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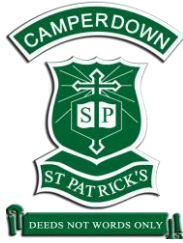
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Dear friends,

Many people in Israel recognized Jesus as a mighty man of God, even comparing him with the greatest of the prophets of their time. When Jesus asked the disciples, who he was? Peter, professed that Jesus was truly the "Christ of God" - "the Son of the living God". Jesus replied to him: No mortal being could have revealed this to Peter, but only God. That means, through the "eyes of faith" Peter discovered who Jesus truly was. Peter recognized that Jesus was much more than a great teacher, prophet, and miracle worker. Peter was the first apostle to publicly declare that Jesus was the Anointed One, consecrated by the Father and sent into the world to redeem human beings as the expected Messiah. Jesus commanded his disciples to be silent about his identity as the anointed Son of God and Messiah. Because Jesus wanted his disciples and people to discover his identity through their eyes of faith like Peter. Jesus knew that they did not yet fully understand his mission and how he would accomplish it.

This was a real challenge to Jesus. So he explained to his disciples that it was necessary for the Messiah to suffer and die in order that God's work of salvation might be accomplished. He also explained to them how different God's thoughts and ways from our thoughts and ways are. It was through humiliation, suffering, and death on the cross that Jesus broke the powers of evil and won for us eternal life. If we want to share in the victory of Jesus, then we must also take up our cross and follow where he leads us. What is the "cross" that we must take up each day? It is simply to know the will of God and act accordingly in our life. To know the will of God, we need the power of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit gives each of us the gifts and strength we need to live as sons and daughters of God. The Holy Spirit gives us faith to know Jesus personally as our Redeemer, and to give the power and the courage to witness to others the joy and freedom of the Gospel in our day-to-day life. -Neville



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: Timboon 9.00 am

Camperdown 11.00 am.

Next Weekend Readings: Yr:B

Is 50: 5 – 9, James 2: 14 – 18;

Mk 8: 27 - 35,

Saints and Feasts:

- Mon- St John Chrysostom
- Tues- The Exaltation of the Cross
- Wed- Our Lady of Sorrows
- Thur- Ss Cornelius & Cyprian
- Fri- St Robert Bellarmine
- Sat- St John Macias

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 & Anniversaries:

We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Douglas Till, Edith Mathews, Claire Lafferty, Thomas O'Sullivan, Graham Larkins, Margaret Daffy.

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

24th Sunday in Ord/Time, Year B. 12/09/2021

Welcome and Congratulations: We welcome into our St. Patrick's Parish Community Aggie Lee, daughter of Jack and Anastatia Guegan-Brown, through the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

COVID restrictions have changed in regional Victoria as of 11.59pm on Thursday, September 9, 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/>.

Mass gatherings from this weekend onwards, is permitted for up to 20 people. Those who can view our celebration on You Tube (online) please do so, that will allow others who have no access to internet may come to the church, in an alternative way to attend our celebration on Sunday 11.00 am at Camperdown. For attendance please ring Rose Henry: 0407 875 886. Thank you.

Only Sunday Mass at Camperdown can be viewed on YouTube at 11.00 am.

Please Search: St. Patrick Church Camperdown on YouTube.

Or enter the link below into your web browser:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UClc1zEq4cD-J1ayzRTSbTcw>

As an alternative you can also visit: <https://www.youtube.com>, enter **St Patricks Camperdown channel** and it will take you to our page.

This Announcement Came from the Bishop of Ballarat on the 8th Wednesday, September 2021.

Hello Everyone,

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

This easing of restrictions will apply throughout our Diocese of Ballarat.

Religious gatherings and ceremonies will be permitted for up to **20 people** per venue (plus those required to conduct the ceremony).

Funerals (indoor and outdoor) will be permitted with up to **20 people** attending, plus those necessary to conduct the funeral. Children under 12 months old are not counted towards this cap.

Weddings (indoor and outdoor) will be permitted with up to **10 people** attending, plus those necessary to conduct the wedding. Children under 12 months old are not counted towards this cap.

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

I thank everyone who has helped to contain the pandemic in our region so that we can begin to gather again in person for Mass and other celebrations. While the number who can gather is still small, I pray that this might be the first step towards further easing of limits so that soon we will be able to come together in greater numbers. Thank you for supporting one another through these trying times.

I write with the sad news of the death of Sr Anne McMillan.

"This is to inform you that our sister Anne McMillan died peacefully at St John of God Hospital this morning, 8th September. Anne has been unwell for several months.

In her early ministry she taught in Parish Schools in Ballarat and Robinvale. Her most significant contribution in the Ballarat Diocese was introducing the RCIA program.

She was also involved in pastoral planning, liturgy and adult education. There are many throughout the Diocese who will be saddened by her death. May this great woman of Mercy rest in peace.

