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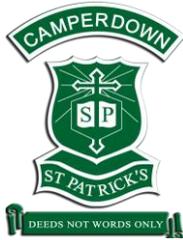
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Dear Friends; In today's gospel we see that Mary proclaims her faith and the hope of the salvation that is going to happen through her Son, Jesus. Here the song of Mary reveals the unfolding of God's whole of salvation. It is a prayer of thanksgiving to God for his saving intervention in history. As such, it also contains the major theme of the Old Testament. It talks about the lowly and the poor who are the recipients of God's saving acts. Salvation is realized through the suffering servant, Jesus. God walks with his people. He watches over them. He is actively present in their daily activities. God is truly with them and for them.

In the plan of salvation Mary played a vital role of mediation. Through her selfless sacrifice or her total surrender to God allowed Him to begin his plan of salvation on earth. She was the bond that connected humanity back to God. Through her obedience we were able to receive the salvation which was once lost by the rebelliousness of our first parents. So this feast is reminding us of the sacrifice that Mary made and thereby allowed our mothers to consent and collaborate with God's plan of creation. So while remembering and honouring Mary's sacrifice and her part in the plan of salvation on this feast day, we also remember all of our mothers who are making their sacrifice in a small way in their day-to-day lives to nurture and cherish the creation of God. May they all be guided and strengthened by the intercession of our Blessed mother Mary. In our celebration let us pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit so that we may be able to follow in the footsteps Mary our mother in our life and to be obedient to the will of God by our words and deeds. - Neville



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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 6.30pm Cobden

Sunday: 9am 1st Sun. Simpson

9am 2nd/4th Sun. Lismore

9am 3rd/5th 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 11.00 am.

Next Weekend Readings: Yr:B

Apoc 11: 19, 12:1 – 6, 10; 1Cor

15 20 – 26; Lk 1 : 39 – 56.

Saints and Feasts:

- Mon- Ss Roch & Stephen of Hungary
- Tues- St Donatus
- Wed- Ss Helen & Alberto Hurtado
- Thur- St John Eudes
- Fri- St Bernard of Clairvaux
- Sat- St Pius X, Pope

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are ill:
Fr Denis Dennehy, Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McLaren, John O'Brien, Brian Wain, Mary Hickey, Mary Ryan, Bernd Menz, Peter Saunders and Teresa Gittany.

Recent Death: Margaret Russell
Rupert Gstrein

Anniversaries: We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Annie Wilson, Norah Place, Mary Egan, Charles Jehu and John Baker

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 (1st 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

20th Sunday in Ord/Time, Year B. 15/08/2021

First Holy Communion: Our celebration of First Holy Communion will be held this weekend, Cobden on Saturday at 6.30 pm and Camperdown on Sunday at 11.00 am. We would like to congratulate these children who are making their First Holy Communion. We would also like to express our gratitude to our school staff and their parents for assisting and motivating their children to grow in their faith journey. Please keep these children in your prayers as they continue their spiritual journey.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

COVID restrictions have been eased in Victoria as of 11.59pm on Tuesday, July 27, 2021. More information is available on the government website <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/religion-and-ceremony-regional-victoria>. Updates are also be available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/coronavirus-the-churchs-information-and-advice-2/>.

This Message came on Monday (09/08) from Bishop's Office:

Hello Everyone,

As you may have seen, the Victorian Government has announced **an easing of COVID restrictions for Regional Victoria from 11.59 pm tonight (August 9).**

Religious gatherings and ceremonies are permitted for up to **100 people indoors** and up to **300 people outdoors** (plus those required to conduct religious ceremonies).

In general, a **density quotient** of 1 person per 4 square metres applies. However, a venue smaller than 100 square metres can have up to 25 people per venue before the density quotient applies. In other words, even very small churches are permitted to have up to 25 people for a religious gathering. For a gathering of more than 25 people, the number would be calculated at 1 person per 4 square metres. **COVID Check-in Marshals** must ensure attendees check-in.

Funerals (indoor and outdoor) are permitted with up to **50 people** attending, plus those necessary to conduct the funeral. Children under 12 months old are not counted towards this cap. **COVID check-in Marshals** must ensure attendees check-in.

Weddings (indoor and outdoor) are permitted with up to **50 people** attending, plus those necessary to conduct the wedding. **COVID Check-in Marshals** must ensure attendees check-in.

Masks must be worn indoors and outdoors except if at home or if an exception applies.

I rejoice once more that we will be able to gather for Mass and other celebrations. I renew my thanks to those people in each parish who have been helping us to come together when permitted, while attending to the COVID-safe directives. I thank you all for your patience as we make the adjustments needed so that we can pray as a community while keeping everyone safe.

God bless you all. **Bishop Paul**

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.

Step 1. Use your phone's camera to scan the code.

Step 2. Enter your first name and phone number.

Step 3. Look for the tick "You're now checked-in" 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.

National Day of Prayer – The Church Together: Sunday, August 22, 2021

The team at the National Day of Prayer & Fasting, in consultation with many church leaders and prayer networks, including Bishop Philip Huggins and the National Council of Churches, is calling Australia to unite in prayer in the light of the current COVID-19 crisis. The theme is found in this beautiful liturgical prayer: "Lord have mercy — Jesus have mercy". We encourage you to pray in your own church and in your own way at this time. To facilitate a national prayer focus, the team at the National Day of Prayer & Fasting are providing the following prayer resources and opportunities:

- Every day from Monday 16 – Sunday, August 22 a Daily Devotion will be sent out to those who register. Each Daily Devotion will include a prayer from a different Church leader.
- Every night from 8.00pm AEST, Monday 16 – Sunday, August 22 a nightly Prayer Call will take place with input from a different church leader each night.
- On Sunday, August 22 from 9.00am – 9.00pm the National Day of Prayer & Fasting team will host a Zoom Prayer call featuring Church leaders and Indigenous Christian Leaders. Come for a short while or come for a long while. Let us join in prayer for our nation.

