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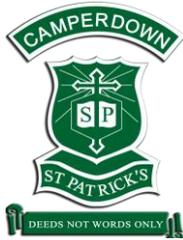
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Dear Friends, In today's gospel we see someone ask a question of Jesus: Lord, will only a few people be saved? Which Jesus considers an irrelevant question. To answer such a question is to satisfy curiosity but is not helpful to anyone. Instead, Jesus 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.



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:

Sirach 3: 17 – 20, 28 – 29; Heb

12:18– 19;22 – 24. Lk 13:7 – 14.

Saints and Feasts:

Mon- The Queenship of Blessed Virgin Mary

Tues- St Rose of Lima

Wed- St Bartholomew, Apostle.

Thu- Ss Louis ix & Joseph Calasanz

Fri- St Mariam Baouardy

Sat- St Monica

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, Teresa Gittany and Peter Karlsen.

Recent Death & Anniversaries:

We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mattie Adams, Amy O'Donohue, Ricky Robertson, Frederick Years, Anastasia Reilly, and Maureen Gstrein

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.

Welcome and congratulations:

We welcome Harry Evans child of Sarah Clissold & Dale Evans into our St. Patrick's Parish Faith Community through the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend. Congratulations!!

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 \$328.00 & Presbytery \$561.50. God bless you and keep you all safe in His Care.

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 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.

Social Justice Statement 2022-23 & Social Justice Sunday: August 28, 2022

The 2022-23 Social Justice Statement, "Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse", points out that the roots of domestic and family violence 'lie in the abuse of power to control and dominate others' and that 'this stands in contrast to the relationships to which God calls us.' The statement and the full range of resources are available at <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2022/08/02/sjs2022-23//> **SVdP Camperdown - Social Justice Sunday August 28th**. Find National Bishops' Statement, **RESPECT**. Search: social justice 2022. Else email to ofylnn@bigpond.com.

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/>

- Explanation of the theme and logo, "Listen to the Voice of Creation";
- Pope Francis' Message for the World Day of Prayer for Creation – September 1;
- Invitation to join the Season of Creation 2022;
- Liturgy notes for 1st Sunday in Season of Creation 2022 (or another of your choice);
- Homily Notes for each Sunday in the Season of Creation 2022;
- Prayers of the Faithful for use at weekend Masses during the Season of Creation 2022;
- Further resources for the Season of Creation 2022;
- Link to Season of Creation website;
- Season of Creation Celebration Guide – a 42 page resource;
- Link to *Laudato Si'* Movement website;
- Link to Global Catholic Church Preparing for the Season of Creation website – Exaudi Catholic News;
- St Columban Mission Season Catholic Season of Creation
- What does it mean to listen to the voice of creation? A YouTube message from Bishop Jose Colin Bagaforo, Bishop of Kidapawan, Philippines, as part of the launch of the Season of Creation 2022 by the Vatican's Dicastery for Human Development.

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

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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 or ph. 5523 1046.

National Online Conference for Evangelisation: October 20-22, 2022

The Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry warmly invites all Catholics to 'Evangelise', a national, online conference to be held from October 20-22, 2022. The conference will promote understanding and explore practices of evangelisation in Australia through encounters with Christ, formation in discipleship, and mission in the world. The conference will feature a range of informative and engaging presentations on topics such as liturgy, marriage and family, discipleship, formation, and prayer. Individual registration (\$25 each) and further information can be found at www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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.

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.

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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**

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

'[People] from east and west, north and south . . . will feast in the Kingdom of God.' Amongst those people, will there be Buddhists, Muslims, Hindus, atheists? The surprising answer of Catholic Christianity is: 'Yes, but always through the working of the Holy Spirit of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who can prompt the heart of *any* person *anywhere* at *any* time with divine grace so that that person strives to lead a life of compassion and justice and not harming innocent creatures.' Obviously, this work of the Holy Spirit could encompass millions if not billions of people who have never heard the Gospel.

If the slogan: 'No salvation outside the Church' is taken to mean no-one can be saved unless he/she is a baptised member of the Catholic Church then it is a heresy explicitly condemned by Popes. Nevertheless, we must pray and work for the conversion of all people so that they might have the advantage of all the aids of Word and Sacrament which we draw on as direction and strength on our journey towards the destiny which God desires for each one of us. We could pause for a moment to acknowledge the boundless mercy of God, but also praying that all peoples might share our privilege of participating in that Holy Communion which is the foretaste of the banquet prophesied by Jesus in today's Gospel.

21-August-2022 21st Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	G Gleeson	M McKenzie	Noy Family	
9 a.m. Lismore	A Bell	S Bialek		A Bignell
11am: Camperdown	M Smart	P Kingston	Russell Family	H Hickey
Counting Team: A & N Powling		Altar Camperdown: R Henry A Cunningham		
Church Cleaning: H & J Seuren		Altar Cobden: Marg Walsh		
Marian Statue: M Hickey				

28-August-2022 22nd Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	B Hammond	K Walsh	
9 a.m. Lismore	A Mahony	S Bialek		A Coutts
11am: Camperdown	P Conheady	R Henry	Cunningham Family	H Seuren
Counting Team: A & N Powling		Altar Camperdown: L Hickey M Larkins		
Church Cleaning: R Henry		Altar Cobden: Marg Walsh		
Marian Statue: J Plain				

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

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