



# St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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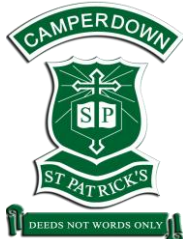
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Dear Friends, In today's gospel we see that Jesus summarizes all the commandments into one; namely "Love". In response to a question asked by a scribe, Jesus puts together the love of God and the love of neighbour, in accordance with the Old Testament Laws. In Jesus' time, Religious leaders study the law that is fundamental to the life of the Jewish people. Mosaic Law contains more than 600 precepts which will indeed be difficult to memorize and follow to the letter. It is customary for people to ask teachers to give a summary of certain laws about specific activities or aspects of life. This will help them along in their attempt to be faithful to the law. Here the Scribe asked about the greatest commandment in the book of Torah. Jesus speaks of love, the solid foundation of and motivation for life.

Love has two dimensions, love of God and love neighbour. Both are intimately linked to each other. Love of God is undivided and unconditional. It embraces a person's whole being, as she/he is with his/her heart, mind and strength. Love of God modifies love of neighbour. The love of neighbour is all inclusive. It does not discriminate against peoples because of race, religion or persuasion. In loving God and neighbour we have to imitate Jesus. Hence, he stroke a balance between love of God and love of neighbour. So let us take Jesus as our model and radiate our love to God and our neighbour. In our celebration, let us ask the Lord to give us the heart and mind of Jesus to love God and our neighbours faithfully and tenderly in our witnessing life. -Neville



### **Weekend Mass Times**

**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: Simpson** 9.00 am

**Camperdown** 11.00 am.

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

1 Kg 17 : 10 – 16; Heb 9: 24 – 28;

Mk 12: 38 – 44.

### **Saints and Feasts:**

Mon- All Saints

Tues- All Souls

Wed- St Martin de Porres,

Thur- St Charles Borromeo,

Fri- St Sylvia,

Sat- St Leonard of Noblac.

### **Pray for the Sick:**

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

### **Recent Deaths & Anniversaries:**

We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time:  
Jane Nolan, Bill Brewer, James Rantall, Rita Castaldo, Keith Vagg, and Stanley Brewer.

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**

**31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ord/Time, Year B. 31/10/2021**

## **Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)**

Keep up-to-date with the latest COVID-19 restrictions 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/>. Statements from the Premier regarding COVID-19 matters are published immediately on his webpage; <https://www.premier.vic.gov.au/>. At the very end of the page is also published the upgraded table of restrictions, PDF format, that are based on his most recent press conference. This page is updated daily.

### **This Message came from Bishop's Office:**

Hello Everyone,

As you may have seen, the Victorian Government has announced **new COVID regulations to come into effect from 6pm on Friday October 29**. The attached document gives details for gatherings of various kinds. Here I simply offer a summary of the provisions that relate to **gatherings in churches**.

**When vaccination status is unknown**, the new government regulations will permit gatherings of up to **30 people** for religious ceremonies, with 1 person per 4 square metres. I ask that each parish have at least one Mass each week with this limit of 30 people, so as to provide some access to Mass for those who, for various reasons, are not vaccinated.

For those who are **fully vaccinated or have a medical exemption**, the new government regulations will permit gatherings of up to **500 people** for religious ceremonies, with 1 person per 4 square metres. Vaccination status relates to those 16 years of age and older.

For weddings, the lower figure is 30 people plus the marrying couple and those necessary to conduct the wedding. For funerals, the lower figure is 30 people plus those necessary to conduct the funeral.

Thank you for supporting one another through these trying times. I offer special thanks to those who have assisted with gatherings in our churches over these past 18 months – those who have taken bookings for Masses, those who have helped us register as we have arrived at church, those who have done the extra cleaning throughout the pandemic. I ask you to continue to be patient as we negotiate the time ahead. Especially I ask you to be patient if you attend a gathering where we need to check vaccination status. Remember, those checking have not made the regulations. They are simply helping us to have as many people as possible attend Mass within the constraints of the government regulations.

God bless you all, Bishop Paul

**Please advise the Parish Office if you have any health/personal concerns for not taking the COVID-19 VACCINE.**

**In Registering the Attendances at Church:** we are going to continue to register the attendances' 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.

**Mass gatherings for this weekend and onwards**, are permitted for up to 20 people. This Sunday it is **Group B:** David & Jan Brewer, Ray Brewer, Dot Benson, Margaret Patterson, Glenda Lucas, Sherrine Swain, Sandra Stephens, Di Searle, Pat & Lynette Hickey, Margaret Sinnott, Peter & Helen O'Sullivan, Bob & Annette Gardner, **Next Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October Group A:** Rob & Maureen Larkins, Johanna Dickenburg, Lanie Burkett, Annette Mulholland, Maureen Macauley, Frank & Carmel Conheady, Des & Margaret Russell, Kath Sinnott, Peter Sumner, Margaret Fleming, John Larkins, Tony & Trish O'Leary, Michael & Judy Conheady, Brian & Coral McCarthy, Andrew O'Flynn

**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.

**Last weekend's Collection:** I would like to thank everyone for their assistance & support. Last week you generously gave to the Parish \$1760.00 & Presbytery \$358.00. God bless you and keep you all safe in His Care.

