacred meal. When we share in the sacramental signs of his Real Presence in the Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink of Holy Communion, he brings us the life and warmth of the Risen Son. In fact, he shares his very life with us, and because his life is gloriously fully human, we become less ghost-like as he heals those parts of our personality which drain goodness and vitality from the world. We could take a moment to pray to take greater opportunities to share in the Real Presence of Our Risen Lord under the appearance of bread and wine. This will move us from the illusion of being alive to that vitality which is nourished by his glorified humanity.

18-April-2021 3rd Sunday Easter	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	G Kelson	N/A	J Dwyer
9 a.m. Lismore Assembly	A Mahony	S Bialek		D Halloran
11am: Camperdown	C McCarthy	M Macaulay	N/A	R Henry
Counting Team: P & J Dwyer	Altar Camperdown: S Swayne G Lucas			
Church Cleaning: M Sinnott	Altar Cobden: Ann Scott			
Marian Statue: E Boyd	Altar Derrinallum: K Bell			

25-April-2021 4th Sunday Easter	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	M McKenzie	N/A	J Blair
9 a.m. Derrinallum	S McLeod	A Bell		S McLeod
11am: Camperdown	A O'Flynn	J Saunders	N/A	H Hickey
Counting Team: G & W Gleeson	Altar Camperdown: M Russell (G) A Gardner			
Church Cleaning: M & B Brown	Altar Cobden: Ann Scott			
Marian Statue: T & T O'Leary	Altar Derrinallum: S McLeod			

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