

Parish of Timboon



St Joseph's Timboon & St Andrew's Simpson

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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH .

Dear Friends,

Jesus' two parables about poor vision refer to the proverb: *Without vision the people perish!* (Proverbs 29:18). What can we learn from the image of a blind guide and a bad eye? A *bad eye* left untreated will cause a lot of trouble that will only end in Misery. And a *blind guide* can also end in misery and disaster. We can only help and teach others what we have learned and received from wise teachers and guides. And how can we help others overcome their faults if we are blinded by our own faults and misperceptions? We are all in need of a physician who can help us overcome the blind spots of our own weaknesses and ignorance.

The Gospel of Luke was written by a disciple who was trained as a physician. Luke, with keen insight, portrays Jesus as the good physician and shepherd of souls who seeks out those who desire healing, pardon, and restoration of body, mind, and spirit. Jesus came to free us from the darkness of sin and evil. Like a gentle and skilful doctor, Jesus exposes the cancer of sin and evil in our lives, so that we can be set free and restored to wholeness. A key step to healing and restoration requires that we first surrender to the physician who can heal us. Jesus is our great Physician because he heals the whole person - soul and body, mind and heart - and restores us to abundant life in his everlasting kingdom.

-Neville.

Our Sick: Pat Thornton, Bernadette Moloney, Gina Vogels

Anniversaries In February : Mary McMeel, Mary van Nieuwkerk, Walter Churchill, Peter O'Connor, An Vogels, Nellie Kennedy, Jim McMeel, Pat Maslin, James Coleman, Joe Delaney, Nell Pekin, Susan Boyle, Frances Hammett, Carmel O'Connor, John Fowler, Graeme Bell, Peter Crowe, Ceily Plozza, John Vogels, Eileen Maguire, Nora Townsend

Recent Death: Sister Anne Forbes



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.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Keep up to date with the latest COVID-19 restrictions on the government website <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/> .

Updates are also available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/coronavirus-the-churchs-information-and-advice-2/>.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday 27 Feb 2022

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

Sir 27:4-7

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

Do not praise someone before they have spoken.

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.
The kiln tests the work of the potter,
the test of a man is in his conversation.
The orchard where the tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit,
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,
since this is the test of men.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. See v.2

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the night. **(R.)**
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **(R.)**
3. Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **(R.)**

Second Reading

1 Cor 15:54-58

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

Victory has been given to us through Jesus Christ.

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

Gospel Acclamation

Phil 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!



Gospel

Lk 6:39-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

A person speaks from what is in his heart.

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord...*Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ*

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World Day of Prayer. Friday March 4th,

St Joseph's Timboon , 1.30 pm

"On the first Friday of March 2022, communities across the world will come together to launch the celebration of the World Day of Prayer prepared by the women of England, Wales and Northern Ireland!

The 2022 theme, "I Know the Plans I Have for You", is an invitation to have faith in God even when we don't see or imagine hope, because surely God has a plan for each of us, plans filled with hope and promise. "

All parishioners and families are invited to the **World Day of Prayer** at **St Joseph's, Timboon** on **Friday March 4th at 1.30p.m.** There will be an ecumenical service and a cuppa and chat afterwards. Please bring a small plate of food to share.



Mass of the Oils 2022

The Mass of the Oils will be held on Monday, April 11, 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 6.30pm. Supper will follow in the Hall. Any COVID restrictions applicable at this time will apply to the Mass of the Oils.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Today, Charlotte Couch and William Douglas are to receive folders to begin preparation for Confirmation and Eucharist. Their confirmation and Eucharist ceremony Mass will be July 17th. Please remember them in your prayers

The Notice from Bishop's Office.

Hello Everyone,

As you may have seen, the Victorian Government has announced the lifting of the requirement to wear masks in places of worship, with effect from 11.59pm tonight (Friday 25 February 2022). **So, from tonight, masks will not be required in places of worship.**

Thank you for your flexibility in adapting to the provisions of the health regulations as these have changed through the course of the pandemic. Your care for one another has been a strength for the community. Please continue to support one another in the days ahead.

I rejoice that we can gather for worship now without the former restrictions. As we celebrate the liturgies of Lent, may this season be fruitful for us all in renewed faith and hope and love.

May the peace of Christ be **with** you always. Bishop Paul

Project Compassion Sunday today – February 27

Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and "For All Future Generations." With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2022 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come to build better future for all. As St Pope John Paul II said, "The future starts today, not tomorrow." Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow "For All Future Generations." You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish or by visiting www.lent.caritas.org.au or by calling 1800 024 413.

Timboon	27th February 9:00 a.m. Assembly W & C	6th March	Closed	13th March 9:00 a.m. Assembly W & C
Welcome	G Vogels			
Leaders	E O'Connor J McInerney			T O'Connor, P Nicholson
Statue	G Townsend			P Haugh
Reader	K Currell			R Hoiffmann
POF	R Hoffmann			K Currell
E.M.H.C.	A McMeel			C Bullen
Bulletin	P Nicholson M Moloney	G Swierzek		G Swierzek
Slides	P Nicholson	A Vogels		A Vogels
Cleaners		J Delaney, T Vogels		J Delaney, T Vogels
Simpson	Assembly W & C 9am	Mass 9:00 a,m,		Assembly W & C 9am