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

- Register at <http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org.au/LordHaveMercy/>

Social Justice Sunday – August 29, 2021

The Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2021-22: *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*, affirms that “we human beings need a change of heart, mind, and behaviour”. It draws from Scripture, from the theological tradition, from Catholic Social Teaching and from the wisdom of the world, including the insights of the First Nations. Liturgy notes and other resources are available from the ACBC Office for Social Justice website <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2021/06/24/social-justice-statement-2021-22/>. The Social Justice Statement will be available for download on August 5, 2021.

Year of St Joseph Monthly Reflection

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. Lara Kirk, Marriage, Family and Relationships Co-ordinator for the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn, reflects on “The Holy Family”

<https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

National Day of Prayer – The Church Together: Sunday, August 22, 2021

Australia's Churches are invited to pray on Sunday, August 22 for our local, national and global communities experiencing great need and distress caused by COVID-19. Resources are available from <http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org.au/LordHaveMercy/>. A bulletin notice is below.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: (Isaiah 35:1-2, 5-6, 10) *God will come and save you.*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

Thirsty deserts will be glad, and barren lands will rejoice and blossom like flowers.

They will bloom everywhere and sing joyful songs. They will be as majestic as Mount Lebanon and as glorious as Mount Carmel or the plain of Sharon. Everyone will see the glory and the majesty of the Lord our God. The blind will see, and the deaf will hear. The disabled will leap about like deer, and tongues once silent will shout. The people the Lord has rescued will come back singing, as they enter Zion.

Happiness will be a crown they will always wear. They will rejoice and be glad, because all sorrows and worries will be gone.

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 113:1-8

The response is ***Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.***

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.

Shout praises to the Lord! Everyone who serves him, come and praise his name. Let the name of the Lord be praised now and forever. (Res).

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.

From dawn until sunset the name of the Lord deserves to be praised. The Lord is far above all of the nations; he is more glorious than the heavens. (Res).

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.

No one can compare with the Lord our God. His throne is high above, and he looks down to see the heavens and the earth. (Res).

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.

God lifts the poor and needy from dust and ashes and he lets them take part in ruling his people. (Res)

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading: Corinthians 15:20-24. *Christ will hand over the kingdom to God the Father.*

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised to life! And he makes us certain that others will also be raised to life. Just as we will die because of Adam, we will be raised to life because of Christ.

Adam brought death to all of us, and Christ will bring life to all of us.

But we must each wait our turn. Christ was the first to be raised to life, and his people will be raised to life when he returns. Then after Christ has destroyed all powers and forces, the end will come.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) Luke 1:28

Alleluia, alleluia. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women. Alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 1:39-56 The Almighty has done great things for me; the Lord has lifted up the lowly.

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

Mary hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea. She went into Zechariah's home, where she greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, her baby moved within her. The Holy Spirit came upon Elizabeth. Then in a loud voice she said to Mary: "God has blessed you more than any other woman! He has also blessed the child you will have. Why should the mother of my Lord come to me? As soon as I heard your greeting, my baby became happy and moved within me. The Lord has blessed you because you believed that he will keep his promise."

Mary said: "With all my heart I praise the Lord, and I am glad because of God my Saviour. He cares for me, his humble servant. From now on, all people will say God has blessed me. God All-Powerful has done great things for me, and his name is holy.

"He always shows mercy to everyone who worships him. The Lord has used his powerful arm to scatter those who are proud. He drags strong rulers from their thrones and puts humble people in places of power. He gives the hungry good things to eat, and he sends the rich away with nothing in their hands.

He helps his servant Israel and is always merciful to his people. He made this promise to our ancestors, to Abraham and his family forever!"

Mary stayed with Elizabeth for about three months. Then she went back home.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

A mother carries her child in her womb, giving that child a share in her own life. What if a child were able to share its life with its mother? This is what we believe happened between our Risen Lord and his mother, Mary.

It is our faith that our Lord nourishes Mary with His Resurrection life, meaning that her bodysoul, her total humanity, is suffused with His Divine glory. She grace-fully made the transition from earthly to heavenly existence without the wrenching apart of body and soul which we may expect. This is what we mean by 'The Assumption'. This has been believed and celebrated since the early centuries of the church. Why was it only proclaimed by Pope Pius XII in 1950? I think because in the first half of the 20th century tens of millions were killed in wars, death camps and in the Russian and China Communist dictatorships.

The Holy Spirit needed to remind the world that human beings are body souls made for transfiguration, not disfiguration by starvation, torture, massacre and disposal like animal carcasses. We could pause for a moment to pray that we may share in the gift of transfigured bodies at the end of history.

15-August-2021 The Assumption	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	B Hammond	P Dwyer	N/A	
9 a.m. Lismore Assembly	S McLeod	A Bell		L Johnstone
11am: Camperdown	St Pat's School	St Pat's School	St Pat's School	St. Pat's School
Counting Team: A & N Powling	Altar Camperdown: M Russell (G) A Gardner			
Church Cleaning: P Burke	Altar Cobden: Marg Walsh			
Marian Statue: E Boyd	Altar Derrinallum: K Bell			

22-August-2021 21st Sunday OT	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	M McKenzie	K Daffy	N/A	J Blair
9 a.m. Lismore	S Bialek	G Keating		D Halloran
11am: Camperdown	M Macaulay	M Saunders	N/A	T O'Leary
Counting Team: A & N Powling	Altar Camperdown:			
Church Cleaning: M Sinnott	Altar Cobden: Marg Walsh			
Marian Statue: M Spokes	Altar Derrinallum: M Grant			

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