



St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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Dear Friends,

In the gospel we see that the Pharisees were the popular teachers of God's Law in Jesus' time and that they have no love for the Herodians; they have no reason to collaborate with the Herodians. But in the gospel we see that due to their envy of Jesus' growing popularity makes them join hands with the Herodians to entrap Jesus on the question of paying taxes. A "yes" from Jesus will favour the Herodians but will antagonize the people, and they could brand Jesus a 'collaborator of the Romans'. A "no" on the other hand, will make Jesus a rebel in the eyes of the Roman authorities who are governing Jerusalem. Jesus has no escape. Jesus' sharp answer is right on target: 'Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God'.

The Pharisees can unite in malice with the Herodians to trap Jesus - they are far from giving God His due with an honest heart. Why should they sacrifice their social principles just to put down Jesus? Jesus works for the interest of God solely, which the Pharisees even acknowledged in their introduction.

So like Jesus we Christians have the same responsibility to honour and do the will of God. We have a mission to witness Jesus in our life. Therefore, let us take our baptismal call seriously and keep our faith alive and active by witnessing Jesus in our day-to-day life.....Neville.



Weekend Mass Times (N/A)

Saturday: 6.30pm Cobden

Sunday: 9am 1st Sun. Simpson

9am 2nd Sun. Lismore

9am 3rd/5th Sun. Timboon

9am 4th Sun. Derrinallum

(Lay led assembly will be held on the other weekends)

Every Sunday: 10.30 am

Camperdown.

(due to this emergency state)

Saints and Feasts:

Mon – St Paul of the Cross

Tues –St Irene

Wed – St Laura Montoya Upegui

Thurs – St John Paul II Pope

Fri – St John of Capistrano

Sat – St Anthony Claret, Bishop

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are in ill health: Fr Denis Dennehy, Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, John O'Brien, Brian Wain.

Anniversaries of Deaths

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Lorraine Vaughan, Thomas Shiells, Margaret Turner, Eileen Carr, Catherine Robertson, Maisie O'Sullivan, Annie Eyars and Timothy Sheahan.

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 (Collection). Thank you

A Prayer in This Time of Distress: O God, healer of all our ills, to whom we turn in his time of distress, grant, we pray in the power of faith, eternal rest to the dead and comfort to those who mourn, health to the sick and peace to the dying, strength to medical workers, wisdom to our leaders and a spirit of kindness to us all. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your son who lives and Reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit. one God. for ever and ever. Amen.

MASS TIMES:

Sunday: Camperdown at 10:30am (Live Stream)

Only Sunday Mass can be viewed on YouTube at 10.30 am.

Please Search: St. Patrick Church Camperdown on YouTube.

Or enter the link below into your web browser:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1c1zEq4cD-J1ayzRTSbTcw>

As an alternative you can also visit: <https://www.youtube.com>, enter **St Patricks Camperdown channel** and it will take you to our page.

Apology: We really apologize to all of our parishioners for the interruption of our last Sunday live stream Mass. Hopefully we would be able to stream this weekend without any issues, for our Primary school is celebrating the Parish School Mass. Thank you to the School for helping us this weekend.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has issued information regarding gatherings in places of worship now that restrictions have eased in regional Victoria. All updates are on the diocesan website "news" section

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Mercy Regional College Annual Car Raffle: Tickets Still only \$10. Drawn on 30th November. You could purchase your tickets online at www.cutt.ly/mrc-2020 for more information at www.mercy.vic.edu.au Thank you. More information please contact Rose Henry Mobile: 0407 875 886.

Call for Readers: If you would like to participate in the Mass streamed on Sundays as a reader, please contact the presbytery on 03 5593 1284 to leave your details. Thank you: Peter Conheady for being our reader during last week's streamed Mass.

e-News

The Diocesan e-News is the online newsletter of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat. It is supported by the print publication "Our Diocesan Community" and the Diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au. Diocesan e-News is published every two weeks and distributed via email. It is available to all members and those associated with the diocese and to those with an interest in the life of the diocese. We encourage you to subscribe to e-News so you can receive updates and information about the life and activity of the parishes, schools and agencies of the diocese. To subscribe please go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au, click News & Events in the menu at the top, then e-News and register for the diocesan e-News by the subscribe box.

Our Diocesan Community – Issue 3, 2020

Planning for the third issue of Our Diocesan Community (ODC) 2020 is underway and we invite your contributions. We will continue the 2020 theme of *Plenary Council 2020 / Ecology & Sustainability*. We are hoping to gather stories and experiences in the Catholic community – schools, parishes and agencies from all around the diocese. Given the recent COVID-19 restrictions, there have been many new and exciting initiatives developed to continue our connections with each other and we believe it is important to share these experiences with those in our diocesan community.

The timeline for issue 3 has been changed and we hope to have this issue delivered in the week beginning **November 16 so the latest date for submissions to this issue is Friday, October 23**. Articles should be approximately 250 words maximum in length and accompanied by photos where possible. Photos should be sent as separate JPEG files (NOT inserted into a Word document). Material can be sent to odc@ballarat.catholic.org.au.

