

# ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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St. Patrick's Church Camperdown



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## **Weekend Mass Times**

Saturday: 6.30pm -Cobden Sunday: 9am 1st Sun.-Simpson (except winter,then Timboon)

9am 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> **Sun**. Lismore 9am 3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> **Sun**. Timboon (Lay-led assembly will be held on the other weekends) Sun: 11am Camperdown

#### **Next Weekend Masses:**

Saturday 6.30 pm – Cobden Sunday 9.00 am Lismore 11.00 am Camperdown (Lay Assembly - Timboon, Simpson)

**Readings for next Sunday** 

1st Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6 Gospel: John 6:1-15

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

In the Temple precinct in Jerusalem there was a stone barrier separating the inner area into which only Jewish people could enter. A non-Jew would cross the barrier under pain of death. This is the 'dividing wall of enmity' to which St Paul refers, and which has been torn down by Jesus Christ in whom a new humanity is being created where discrimination or segregation is to have no place.

It is to the great shame of the Catholic Church that it collaborated in putting the Jewish people behind dividing walls of enmity in the ghettoes of Europe. It is to the great credit of St John Paul II that much of this enmity was overcome, symbolised when he pressed a prayer into a cleft between stones of the Wailing Wall of the Old Temple.

Every week we come to Mass in response to Our Lord's invitation in today's gospel: 'Come away and rest a while.' Our Lord is saying 'Come away by yourselves so that I can nourish you with Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink which is my Holy Communion with you.'

Yes, we do that as a moment celebrating our distinctive identity, but always as a prelude to the great task. We are to go out and break down the various 'dividing walls of enmity': racism, caste and class, historical grievances, sexist subjugation.

We could take a moment to pray that we imitate St John Paul II in pressing our prayers and actions into whatever opportunities present themselves so as to break down dividing walls of enmity within our families, local communities and even around the world.

Please consider making your Planned 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.



## **Saints and Feasts:**

Mon- St Mary Magdalene Tues- St Bridget of Sweden Wed- St Sharbel Makhlouf Thu- St James Fri- Sts Joachim and Anne Sat- St t Titus Brandsma Sun- Bld Stanley Rother

### **Pray for the Sick:**

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

**Anniversaries:** We pray for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Maree Hutt, Ellen Anderson. John Walsh, Mary Canavan, Margaret Timms, Valerie Newling, Adriana Duynhoven, Patricia Murray, Pat McLeod (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

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"Our Parish Community wishes to respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we live, work and worship Our God."
Sea Sunday: July 21 & 28, 2024



This week we celebrate 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/

# 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat - Formation



In preparation for the Diocesan Assembly in November 2024, there will be formation sessions held around the diocese with a focus on leadership and governance. In 2023, Bishop Paul asked parishes to focus on leadership in their local

communities, either by forming or developing further a parish council or leadership team according to local circumstances. The Diocesan Assembly will bring together clergy, representatives of the leadership teams in parishes, schools and Catholic organisations to consider how we might develop leadership and governance in our communities in the future. The formation opportunity is for Clergy in parishes, Parish Leadership Team/Parish Councils, School Leadership Teams/School Advisory Councils, Catholic Organisations Leaders. An invitation is also extended to people who have leadership potential and who would like to participate. Leadership teams are invited to nominate others who might benefit from this experience. Dates are: Horsham - July 28 – 10.30am – 4.00pm – Ss Michael & Johns Church, Horsham; Colac – July 30 – 10.00am – 3.00pm – St Mary's Parish, Colac; Ballarat - August 4 – 10.30am – 4.00pm – Ss Peter and Paul Church, Buninyong; Ballarat – August 13 – 5.00pm – 8.30pm – Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Wendouree; Warrnambool - August 25 – 10.30am – 4.00pm – St Joseph's Church, Warrnambool.

## Fourth World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly - Sunday, July 28, 2024



Resources are available from the diocesan website for the celebration of the Fourth World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, to be held on Sunday, July 28, 2024 <a href="https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/world-day-for-grandparents-and-the-elderly-sunday-july-28-2024/">https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/world-day-for-grandparents-and-the-elderly-sunday-july-28-2024/</a>. Included in the resources on the website are Pope Francis' message, a resource kit and a copy of the prayer.

# <u> Liturgy Formation at East Wimmera Parish – Sunday, August 18, 2024</u>

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is hosting a Liturgy Formation Session at St Mary's Church, Donald on Sunday, August 18, 2024. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass at 10.30am with the formation program beginning at 12.30pm on the topics of Formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Formation for Lectors. All welcome to

attend. Registrations are now open - scan or click on the QR code or go to the diocesan website to register <a href="https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pnews/liturgy-formation-at-donald-sunday-august-18-2024/">https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pnews/liturgy-formation-at-donald-sunday-august-18-2024/</a>

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6 A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The remnant of the flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

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'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

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

# **Responsorial Psalm:**

Ps 22. R. v.2

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

- 1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)
- He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.
   If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.
   You are there with your crook and your staff, with these you give me comfort. (R.)
- 3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. (R.)
- 4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. (R.)

## Second Reading:

Ephesians 2:13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Christ, our peace, has made us one.

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**: (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation)

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

# Gospel:

Mark 6:30-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

They were as sheep without a shepherd.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

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

## **REFLECTION** by Dianne Bergant

Jesus chose disciples to continue his work; he instructed them and empowered them. He sent them out on a mission, and they returned. People followed them, because they wanted to hear what Jesus and the disciples had to say; they wanted to be released from the sickness and the demons that possessed them.

There are so many searching people in the world today, people hungering for instruction, good people looking for direction. They may be parents who are sick with grief over the future of a troubled child; a man stripped of his dignity through unemployment; a woman facing a pregnancy alone; elderly people feeling the surge of life leave their declining bodies; people who are angry and confused because they believe that the church is no longer dependable. They are people who are looking for answers and for meaning. They are like sheep without a shepherd, and Jesus looks to us to shepherd them.

In the midst of this confusion, there are reliable shepherds who walk with us in the dark valleys. They are willing to share the dangers through which we pass, even at the risk of their own safety. They do not pit one segment of the community or one theological perspective against another, scattering the sheep and driving them away. Instead, they work to dismantle the walls that divide us. They speak the word that gathers us together. They reconcile us with God and with each other. They may not give us easy answers, but their primary concern is to lead us to Jesus, the one who is our peace.

21-July-2024 16th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	G Gleeson	G Kelson	G Gleeson
11am: Camperdown	J Gardner	J Seuren	R Henry
Counting Team: R Henry		Altar Camperdown: S Swayn G Lucas	
Church Cleaning: P & L Hickey		Altar Cobden: K Daffy	
Marian Statue: B Hewitt			

28 July-2024 17th Sunday O.T.	Reader	P.O.F.	E/Minister
6.30pm: Cobden	St Pats	St Pats	St Pats
11am: Camperdown	St Pats	St Pats	St Pats
Counting Team: A & N Powling		Altar Camperdown: M Russell A Gardner	
Church Cleaning: MRC		Altar Cobden: K Daffy	
Marian Statue: F & C Conheady			

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