

## Parish of Timboon



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**WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH .**

Dear Friends, In today's gospel we see someone ask a question of Jesus: Lord, will only a few people be saved? Which Jesus considers an irrelevant question. To answer such a question is to satisfy curiosity but is not helpful to anyone. Instead, Jesus answers, strive to enter through the narrow gate. What really matters is for us to be saved and for us to help save others. And that means entering through the narrow gate, what the Lord refers to elsewhere as denying ourselves, carrying our cross daily and following him. In practice, this means living selflessly in love of God and our fellow human beings. This is to do what Christ says, and what God wills.

Jesus points out to his followers that it is not enough for them to say we ate, drank in your company and you taught in our street. Even they will be rejected if they turn out to be evildoers. Jesus also predicts the coming into the kingdom of God of non-Jews, while the Jews who did wrong will be excluded. Today we can say that attaining salvation is not a matter of doing good and not doing evil. Many non-Christians will be saved if they follow their consciences and do good, while many Christians will be rejected if they do not do good. Our Christian religion is a greater help to know what Christ says, and what God wills, but our belonging to the Christians religion is not a guarantee that we will be saved. So, our Christian vocation is to love God and our brothers and sisters just as Jesus did. So let us ask the Lord to give us the heart and mind of Jesus so that we may be able to fulfil our Christian vocation in imitating in our witnessing life. -Neville.

**Our Sick:** Pat Thornton, Gina Vogels

**Anniversaries In August:** Vin O'Connor, Mary Maslin, ETTY McKinnon, Joan Densley, Mary Wintle, Frank Maguire, Arthur Hammett, Martin Vogels, Norah Place, Jacinta Bracks, Pat Carey, Josie Bird, Fr Brendan Davey

**Recent Deaths:** Jim Delaney Leo Bond



**Apostolic Letter "Desiderio Desideravi" of the Holy Father Francis:** The Apostolic Letter from Pope Francis to the Bishops, Priests and Deacons, to consecrated men and women and to the lay faithful on the liturgical formation of the People of God, is available to download from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/apostolic-letter-desiderio-desideravi-of-the-holy-father-francis/>

**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](http://www.thepopevideo.org). **Pope's intention for August: For small business:** We pray for small and medium sized businesses. In the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

**Vinnie's Winter Appeal:** Domestic violence is the leading cause of homelessness for women and children. Your support of the 2022 Vinnie's Winter Appeal will help provide emergency accommodation, financial support, as well as material assistance. To donate go to <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/winter-appeal-vic> **If you have warm clothing, blankets etc. to donate please see Pat Nicholson.**

**Season of Creation: September 1 – October 4, 2022:** Resources for parishes to celebrate the Season of Creation 2022 are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/welfare/catholic-earthcare-ballarat-diocese/season-of-creation-2021/>



# LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday 21 August 2022

## Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

### **First Reading:** *Is 66:18-21*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*They will gather all of your people from all nations.*

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

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

### **Responsorial Psalm:** *Ps 116. R. Mk 16:15*

(R.) Go out to all the world  
and tell the Good News.

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. O praise the Lord, all you nations,  
acclaim him all you peoples! (R.)
2. Strong is his love for us;  
he is faithful for ever. (R.)

### **Second Reading:** *Heb 12:5-7, 11-13*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*The Lord disciplines those he loves.*

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

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

### **Gospel Acclamation:** (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation): *Jn 14:6*

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;  
no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!



### **Gospel: Lk 13:22-30**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.*

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

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

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**A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:** ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. In areas of crisis, churches are often destroyed by violence. Where the faith is growing, new churches are needed. ACN supports the reconstruction in these areas because a church is the centre of the life of faith and even the smallest chapel provides people with hope and a spiritual home. Can you help build churches to support the faithful throughout the world? Visit [www.aidtochurch.org](http://www.aidtochurch.org)

**St Augustine's Church Creswick 150th Anniversary:** On the weekend of September 17 & 18, 2022 celebrations will be held for the 150th anniversary of St Augustine's Church, Creswick. For more information go to <https://staugustines150.weebly.com/>

### **Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace in Ukraine**

I ask you to pray the Our Father for peace in Ukraine, now and throughout this Day.