**Australian Catholic Bishops Social Justice Statement 2021-22, "Cry of the Earth Cry of the Poor"**

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

**The Ballarat Diocese Social Justice Commission Forum on November 6<sup>th</sup>**, 10am -3pm is available on Zoom, as well as some Hubs across the Diocese, is a response to the Social Justice Statement. To register for both, go to the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat website, click on the Social Justice window on the front page and follow prompts to register. You will receive a reply.

**Mercy Regional College Annual Car Raffle 2021:** Tickets Still only \$10. Drawn on 29<sup>th</sup> November. You could purchase you tickets online at [rafflelink.com.au/mrc.affle-21](https://rafflelink.com.au/mrc.affle-21) for more information at [www.mercy.vic.edu.au](http://www.mercy.vic.edu.au) Thank you. More information please contact Rose Henry Mobile: 0407 875 886.

### **Catholic Mission Month**

Catholic Mission Australia has launched its annual World Mission Month Appeal, focusing on the work of the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand supporting children from vulnerable and disadvantaged backgrounds through the Kindergarten Centre. For more information go to <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/catholic-mission-launches-world-mission-month-appeal>

### **Plenary Council – it's a wrap!**

The first Assembly of the Plenary Council was held last week and concluded on Sunday. Daily diocesan updates from the Plenary Council and reflections from diocesan members are available at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/e-news/>. To watch recordings of sessions and Masses from the Council go to <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/masses-and-livestreams/>. We will keep you updated on the progress of the Plenary Council towards Assembly Two in July 2022.

### **For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission**

On Sunday, October 10, 2021 Pope Francis celebrated Mass to mark the global launch of the Synod of Bishops with the theme For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission. In dioceses around the world, local launches will take place this coming weekend, ushering in a period of local consultation that will assist with the two-year process that will culminate in the Synod of Bishops gathering in Rome in October 2023. The Plenary Council and Synod of Bishops processes will overlap, and a national committee has created a timeline to explain how the processes will unfold <https://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **First Reading:** Dt 6:2-6

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

*Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.*

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

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

### **Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51. R.v.2

**(R.) I love you Lord, my strength.**

1. I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour.  
My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.  
The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)
2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be to the God that saves me.  
He has given great victories to his king and shown love for his anointed. (R.)

### **Second Reading:** Heb 7:23-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.*

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

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

**Gospel Acclamation** (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) see: Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mk 12:28-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.*

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord you God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more

**This is the Gospel of the Lord.**

**REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA**

Israel was called by God. To what was Israel called? To what were the crowds who followed Jesus called? To what are we called? To a covenant relationship with the Lord who is God, the one who is Lord alone. We have been invited into an intimate personal relationship with the creator of the universe, the one who plays with black holes and white dwarfs and at the same time with infinite interest has numbered the very hairs on our head (cf. Matt 10:30). We have heard this so often that it may have become commonplace. The marvel of it may escape our attention, because it has become just a part of our religious language. It is well that once in a while we are shaken to our senses, 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord is your God, the Lord alone!'

It is not marvel enough that this mysterious God has created us; we have also been redeemed. As victim-priest Jesus has offered himself on our behalf. He is the sacrifice that sealed the covenant; his blood was the expiation for our sins; he is our rock, our fortress, our deliverer, our shield, our stronghold. Only one thing is asked of us in return: that we open ourselves to him and cling to the covenant that we proclaim with all our hearts 'The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!' We are to love with all our heart and all our soul and all our strength; we are to love God and to love others.

31-October-2021 31st Sunday OT	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	G Gleeson	G Kelson		
9 a.m. Derrinallum Assembly	L Johnstone	K Deppeler		
11am: Camperdown	P Conheady	P Conheady		
Counting Team: P & A Burke		Altar Camperdown: L Hickey M Larkins		
Church Cleaning: B Hewitt		Altar Cobden: M Cole J Teal		
Marian Statue: H & J Seuren		Altar Derrinallum: M Grant		

07-November-2021 32nd Sunday OT	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	M McKenzie		
9 a.m. Derrinallum Assembly	A K Deppeler	A Bell		
11am: Camperdown	St Pat's School			
Counting Team: P & J Dwyer		Altar Camperdown: D Daffy S Pemberton		
Church Cleaning: P Burke		Altar Cobden: C Malady H Kelly		
Marian Statue: E Boyd		Altar Derrinallum: D Halloran		

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