



Parish of Timboon

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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH.



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 Mc.Dowell, Jayne McMeel, Gaye Arnold, Louis Reinen, Peter Reinen, Bridgie Allan, Ann Dodd.



Covid Update

Please remember to wear a mask, and sign in using the QR Code when you are entering the churches for Mass or for Assembly of Word and communion .

Planned Giving

Thanks to those people who continue to contribute to our planned giving program. Quarterly statements have been emailed to those people who are comfortable with that style of report and the written statements for other people 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.

Finance Committee

The proposed date for the next finance committee meeting is Thursday July 22nd at 10am. in the presbytery. If any parishioner has any item in regard to the future of our parish and would like it discussed at thie 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.

“Heal Country”— Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday July 4th.

This year the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council have adopted the NAIDOC theme for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday – In Laudato Si', Pope Francis has called us to continue **to seek greater protections for our lands, our waters, our sacred sites and our cultural heritage from exploitation, desecration, and destruction.**

Today's Gospel is very fitting because Mark tells us of Jesus returning to his 'native place' – Nazareth – to a non-accepting, hostile reaction. Jesus had been welcomed and revered in other places, why is it that he is mocked and disregarded in his own home? “Is he not the carpenter?” the crowd called because they saw him as “without honour” and were unable to believe in him. He did not fit into their ideological view and thus did not deserve respect in their eyes.

In Australia, our own First Nations people have suffered a similar reception to Jesus in Nazareth. Their knowledge and complex cultural systems, created and honed over millennia, are often dismissed as primitive and irrelevant to our fast-paced world of today. This could not be further from the truth, particularly as we become more aware of their continued care, love, and respect for 'country', grounded in a relationship with the creator that formed independently of Western influence.

2021 marks the 250th Anniversary of the arrival of Christianity in Australia. Yet the Spirit of God was poured out onto the original inhabitants of this great Southern Land thousands of years prior. God's Spirit could be heard through the singing of the birds, the cascade of the waterfall, the rustle of the wind and, most importantly, in silence.

*Father of all, you gave us the Dreaming.
You have spoken to us through our beliefs.*

You then made your love clear to us in the person of Jesus.

We thank you for your care. You own us.

You are our hope. Make us strong as we face the problems of change.

We ask you to help the people of Australia to listen to us and respect our culture.

Make the knowledge of you grow strong in all people,

so that you can be at home in us and we can make a home for everyone in our land. Amen.

	July 4th	July 11th 9am Assembly of W & C	July 18th 9am Mass
Timboon			
Welcome		M Van Nieuwkerk	P Haugh
Leaders		C Martin & K Currell	
Statue		M Turner	B Moloney
Reader		E O'Connor	T O'Connor
POF		R Hoffmann	C Marr
E.M.H.C.		L McInerney	
Bulletin	A McMeel & C Marr	A McMeel & C Marr	A McMeel & C Marr
Slides	A Vogels	A Vogels	A Vogels
Simpson	July 4th Mass 9am	July 11th Ass of W & C	Closed



Gospel Mk 6:1-6

A prophet is despised only in his own country.

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

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Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

It is not easy to recognise a true prophet. Frequently those with prophetic insight are treated without honour. The people to whom Ezekiel was sent were hard of face, obstinate of heart, a rebellious house. The Galileans who heard Jesus' words were no better. They questioned his authenticity because they thought he was no better than they were and, therefore, he had no right to act superior. We so often resent people who can do what we cannot. This resentment can be magnified when the person is someone with whom we have grown up, a member of the family or of the community.

True believers recognise and admit their human frailty. They also know that genuine weakness does not impede the saving action of God. In fact, God seems to prefer to act where pride and self-satisfaction do not prevail, for such attitudes are obstacles to personal transformation. However, when we open ourselves in humility and honest piety, the power of God can flood our minds and our hearts and shine forth from us to all around. When this happens, there will be no doubt in any mind as to the origin of this wondrous reality. It will be very clear that though it comes through us, it comes from God. The receptivity of Paul in this matter is in sharp contrast to the rebellion of the people at the time of Ezekiel and the resistance of those who thought that they knew Jesus so well.

The Living Word

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

4 July 2021

First Reading Ez 2:2-5

The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you up to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 122. R. v.2

(R.) Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

1. To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens: my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords. *(R.)*
2. Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of his mistress, so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he shows us his mercy. *(R.)*
3. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. We are filled with contempt. Indeed all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the proud man's disdain. *(R.)*

Second Reading 2 Cor 12:7-10

I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

Gospel Acclamation See Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!