Let us ask the Lord to grant that the country may grow in the spirit of brotherhood, and that all hurts, fears and divisions will be overcome.

We have spoken about the Holocaust. But let us think too that [in Ukraine] millions of people were killed [1932-1933].

They are a people who have suffered; they have suffered from hunger, suffered from much brutality and they deserve peace.

May the prayers and supplications that today rise up to heaven touch the minds and hearts of world leaders, so that dialogue may prevail and the common good be placed ahead of partisan interests.

Please, no more war.

**This year's Social Justice Statement, Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse**, invites us to engage with a complex and confronting social reality. It explores the roots of violence and abuse, honours the voices of victims, offers a social and theological exploration of the reality of violence, especially against women and children, and invites us to develop relationships in all parts of our lives 'marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control.' We welcome this urgent call from our Church to deepen our faith through full and frank discussion and dialogue, advocacy and action. If the content of the Statement raises issues or concerns for you, please refer to the Getting Help page in the Statement for a list of support channels, or speak to a trusted friend, your GP, your parish priest or parish pastoral worker. Access the Statement <https://bit.ly/SJS22-23>. More information: **ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace**, [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or Tel (02) 62019845. **Facebook** | [www.facebook.com/socialjusticeACBC](http://www.facebook.com/socialjusticeACBC) **Twitter** | @JusticeCatholic **Instagram** | @JusticeCatholic

**Africa Food Crisis:** Drought and conflict in the Horn of Africa have left over 18 million people facing severe hunger. Four consecutive failed rainy seasons have devastated the crops of millions across the region. We must act now and "Make Hunger History." Your generous donation means our partners in countries like Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan and Eritrea can respond quickly to support vulnerable communities during this crisis. Visit [www.caritas.org.au/food-crisis](http://www.caritas.org.au/food-crisis) or call 1800 024 413 toll free to donate now.

**Luminous: John Orval, Stained Glass Artist:** An exhibition of the work of John Orval, whose beautiful stained glass work can be seen in some of our region's churches, will be held in Hamilton from August 20 – October 30, 2022. Alongside this free exhibition, there will be an immersive bus tour to see Orval's work in Hamilton, Coleraine, Nareen and Tahara on September 30. The latest edition of "Our Diocesan Community" features an article on Orval's stained glass windows in our diocesan churches <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/odc/>. For more information on the exhibition go to <https://www.hamiltongallery.org/events/john-orval/>

**Synod on Synodality:** The Australian National Synthesis for the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, colloquially known as the Synod on Synodality, has been published. The Australian synthesis draws from the local diocesan consultations that took place between October 2021 and March 2022, after which diocesan reports were prepared. Countries around the world are producing national syntheses that will assist the Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops in its ongoing work to prepare the international gathering in Rome in October 2023. More information available at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/australian-synthesis-for-global-synod-of-bishops-published/>

**All Saints Parish Portland 175th Anniversary:** Over the weekend of August 27 & 28, 2022 celebrations will be held for the 175th anniversary of All Saints Parish Portland. All Saints Portland is the oldest parish in the Diocese of Ballarat. For more information regarding the weekend celebrations, contact the parish office by email [portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ph. 5523 1046.

Timboon 2022	21st August 9:00 a.m. Mass	28th August 9:00 a.m. Assembly W&C	4th September Closed
Welcome	L Tregia	K Currell	
Leaders		C Bullen C Marr	
Statue	G Townsend	P Haugh	
Reader	J McInerney	P Nicholson	
POF	L McInerney	E Roberts	
E.M.H.C.		K Currell	
Bulletin	G Swierczek	P Nicholson M Moloney	
Slides	A McMeel	A McMeel	
Cleaners	E O'Connor	E O'Connor	Anne McMeel
Simpson	Closed	Assembly W&C 9:00 a.m.	Mass 9:00 a.m.