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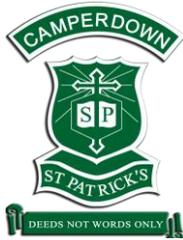
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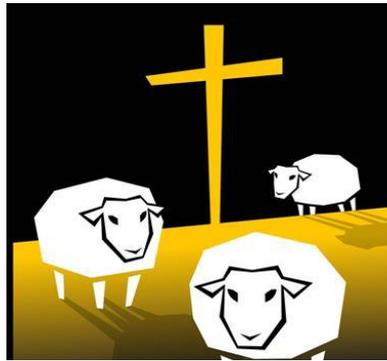
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Dear Friends, This weekend we celebrate 'Good Shepherd Sunday'. Through this gospel story Jesus describes three qualities of his sheep. Firstly, they hear his voice, secondly Jesus knows them and thirdly they follow him. To recognize Jesus' voice amidst the varieties of voices that call out, offer many choices for Jesus' sheep; they compete to draw the attention of the sheep. They are from the public arena of social media, consumerism, and worldly ideologies. In this discord of voices Jesus' sheep recognize their master's voice. We see in the gospel: Jesus calls out to his sheep, and they hear him. Let us ask ourselves; do we hear him in the depths of our conscience, in the events of the day, in the pages of the Bible and in the teachings of the Church?

We have to realize that we belong with his sheep. Are we aware that Jesus knows and loves us? We will be known to be real followers of Jesus if we love one another as he has loved us and if we keep his commandments. Normally we don't offend the person we love, and we try to please him/her. So let us cultivate a good relationship with Jesus through our personal prayer and sacraments. If we have a good and loving relationship with Jesus, then we will be eager to hear his voice and try to please him through our deeds and words. So, in our celebration, let us ask the Lord to give His grace to change our heart of stone into a loving and compassionate heart, so that we may be able to love Jesus and accept him as our Shepherd. -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:

Acts 14: 21 – 27, Rev 21: 1 – 5;

Jn 13: 31 – 35.

Saints and Feasts:

Mon- St George Preca

Tues- St John of Avila

Wed- St Walter

Thu- Ss Pancras & Nereus

Fri- St Our Lady of Fatima

Sat- St Matthias, Apostle

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are ill:

Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, Brian Wain, Mary Hickey, Bernd Menz, Peter Saunders, Teresa Gittany.

Recent Deaths: Anna van Someren

Katrina Pemberton

Anniversaries: We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Marie Moran, Skye Bowman, Maria Eijsvogel Leslie Hammond, Mavis Reed and Therese de Been.

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. Thank you.



4th Sunday of Easter, Year C. 08/05/2022

Prayer for Mother's Day

Loving God, we pray for our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them reverence and love, and others who show us a mother's love.

We pray for adoptive mothers and for the women who wish to give birth but experience challenges, that they know your care.

We pray for mothers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them.

We pray for those who wish to serve as mothers, but are not able to do so, that they know your comfort.

We pray for mothers who have died, that God may bring them into the joy of his kingdom. Amen.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Checking-in is no longer required. Face masks are no longer required in most indoor settings, but they are still recommended. Carry a mask when leaving home. They are strongly recommended if you have any COVID-19 symptoms and are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19.

Mass Counts start on weekend 7-8 May

The Annual Diocesan Mass Count will take place over 4 weekends in May. Counting will start on 7-8 May and continue each weekend until the end of May. Forms are attached. You can use either form to record your Mass counts.

- Please record a count for every Mass and Lay Led Assembly held in your parish on each of the four weekends.
- Please complete **all** columns, including what the 'usual' count would be.
- If you have increased or reduced numbers, include the reason why (eg. Baptism, First Eucharist, etc).

If you have any queries, please email fran.peterkin@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Last weekend's Collection:

I would like to thank everyone for their assistance & support. Last week you generously gave to the Parish \$284.50 & Presbytery \$457.60. God bless you and keep you all safe in His Care.

Lay Led Assembly Resources

Sunday Assembly of Word and Communion resources for the Easter Triduum and Season of Easter Year C 2022 have been emailed/mailed to contacts. Resource material is also available from the diocesan website members area.



