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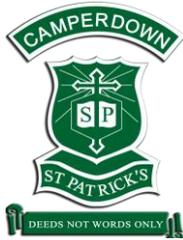
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Dear Friends, In today's gospel we see that Jesus is telling us which is important in his discipleship through his story. Let us ask ourselves: Is there anything more important than serving the Lord? The gospel says: There is none other than following the Lord. Mary in the gospel chooses to be with Jesus rather busy herself preparing food with Martha for Jesus and his disciples to eat. The Lord tells Martha that while it is good to prepare food for him, it is better to just be with him. It is, after all, their company that he seeks, not the food that Martha is preparing.

We would have experienced something similar when we visit our friends' places where the family is busy with preparing food for us rather than sitting, having conversation and socializing. Yes we have to eat but the preparing of food is not the most important part of our meeting. As you know we can always order and get the food delivered. The time that we spend with our friends adds fuel to our companionship, rather than preparing food. Sometimes we fail to read the importance in our life. Because, the anxiety of preparing good food takes away the happiness of our company. Through the gospel story Jesus tells us that he wants us in his company. Sometimes the worst competitor of our love for the Lord is our work for the Lord. Take time just to be with the Lord and listen to him before the Blessed Sacrament or listen quietly to his word as you read the Bible in the Spirit. - 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: Lismore 9.00 am

Camperdown 11.00 am.

Next Weekend Readings:

Gen 18: 20 – 32, Col 2: 12 – 14;

Lk 11: 1 – 13.

Saints and Feasts:

Mon- St Simon of Lipnica.

Tues- St John Plessington.

Wed- St Apollinaris of Ravenna.

Thu- St Lawrence of Brindisi.

Fri- St Mary Magdalene.

Sat- St Bridget of Sweden.

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are ill:

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

Recent Death: Barbara Kane

Anniversaries: We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Beverley Palmer, Margaret Gallichan, Desmond Ryan, Maree Hutt, Valerie Newling, Mary Canavan, Margaret Timms, Ellen Anderson, John Walsh.

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.

We pray for all who are suffering and bereaved. At this time of sorrow, incomprehension, and tragedy, we stand together. In this crisis, we pray for God's mercy and healing for the sick and for health and strength for all who care for them. Amen.

First Holy Communion: we would like to congratulate these children from our parish who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend: Emma Bonner, Rhys Darcy, Luca Macchiesi May, Tristan O'Connor, Beau Ponting, Evie Wagner, Flynn Wagner, Clancey Wagner, Sydney Wagner and Clem Walsh. Thomas Atkins, Maisie Cunningham, Bailey Fox, Etti Glennen, Alex Huggins, Cooper Mahony, Mali Maskell, Bryce Miller, Edie Molan, Wally Rees, Caitlin Rundle, Elaine Ryan, Abi Sinnott, Darby Sinnott, Harry Sinnott, Vincent Titmus and Taj Woodmason.

We would like to express our gratitude to our School Principal, the staff, the Religious Coordinator Tracy Hickey and their parents for preparing the children for the sacrament. Please keep these children in your prayers as they continue their spiritual journey.

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.

Last weekend's Collection:

I would like to thank everyone for their assistance & support. Last week you generously gave to the Parish \$360.00 & Presbytery \$500.70. God bless you and keep you all safe in His Care.

Heart of Life is offering an "At-home Retreat: Held in Hope" – over five weeks, beginning Monday, 1 August and concluding 29 August. This at-home retreat, invites you to spend some time in prayer at home each day pondering your experiences of the day, and to be accompanied by a retreat-companion weekly, via Zoom for 45 minutes, on how God might have been present for you. A small donation will be welcome. To register your interest, please call 9890 1101 or email info@heartoflife.melbourne, no later than 18 July 2022.

Alpha Catholic Context Revive and Thrive Conference 2022

For the first time ever, Alpha Australia is having a national Alpha in a Catholic Context Conference in Brisbane on November 4 & 5, 2022; lock these dates in your calendar! Register now, only 250 spots available! <https://www.alpha.org.au/reviveandthrive>

Our Diocesan Community – Issue 2 2022

The first edition of ODC 2022 is available for collection from the diocesan offices in Ballarat. Please encourage parishioners to take copies to the homebound, nursing homes, hospitals, etc., to spread the good news of the diocese. Thank you to those who have collected their copies.

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 July: For the elderly:** We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people. May their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

New Online Learning Module Registration Details

Over the past few months Michael Myers, Professional Standards Co-ordinator, has been requesting parishes to provide names and the email address of staff and volunteers who will be asked to undertake the new online Safeguarding Essentials module. (Please refer to the emails sent by Michael on March 23 and May 31 for further information, with the subject: Salt online learning). If your parish has not yet provided the relevant information we ask that you please send it to

Michael.myers@ballarat.catholic.org.au as soon as possible.

