



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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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)

Reading for the next Sunday

1st Reading: Acts 3:13 – 19

2nd Reading: 1 John 2:1-5

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

Dear Friends, The disciples still remained skeptical even after the risen Lord appeared to them a few times and showed them his hands and his feet as proof his resurrection. This time, to be more precise he asks for something to eat. Here, Jesus opens their minds and hearts to understand what the scriptures say about his suffering, death and resurrection. He declares them as his witnesses who will call people to repent and accept God's forgiveness.

At the Eucharistic celebration, we gather around the Lord's table. We share the meal where we clearly experience the presence of the risen Lord, who draws us together as a community and draws us closer to God. The risen Jesus nourishes with the word of God, and with his body and blood. We are fed and nourished, our eyes are opened, and we begin to understand how we are called to invite people to repent and accept God's salvation. The Eucharist is our spiritual meal and also a foretaste for us of the ultimate Messianic banquet in heaven. Until then, we as followers of Christ, we witness to the Lord's presence by proclaiming his Good News and sharing the Eucharistic meal. We are to the messengers of Christ to the world which is full of evil.
Neville



Saints and Feasts:

- Mon- St Paternus of Wales
- Tues- St Bernadette Soubirous
- Wed- St James of Cerqueto
- Thu- St Apollonius
- Fri- St Crescentius
- Sat- St Marian

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember and pray those who are sick: Kristen Pickford, Peter Karlson, and Helen Watts. (the names here will only appear for a month unless by notice)

Recent Deaths & Anniversaries:

We pray for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Catherine Place, Kevin Osborne, Damian Burke, Gerard Roache, Dorothy Hill, Sylvia Moran. (The names won't appear automatically Unless by notice)

Parish Notices

All notices need to be delivered in writing, emailed, or phoned into the Parish Office by noon Thursday.
George Swierczek: 0439 145 805

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.

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

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ministers of the Word Online Training

Programs: The ACU Centre for Liturgy, which is endorsed by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, offers online training programs for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ministers of the Word. The next Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion program will begin on April 9 and Ministers of the Word program will begin on June 4. Both programs will be available again at various times throughout the year. For registration details and more information go to <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/institutes-academies-and-centres/acu-centre-for-liturgy/pastoral-training>

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 the role of women: Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognised in every culture and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world. Lord, hear us

150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat – updated notice

- We are celebrating the whole of 2024 as an anniversary year. Bishop Paul has invited parishes to acknowledge the 150th anniversary at Masses on the weekend of April 27-28, 2024. He invites schools to mark the anniversary during the week of April 29 to May 3, coinciding with Catholic Education Week which was brought forward for the occasion. Bishop Paul encourages each parish and each school to acknowledge their own history in the context of the 150 years of the history of the diocese. Local communities are coming up with creative ways of telling their local story as part of the diocesan story. Parishes are encouraged to host a community gathering on the weekend of April 27-28, perhaps tea, coffee and cake after Mass or a meal shared together. Funds are available from the Ballarat Diocesan Foundation to support such gatherings. Please contact Jane Collins (jane.collins@ballarat.catholic.org.au) for further information.
- Bishop Paul is commemorating the anniversary year with a personal visit to each parish and looks forward to celebrating with as many local communities as possible throughout the year.
- There are resources available to celebrate Sunday Masses on the weekend of April 27-28 which include the Introductory Rite and Prayer of the Faithful. Homily notes provided by Bishop Paul will be available next week. We encourage you to pray the Anniversary Prayer at these Masses. You may also use the songs composed for the 150th anniversary by Roger Hillman, Fr Andrew Hayes and Gerry Vytilingam. There are three songs available: Together We Build Our Place, Rain in the Mallee and Humble Service.
- Resources, prayer and songs are available at: <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/150th-anniversary-of-the-diocese-of-ballarat/>

Diocesan History Timeline

As part of the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat, a timeline of significant dates and events over the past 150 years has been published on the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/history-2/>

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: [Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19](#)

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A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

You have killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

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

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7](#)

(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.

1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)
2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)
3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say.
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)
4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

Second Reading: [1 John 2:1-5](#)

A reading from the first letter of St John

Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

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

Gospel Acclamation: *(Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation)* [See Luke 24:32](#)

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

Gospel: [Luke 24:35-48](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at

my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

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

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

When Jesus appeared to them, the disciples thought they were seeing a ghost, a sort of projection of a human image on the screen of the world but with no human depth and vitality. In fact, ghosts seem to drain life and warmth from those they encounter.

The disciples became convinced that they were in the presence of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ when he assumed a characteristic way of acting – sharing a companionable meal (of fish).

His bodily presence of *that* sort is now withdrawn from us. But we are now encountered by him in the Mass which has many dimensions, one of which is that of a sacred meal. When we share in the sacramental signs of his Real Presence in the Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink of Holy Communion, he brings us the life and warmth of the Risen Son.

In fact, he shares his very life with us, and because his life is gloriously fully human, we become less ghost-like as he heals those parts of our personality which drain goodness and vitality from the world. We could take a moment to pray to take greater opportunities to share in the Real Presence of Our Risen Lord under the appearance of bread and wine. This will move us from the illusion of being alive to that vitality which is nourished by his glorified humanity.

14-April-2024 3rd Sunday Easter	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	G Gleeson	A Horan	N/A
11am: Camperdown	R Henry	C McCarthy	J Saunders
Counting Team: P & A Burke		Altar Camperdown: C McCarthy	
Church Cleaning: Robert L		Altar Cobden: A Scott	
Marian Statue: J Larkins			

21-April-2024 4th Sunday Easter	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	K Daffy	B Hammond	N/A
11am: Camperdown	C McCarthy	A O'Flynn	M Macauley
Counting Team: G & W Gleeson		Altar Camperdown: L Hickey/M Larkins	
Church Cleaning: MRC		Altar Cobden: A Scott	
Marian Statue: P & L Hickey			

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