Laudato Si' Week: May 16-24, 2022

As part of Catholic Earthcare's celebration of *Laudato Si'* Week, they are hosting an online screening of the newly released 'Regenerating Australia' short film - a fictitious news segment set on New Year's Eve 2029, examining the decade that 'could be'. The film challenges people to consider how to respond to the Cry of the Earth. Participants will be joined by Bishop Ken Howell and a range of guest speakers to share in this

celebration. After the film, there will be a panel discussion and question time regarding how we can take the teachings of the film and respond as Catholics here in Australia. You are welcome to join by yourself or register a parish group for the viewing (please note if registering for a group, only 1 person need register via Trybooking). The video will be streamed via zoom so you can watch together on a suitable venue like a parish hall. The online event will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 from 6.00pm – 8.00pm AEST, 4.00pm – 6.00pm AWST. Bookings at: <https://www.trybooking.com/BZADT>. Letter attached.

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 April: For health care workers: We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially those in the poorest countries. May they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

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

National Family Week: May 15-21, 2022

CatholicCare Victoria believes that building strong family relationships is the key to building healthy, resilient communities. Strong families give children the foundation they need to grow and the support they need to face challenges and setbacks not only now, but into the future. So how can parents and families build strong family relationships? Family Relationship Practitioners in Bendigo, Julia Feiss and Lisa Castles, share five important elements for creating strong families at <https://www.catholiccarevic.org.au/news/247/a-blessing-for-families>. There is also, "A Blessing for Families" on this webpage.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity for 2022: May 29 – June 5

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 was chosen by the Middle East Council of Churches "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship" (cf Matthew 2:2). Resources for use in prayer services in your parishes, local ministers associations or inter-church Councils are available at <https://www.ncca.org.au/faith-and-unity-resources/wopcu22>

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We are now turning to the gentiles.

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.' It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 99:1-3. 5. R. v.3

(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing for joy. ***(R.)***

2. Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. ***(R.)***

3. Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. ***(R.)***

Second Reading: Rev 7:9, 14-17

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The Lamb, who is at the throne, will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and

the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: (*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation*). Jn 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia

Gospel: Jn 10:27-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

I give my sheep eternal life.

Jesus said: The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life;
they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me.
The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one
can steal from the Father. The Father and I are one.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

You and I are Gentiles – part of the non-Jewish world. We are the sort of Christians we are, because of St Paul. He became the strongest advocate of the grace that the early Christian community should be inclusive of all nations and tribes and ethnic groups on the face of the earth. We have not yet realised this potential.

What riches of intellectual traditions, cultural expressions, and organisational structure are we still to receive from the Chinese, the Korean, the Indonesians, the Africans, the Indian Catholics who are part of our 'Church without Borders'? How do we maintain unity and identity amongst such diversity? By listening for the voice of the Good Shepherd, Our Lord Jesus Christ. But it takes a good teacher to help us to hear The Voice in the clamour of life.

Some of those teachers may be found amongst the Bishops who carry a shepherd's staff. But at least in my experience the best assistant-shepherds have been my parents, and some others. They have helped me hear The Voice assuring me that I will never perish, that I will receive eternal life. That is a Voice worth following! We could pause for a moment to get on the same wavelength as the Good Shepherd so as to echo His Voice in our lives.

08-May-2022 4th Sunday Easter	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	J Dwyer	G Kelson	Gleeson Family	J Blair J Dwyer
9 a.m. Lismore	A Bell	G FitzGerald		S McLeod
11am: Camperdown	R Henry	P Kingston	Kingston Family	G Lucas M Russell
Counting Team: P & A Burke		Altar Camperdown: C McCarthy J Delaney		
Church Cleaning: H & J Seuren		Altar Cobden: Kate Daffy		
Marian Statue: P Everett				

15-May-2022 5th Sunday Easter	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	T Bricknell	M McKenzie	J Dwyer	P Dwyer A Horan
9 a.m. Lismore	A Mahony	S McLeod		L Johnstone
11am: Camperdown	M Saunders	R Henry	D Russell	P Conheady J Saunders
Counting Team: P & J Dwyer		Altar Camperdown: M Russell A Gardner		
Church Cleaning: R Henry		Altar Cobden: Kate Daffy		
Marian Statue: C Wilson				

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