Ordinations to the Priesthood: July 22, 2022

The ordination of priests for the Diocese will be on Friday, July 22, 2022 at 7.00pm, Ballarat. All welcome to attend. For those not able to attend the Mass will be livestreamed at <https://youtu.be/gnpY6nMKz3M> Please note that, the parish is going to organize a bus to take our parishioners who are willing to attend the Ordination ceremony on 22nd of July. Please contact and express your intention to Kate Duffy on 5595

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1020 or Gerard Gleeson on 0427822361. The bus will leave 4.30 pm at Cobden, 5.00 pm at Camperdown and Lismore at 5.30. Thank you.

Thanksgiving Masses

The newly ordained priests will celebrate Thanksgiving Masses on Saturday, July 23, 2002. All are welcome to attend. Fr William Lowry: St James' Church, Sebastopol at 9.00am.

Fr Matthew Restall: St Alipius Church, Ballarat East at 11.30am.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: (Genesis 18:1-10) *Lord, do not bypass your servant.*

A reading from the book of Genesis

One hot summer afternoon Abraham was sitting by the entrance to his tent near the sacred trees of Mamre, when the Lord appeared to him. Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. He quickly ran to meet them and bowed with his face to the ground. He said, "Please come to my home where I can serve you. I will have some water brought, so you can wash your feet, and then you can rest under the tree. Let me get you some food to give you strength before you leave. I would be honoured to serve you."

They answered, "Thank you very much. We accept your offer."

Abraham hurried to his tent and said to Sarah, "Hurry! Get a large sack of fine flour. Then mix it and make some bread." After saying this, he hurried off to his herd of cattle and picked out one of the best calves, which his servant quickly prepared. He served his guests some yogurt and milk, together with the meat.

While they were eating, he stood near them under the trees. They asked him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" He answered, "She is right there in the tent." One of the guests was the Lord, and he said, "I will come back next spring, and when I do, Sarah will already have a son."

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm Ps 15:1-3

The response is *The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

All: *The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

Who may stay in God's temple or live on the holy mountain of the Lord?

Only those who obey God and do as they should. They speak the truth and don't spread gossip.

Response. **All: *The just will live in the presence of the Lord.***

They treat others fairly and don't say cruel things. Those who do these things will always stand firm.

Respond. **All: *The just will live in the presence of the Lord.***

Second Reading: (Colossians 1:27-28) *God's mystery has been revealed to you.*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians

Brothers and sisters: God did this because he wanted you Gentiles to understand his wonderful and glorious mystery. And the mystery is that Christ lives in you, and he is your hope of sharing in God's glory.

We announce the message about Christ, and we use all our wisdom to warn and teach everyone, so that all Christ's followers will grow and become mature.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: (*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation*) Luke 8-15

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed are they who have kept the word with a generous heart

and yield a harvest through perseverance. Alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

The Lord and his disciples were travelling along and came to a village. When they got there, a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat down in front of the Lord and was listening to what he said. Martha was worried about all that had to be done. Finally, she went to Jesus and said, "Lord, doesn't it bother you that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her to come and help me!"

The Lord answered, "Martha, Martha! You are worried and upset about so many things, but only one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen what is best, and it will not be taken away from her."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Jesus turned the customs and taboos of his society upside down. In this Gospel, against all the rules of segregation, Jesus is alone with women who are *not* his relatives, completely at ease with their hospitality. It is personal relationships, not gender determined relationships, which are important to him.

Further, here is Mary assuming the posture of a student at the feet of a Rabbi (teacher) listening to his teaching. We remember that Jesus had chosen his male disciples in order to teach *them*. Mary chooses *Him* to teach *her!* Maybe it was a counter-cultural step too far for Martha. Is that what she is really 'anxious and troubled' about?

Jesus was willing to upset the social conventions and religious taboos of his day in respect of women. What would be a good contemporary response of the Catholic Church?

The word 'cardinal' means hinge – 'hinge of the door' – an essential part of the structure of the Church which is our home, in which we listen to the words of Jesus Christ. Could the College of Cardinals be supplemented to include women alongside the ordained male prelates? Outstanding women, religious or lay, could head some Vatican departments and take part in the election of the Pope. That would be a strongly symbolic step with repercussions throughout the Church.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the Church to show a greater willingness to sit, like Mary, at the feet of Jesus so that we may hear his words: 'You have chosen the better portion.'

17-July-2022 16th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	School	School		
9 a.m. Lismore	S McLeod	A Mahony		D Halloran
11am: Camperdown	School	School		School
Counting Team: R & A Gardner		Altar Camperdown: D Daffy S Pemberton		
Church Cleaning: H & J Seuren		Altar Cobden: Sue Ralph		
Marian Statue: E Boyd				

24-July-2022 17th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	B Hammond	K Daffy		
9 a.m. Lismore	S Bialek	S McLeod		M Barry
11am: Camperdown	M Saunders	J Seuren		R Henry
Counting Team: P & L Hickey		Altar Camperdown: M Lucas G McMillan		
Church Cleaning: R Henry		Altar Cobden: Sue Ralph		

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