The funeral arrangements will be provided at a later date.

The funeral will be livestreamed from St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat."

May the merciful Christ welcome Sr Anne into eternal life. May God comfort her Mercy sisters and all those saddened by her passing.

God bless you all. Bishop Paul

Mercy Regional College Alumni Night is now postponed.

Bishops of Victoria stand in solidarity with our Afghani communities across Victoria

The Catholic Bishops of Victoria have expressed their solidarity and support for the local Afghan community and their families back home in a joint statement. Read the statement on the diocesan website

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/cssv-stands-in-solidarity-with-our-afghani-communities-across-victoria/>

ACRATH 2022 calendars now available

ACRATH's first calendar was produced in 2015 and now features in many offices, homes, staff rooms and classrooms. By purchasing a 2022 ACRATH calendar, you're supporting its efforts to promote its work in raising awareness of human trafficking issues, showcase some of the anti-trafficking work of a range of

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organisations worldwide and within Australia, fundraise for ACRATH's work and provide some income for a project in South East Asia supporting victims of human trafficking. For more information go to

<https://acrath.org.au/acrath-2022-calendar/>

Our Diocesan Community – Issue 3, 2021

Planning for the final issue of Our Diocesan Community (ODC) 2021 is underway and we invite your contributions. We will continue the 2021 themes of *Plenary Council / Year of St Joseph / Year of the Family*. We are hoping to gather stories and experiences in the Catholic community – schools, parishes and agencies from all around the diocese. We also invite you to share significant events that may have taken place over the last few months in your parish, school community and agency.

The timeline for the final issue has been changed to allow for the inclusion of reports from the upcoming Plenary Council, therefore the latest date for submissions to this issue is **Friday, October 1, 2021**. Articles should be approximately 250 words maximum in length and accompanied by photos where possible. Photos should be sent as separate JPEG files (not inserted into a Word document). Material can be sent to odc@ballarat.catholic.org.au. We anticipate distribution of this edition to commence in early November. A reminder that when sending in photos, permission should be sought from those in the pictures. From time-to-time, these photos will also be used in other diocesan publications. *Jane & Julie for the ODC Editorial Committee*

Plenary Council Can you please include the below notice in your bulletins for the next month or so until the Plenary Council Assembly, to give people another opportunity to reflect on the Plenary Council coming up in October. As people are not currently gathering for Mass, could you please **email the attached handout with your parish bulletin**. Also if there are any other groups that you email information to, then please include the attachment as well. You can just send answers via email to pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au. Any submissions will be forwarded to the Diocesan Members to the Plenary Council. Thank you for your time and effort. It is much appreciated.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Is 50:5-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah *I gave my body to those who struck me.*

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;

I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help,

so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me?

Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me?

Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 114:1-6. 8-9. R. v.9

(R.) I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

1. I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. (R.)
2. They surrounded me, the snares of death, with anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow
and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord my God, deliver me! (R.)
3. How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me. (R.)
4. He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. (R.)

Second Reading: Jas 2:14-18

A reading from the letter of St James

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Faith without good works is dead.

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) see: Gal 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia! My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mk 8:27-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

You are the Christ ... the Son of Man was destined to suffer much.

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

There are several messianic traditions, each one characterising the anointed one of the future in a unique way. Do we expect a prophetic figure who will enter our world and reform the structures of society, or a strong leader who will overturn these structures and establish a new order? Are we waiting for a teacher who will transform our minds and hearts, or a judge who will punish us for our infidelities? Are we expecting someone who will renew the face of the earth, or someone who will come in fire and brimstone to destroy it? What kind of a messiah do we expect? For what kind of a change are we preparing ourselves?

Jesus seems to overturn our expectations. We look for one who will save us from the predicaments in which we find ourselves, and he comes to us as one who seems to be a victim of his own predicament. God's thinking seems to be the reverse of ours: Those who save their lives, lose them; those who lose their lives, save them; the seed must die before it can bear fruit; Jesus will be killed, but will then be raised from the dead.

Can we claim to understand Jesus? Or are we more like the people in James' community: people who profess faith in Jesus, but who do not live it out; people who speak pleasant words to others, who say the right things, but who do not back up their words with good works? Is our faith really living?

19-September-2021 25th Sunday OT	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	M McKenzie	N/A	J Blair
9 a.m. Lismore Assembly	G Keating	K Deppeler		S McLeod
11am: Camperdown	J Seuren	P Kingston	N/A	G Lucas
Counting Team: G & W Gleeson		Altar Camperdown: M Lucas G McMillan		
Church Cleaning: B Hewitt		Altar Cobden: J Dwyer H Hickey		
Marian Statue: J Plain		Altar Derrinallum:		

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We, the Parish community wish to pledge ourselves for our children's safety and well-being