A reminder that when sending in photos, permission should be sought from those in the pictures. From time-to-time, these photos will also be used in other diocesan publications.

Issue 2 is ready for delivery to schools and parishes. We hope distribution will commence soon, as we rely on the staff of the diocesan offices and Catholic Education Office for delivery.

Jane & Julie for the ODC Editorial Committee

Catholic Mission October Annual Appeal

The month of October, known as Mission Month across Australia, provides for us an opportunity to consider again the many ways in which we engage with others in the spirit of mission. World Mission Sunday is an opportunity for us to engage with this world, feel connected to it, and contribute to its life and vitality. Parish Resources will soon be on their way by mail and will include some Appeal envelopes. Your support is greatly appreciated, particularly at these most challenging times. You will not receive the normal amount of envelopes because of COVID-19 restrictions, however if you wish to receive more (we may be in a different

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situation in a few weeks hopefully) please do not hesitate to contact Sue Searls 0403 902 921 or email ballarat.director@catholicmission.org.au Thank you in anticipation.

October 18 is Mission Sunday - The joy of the Lord is our Strength! Nehemiah 8:10

World Mission Sunday will be celebrated on October 18 - a special day, called by Pope Francis, when we are called to pray and offer material support to the work of mission around the world. This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope and practical support to live a fulfilling life. You can support by placing your donation in the appeal envelopes, online at www.catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia or by texting GIVE to 0488 854 436. Thank you for your prayerful support and generosity.

'Walking with Wisdom' Contemplative Sessions (via Zoom) – Thursdays, 10am-12.30pm (AEST) on 8, 15, 22 & 29 October 2020. We invite you to join us for a series of contemplative sessions with Carole Carmody rsm and Marlene McGrath, providing opportunities for Deep Listening: to oneself at this unique time in our lives; to Divine Wisdom in the Heart, and in the Hearts of Others; and to engage in a gentle, creative response. Join for one or all sessions. \$85 for the Series or \$25 per session. Bookings at www.trybooking.com/BLILH. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, tel 03 9890 1101, www.heartoflife.melbourne

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Bishop's Office

In line with government directives aimed at slowing the spread of the coronavirus and safety measures being undertaken throughout our communities, please note the Bishop's office will remain closed to visitors until further notice. Staff are still working to continue supporting our clergy, parish and office staff and communities through these challenging times, and continue being available via email or phone. Contact details until further notice: bishopsoffice@ballarat.catholic.org.au, ph. 03 5337 7121, djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au, vicargeneral@ballarat.catholic.org.au, michael.myers@ballarat.catholic.org.au. The Pastoral Ministry Office pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Plenary Council Discernment Papers

The six discernment papers have been released and are available to be read. The National Plenary Facilitation Team will soon release resources to assist parishes and communities to explore each of the papers. Here in the diocese, we will endeavour to look at one paper for a month. Read the discernment paper at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/PC2020-thematic-papers-2.pdf>. Visit the [Inclusive, Participatory & Synodal theme's page at https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/inclusive/](https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/inclusive/).

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading (1/2SP & Grace)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (*Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 (JB)*)

I have taken the hand of Cyrus to subdue nations before his countenance.

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me.

Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun, that apart from me, all is nothing.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm (1/2J - Elaine, Maisie, Marli, Bailey)

Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10 (JB)

The Response is. Give the Lord glory and honour.

Give the Lord glory and honour.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples.

Response: Give the Lord glory and honour.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught. It was the Lord who made the heavens.

Response: Give the Lord glory and honour.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. Bring an offering and enter his courts.

Response: Give the Lord glory and honour.

Worship the Lord in his temple,
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king,'
He will judge the peoples in fairness.

Response: Give the Lord glory and honour.

Second Reading (1/2S & Charlotte)

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 (JB)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

We are mindful of your faith, hope, and love.

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) Phil 2:15. 16

Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Mt 22:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Give to Caesar the things that belong to Caesar and to God the things that are God's.

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied.

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

He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Jesus first cleverly throws his questioners on the defensive. *They* are the ones carrying the coinage, not him. Then he poses the crucial question, 'Whose image is it and whose inscription?' They said to him, 'Caesar's'. Then he said to them: 'Render to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's.'

The coin bore the image and inscription of Caesar. Genesis teaches us that human beings are made in the image and likeness of God. Our Lord is saying, 'Let the political and financial authorities have their coinage. It is their legal tender. But they cannot have human beings. Human beings belong to Another. They belong to God.'

We are fortunate to live in a wonderful democracy. But even a democracy can violate the dignity of a human being created in the image and likeness of God. As Pope John Paul II said: 'Authentic democracy is possible only in a state ruled by law, *and on the basis of a correct conception of the human person.*' (Italics added)

We could pause for a moment to thank God for the inscription, 'Child of God', effectively engraved on our hearts by baptism.

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