

Parish of Timboon

St Joseph's Timboon & St Andrew's Simpson

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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH .



Dear Friends, God often reveals his glory to us in unexpected places like - in a cold stable at Bethlehem, at a village wedding party in Cana, on the road to Emmaus and so on. In today's Gospel reading we see the first public sign and miracle which Jesus performed. The Lord Jesus brought great blessing and joy to a newlywed couple and their wedding party. First by his presence, and second by saving them from embarrassment when the wine ran out. Changing water into wine was a remarkable act of kindness; but leaving the best to last was unnecessary and unheard of. In the Old Testament wine is seen as both a gift and blessing of God. Jesus miraculously producing the best wine would show us the superabundance of the blessings which he came to offer.

This miracle signifies the happiness and the blessing that Jesus going to bring to us through his "New Covenant". It also points to the Messianic banquet which Jesus will provide at the end of the age when he comes again in his glory. The miracles of Jesus demonstrate the power of God's love and mercy for his people. God's kindness knows no limits. And the ultimate expression of his love is revealed in the person of his Son, Jesus. He became flesh for our sake, and he died for our redemption, and he rose that we, too, might be raised up and glorified with him. Let us thirst for God and the abundant life and blessings he offers to us in our day-to-day life. - Neville

Our Sick: Pat Thornton, Bernadette Moloney, Gina Vogels

Anniversaries In January : Vera Hickey, Madge Boyle, Bill Haig, Patrick F Nicholson, Greg O'Flynn, Peg Duffy, Laurie Loft, Nancy Nugent, Jim Rylance Snr, Brian Fleming, Patricia Gaut, Ann Dodd, Bob Maslin, Catherine Dendle, Gertruda Heyden, Frank Keegan, Anne van Duynhoven

Recently Deceased: Eileen Dillon



Planned Giving statements for 3rd October 2021 to 26th December 2021 are now available in the church foyers for collection. For those who receive their statements by email there will be printed copies this time in case you are unable to open the document.

Ministries for the Mass of the Oils 2022: The Mass of the Oils will take place on Monday, April 11, 2022. Can you please advise me if your catechumens and candidates would be available and/or willing to participate in this Mass.

Photo permission: We seek permission from those participating in the Rite of Election and the Mass of the Oils to publish photos in the diocesan communications. Please advise the Pastoral Ministry Office if this is not suitable.

Looking Forward Booklet 2021-2025

The new "**Looking Forward**" pastoral planning booklet 2021-2025 is now available and can be access and/or downloaded from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/looking-forward/>. Hard copies will be distributed to parishes in the new year. This new edition of "**Looking Forward**" provides principles to guide our pastoral planning, includes data about the diocese and offers information on changes to parishes over the next few years.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday 16 Jan 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C



First Reading **Is 62:1-5**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

About Zion I will not be silent,
about Jerusalem I will not grow weary,
until her integrity shines out like the dawn
and her salvation flames like a torch.

The nations then will see your integrity,
all the kings your glory,
and you will be called by a new name,
one which the mouth of the Lord will confer.
You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord,
a princely diadem in the hand of your God;
no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken',
nor your land 'Abandoned',
but you shall be called 'My Delight'
and your land 'The Wedded';
for the Lord takes delight in you
and your land will have its wedding.
Like a young man marrying a virgin,
so will the one who built you wed you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride,
so will your God rejoice in you.

The Word of the Lord...*Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm **Ps 95:1-3. 7-10. R. v.3**

(R.) Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. **(R.)**
2. Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. **(R.)**
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. **(R.)**
4. Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. **(R.)**



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Second Reading **1 Cor 12:4-11**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

One and the same spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

The Word of the Lord...Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation **See 2 Thes 2:14**

Alleluia, alleluia!
God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!

Gospel **Jn 2:1-11**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The first of the signs given by Jesus was at Cana in Galilee.

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews; each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew – the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink, but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord...Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Praying with Pope Francis

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at www.thepopevideo.org.

Pope's intention for January: **For true human fraternity:** We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognised, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission

The period of local consultation as part of the global journey to the 2023 XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops has commenced. The online portal is now open to receive responses to 10 key questions the Synod documents pose. Reflection guides and prayer resources have been created to support engagement with the Synod journey. Resources available include a media release regarding the consultation process, reflection guides, prayers and the Synod logo at <https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>.

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 available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/coronavirus-the-churches-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.

Pathways Response Victoria

The Victorian Catholic Bishops launched Pathways Response Victoria this week, which will provide a further way of responding to those who have suffered abuse in the Catholic community. Pathways Response Victoria will be the successor to Towards Healing and The Melbourne Response from the start of 2022. More information is available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pathways-response-victoria/>

Timboon	16th January 9:00 a.m. Mass	23rd January 9:00 a.m. Assembly W & C	30th January 9:00 a.m. Mass
Welcome	A McMeel	G Vogels	L Tregua
Leaders		R Hoffmann E O'Connor	
Statue	M Turner	B Moloney	T & E O'Connor
Reader	P Nicholson	T O'Connor	A Vogels
POF	O Muliawan	J McInerney	L McInerney
E.M.H.C.		C Marr	
Bulletin	G Swierczek	G Swierczek	G Swierczek
Slides	K Currell	K Currell	K Currell
Cleaners	R Hoffmann	R Hoffman	R Hoffmann
Simpson	Closed	Assembly W & C 9am	Closed