

Parish of Timboon

St Joseph's Timboon & St Andrew's Simpson

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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH.



We will take time to be quiet and listen for God's voice. We will face our challenges honestly and work through them. We will name our conflicts and seek to resolve them. We will realise our grudges and let them go. We will give thanks for God's gifts and keep on giving thanks. We will identify the injustices around us and commit to bringing change. We will rejoice in our Christian tradition and proclaim its relevance for today. You go from here as those who seek peace, and you will find peace. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Covid Update

No church services .

Planned Giving

Thanks to those people who continue to contribute to our planned giving program. Quarterly statements have been emailed to some people and written statements for others are in the back of the churches for you to take home and check. If there is a discrepancy please contact the office by phone or email to have it corrected.

If you would like to make your contribution either as a direct debt or an EFT please use the following ; **BSB: 083-928 A/C No 51-606-7599** and please include your name and a planned giving number if possible.

Ministries

Thanks to all the people who participate actively in our assemblies and those who help set up the church prior. **Before the next roster is finalized we would like to update this list. Is there anyone else who would like to add their name to welcome people or to read at Mass or Assemblies, operate the slides or help with the Bulletin?** Or you might like to have the statue of Mary in your home. If so please call or email the parish office as soon as possible. We will help you in whatever ministry you chose until you feel confident and comfortable. We would like some feedback please, on what part of the bulletin you value the most.

Plenary Council

Our Aboriginal culture has taught us to be still and to wait... We wait for the rain to fill our rivers and water the thirsty earth... We wait on God, too. We don't worry. We know that in time and in the spirit of dadirri (that deep listening and quiet stillness) his way will be clear. (Miriam-Rose Ungunmerr, "Dadirri: Inner Deep Listening and Quiet Still Awareness", Miriam-Roes Foundation

Our Sick: Bailey Delaney, Pat Thornton, Bernadette Moloney, Dennis Dodd

Anniversaries In July: Tom Dundon, Teresa Heyden, Veronica Keegan, Michael and Emily Parsons, Edward O'Donnell, Tom Delaney, Perc Dwyer, Alice Craven, Mary McDowell, Jayne McMeel, Gaye Arnold, Louis Reinen, Peter Reinen, Bridgie Allan, Ann Dodd.



Finance Committee

The next finance committee meeting is Thursday July 22nd at 10am. in the presbytery. If any parishioner has any comment in regard to the future of our parish and would like it discussed at this meeting, please see one of the committee members.

Communion To The Sick

If you are sick and would like to receive communion at home please call parish secretary on 0439 145 805 and arrange a time.

Wimmera-Mallee Parish

Bishop Paul has decreed the establishment of the new Saint Paul VI Parish, Wimmera-Mallee. The new parish includes the area of the former parishes of Hopetoun, Horsham, Nhill and Warracknabeal. Monsignor Glynn Murphy and Fr Jim McKay currently serve in these parishes and will continue their service in the new parish.

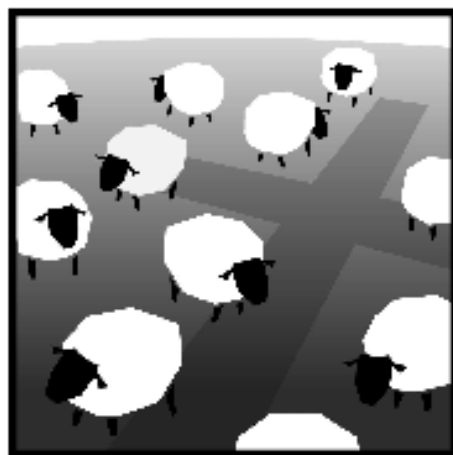
Closer to us the bishop tabled the submission at the Council of Priests meeting re the present parishes of Koroit, Port Fairy, Warrnambool West and Warrnambool becoming one new parish with a name to be decided. Positive discussion is happening and they are now transitioning to becoming one Parish. Some reasons for the amalgamation of parishes throughout the Diocese include the sustainability of the smaller parishes, the benefits of economies of scale and the difficulty of attracting volunteers plus the drop in number of parishioners and clergy

Timboon	July 18th Closed due to lockdown	July 25th 9:00 a.m. Assembly of Word and Communion	August 1st Closed
Welcome		K Currell	
Leaders		C Bullen P Nicholson	
Statue		T & E O'Connor	
Reader		T O'Connor	
POF		C Martin	
E.M.H.C.		J McInerney	
Bulletin	A McMeel & C Marr	A McMeel C Marr	G Swierczek
Slides		A Vogels	
Simpson	Closed		Mass 9:00 a.m.

The Living Word

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

18 July 2021



Gospel Acclamation Jn 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

*My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.*

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 6:30-34

They were as sheep without a shepherd.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

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Reflection by Greg Sunter

Fifty years ago the word 'stress' was only ever applied to materials like steel and the wings of planes. But since then, along with 'pressure', it has first crept into our language and more lately become an everyday term. Everyone experiences stress now. You can even hear Grade One students talk about the stress they're under at school! Perhaps it's the ever-growing pace of life or an innate competitiveness but pressure and stress have become part of daily life for most people in the so-called civilised world. Although he may never have used the words 'stress' or 'pressure', Jesus knew all about the demands of ministry with other people. When the disciples returned from their first efforts away from Jesus he knew that they needed some time out to debrief, to pray and to re-energise themselves. He ordered them all into a boat and they headed for a lonely place where they could be by themselves and rejuvenate. Jesus recognised the importance of taking time out. If you are engaged in a vocation or ministry that sees you meeting the needs of others, you need some time out to reflect on your experiences; time to hold those people up to God in prayer; time to make sense of your work and the interactions you've shared; time to simply recharge your batteries so that you can once again give fully of yourself.

Unfortunately, when Jesus arranged for himself and the disciples to have some time out, the crowd anticipated where they were going and actually beat them there! When the disciples arrived at their lonely spot, they were once again overwhelmed by the crowd. However, Jesus recognised the demands of the crowd as being more urgent than the demands of the disciples and himself. He took pity on them - he was moved by compassion - and responded to their need.

First Reading Jer 23:1-6

The remnant of the flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered - it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds - it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost - it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming - it is the Lord who speaks - when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22. R. v.2

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)

2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of
darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your
staff,
with these you give me comfort. (R.)
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. (R.)
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall
follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. (R.)

Second Reading Eph 2:13-18

Christ, our peace, has made us one.

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.