



St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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Dear friends, In today's gospel reading we see that Jesus thanks his heavenly Father for revealing the eternal truths about God and our salvation to the 'infants', that is to say, to the humble and simple, and not to the proud and self-sufficient people. It means we are among those blessed little ones, since we believe in His beloved son Jesus and what God has revealed to us through Jesus. It is through Jesus that we come to know the nature and feature of our heavenly Father, and that speaks of the love and mercy of the Father for each of us.

Jesus is also concerned about each one of us, who has to face difficulties and suffering of various kinds. He is merciful and compassionate in His nature. He knows that we are weak and overburdened at times. So he wants to help us and be our strength and comfort. Hence, he invites us: 'Come to me all you who work hard and who carry heavy burdens and humble of heart and you will find rest'. All those who go to him with complete trust and childlike dependence will find real joy and consider it a blessing to share in the yoke of Jesus. Let us not seek anywhere else for this comfort, but in Jesus and Jesus alone. Hence, we pray to our Lord to strengthen our faith through the power of the Holy Spirit so that we may be able to put our trust in Jesus and walk humbly with him in our faith journey.
-Neville



Saints and Feasts:
Mon- St Alexander
Tues- St Benedict
Wed- Ss Louis & Azelie-Marie Guerin
Thu- St Henry
Fri- Ss Kateri & Camillus de Lellis
Sat- St Bonaventure, Bishop.

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.
(Lay Assembly – Lismore)
Next Weekend Readings:
Is 55:10-11. Rom 8:18-23
Mt 13:1-9.

Pray for the Sick:
Please remember & pray those who are sick: Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, Brian Wain, Bernd Menz, Shirley Rohan, Peter Karlsen, Catherine O'Flynn, Shirley Fletcher and Barry Brown.

Recent Deaths & Anniversaries:
We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Elaine Lucas, Michael Walsh, Barbara Kane, Charles Rantall, Lorraine Campbell, Norman Brewis, Patrick O'Connell.

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.

"Our Parish Community wishes to respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we live, work and **worship Our God.**"

Last weekend's Collection:

I would like to thank everyone for their assistance & support. Last weekend you generously gave to the Parish \$285.00 & Presbytery \$512.70. God bless you and keep you all safe in His Care.

Thank you for your generous support & care for the Parish.

Annual Collection for the Pope: This Weekend

The annual collection for the Holy Father is taken on this weekend. Collectors, please take a special collection after the Communion. Thank you.

Sea Sunday - July 9, 2023

Today is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living. Even during a pandemic, seafarers continue to bring into our ports products that sustain our population and economy. The Appeal today is for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. To assist this Catholic ministry, please send your donations to

<https://stellamarisaustralia.org/sea-sunday-appeal/>

Prayer for Sea Seafarers from Pope John Paul II

Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean, guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas that they may reach the haven of peace and light prepared in Him who calmed the sea.

As we set forth upon the oceans of the world and cross the deserts of our time, show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost.

Pray that we will never fail on life's journey, that in heart and mind, work and deed, in days of turmoil and in days of calm, we will always look to Christ and say, "Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?" Our Lady of Peace, pray for us! Bright Star of the Sea, guide us! Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for seafarers, pray for us.

Lay Led Assembly Resources: Sunday Assembly of Word and Communion resources for the Sundays 11-21 in Ordinary Time Year A 2023 have been emailed/mailed to contacts. Resource material is also available from the diocesan website members area.

Diocesan e-News

Read about news and events of the diocese in the latest edition of e-News

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/e-news/>

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly: Sunday, July 23, 2023

"His mercy is from age to age" (Lk. 1:50) is the theme chosen by the Holy Father for the third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The Day is marked near the Feast of Sts Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. Parishes, schools, agencies, aged care facilities and other ministries are encouraged to find creative ways to celebrate the contribution of older people to their families and communities. Resources to celebrate this day are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/world-day-for-grandparents-and-the-elderly-sunday-july-23-2023/>

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 a Eucharistic Life: We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and be opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters. Lord, hear us

Synod on Synodality "Instrumentum Laboris" or working document published

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

On Tuesday, June 20, 2023, the Secretariat of the Synod published the Instrumentum Laboris, or working document, for the first session of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops – commonly referred to as the Synod on Synodality. Read more at the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/for-a-synodal-church-communion-participation-and-mission/>

CatholicCare Victoria Winter Appeal

At CatholicCare Victoria we help individuals, families and communities access the care and support they need, when they need it most. We believe everyone deserves the safety and comfort a home can provide. This winter, you can support people in need of a place to call home. Donate now!

<https://www.catholiccarevic.org.au/campaign/donate/16/winter-appeal>.

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available at <https://pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship>. Closing date is August 4, 2023.

Catherine O'Connor Memorial Mass

A Memorial Mass for Catherine O'Connor (Kelly), who died at Willangie on July 27, 1923, will be offered at the Woomelang Cemetery on Saturday, July 22, 2023 followed by lunch at the Woomelang Memorial Hall. Descendants, other O'Connor and Kelly relatives, friends of the families and any who wishes to commemorate her life are welcome. Please contact aldous.julie.a@gmail.com

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Zec 9:9-10

A reading from the prophet Zechariah

See how humbly your king comes to you!

The Lord says this:

'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem! See now, your king comes to you; he is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.'

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

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14. R. v.1

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

1. I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. (R.)
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. (R.)
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. (R.)

Second Reading: Rom 8:9,11-13

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit

of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

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

Gospel Acclamation: (*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation*) See Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mt 11:25-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

I am gentle and humble of heart.

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

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

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

In the Jewish story of the creation of Adam, the author has God fashion a figure of a human being out of damp earth, and then breathes into the nostrils of this clay figure. It becomes 'Adam'. In Hebrew, the word for breath, wind or Spirit is the same, so this story tells us that we become human when the Holy Spirit is breathed into our very being.

St Paul tells the early converts in Rome, those recently baptised, and therefore tells us who are baptised: 'The Spirit of God has made his home in you.'

Since your baptism, the Holy Spirit, the Breath of God, dwells in you in a special way. Baptism re-creates us, sharing in the life of the true Adam. We could pause for a moment to pray: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle *in* them the fire of your love.

09-July-2023 14th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	T Bricknell	G Kelson	J Hammond
11am: Camperdown	M Macaulay	M Saunders	G Lucas
Counting Team: P & L Hickey		Altar Camperdown: D Daffy	
Church Cleaning: MRC		Altar Cobden: Kate Daffy	
Marian Statue: R & M Larkins			

16-July-2023 15th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	St Pat's School	St Pat's School	St Pat's School
11am: Camperdown	St Pat's School	St Pat's School	St Pat's School
Counting Team: M & K McKenzie		Altar Camperdown: S Swayn G Lucas	
Church Cleaning: N Powling		Altar Cobden: Kate Daffy	
Marian Statue: M Macauley			

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