



Parish of Timboon  
 St Joseph's Timboon & St Andrew's Simpson  
 Parish Priest: Fr. Neville Stanislaus  
 Visiting Priest: Fr. Peter Murnane  
 Parish Secretary: George Swierczek 0439 145 805  
 Office and Presbytery:  
 31 Hamilton Street. PO Box 62, Timboon 3268  
 Phone: 5598 3193 Mobile: 0439 145 805  
 e-mail: timboon@ballarat.catholic.org.au



**HAPPY  
 MOTHER'S DAY  
 on the 14th May**

**Dear Friends,**

My name is Neville Stanislaus and originally came from the Northern Province of Ceylon (Sri Lanka). It is a Peninsula and the city is called Jaffna. I joined the seminary after year 12 and had my ordination in 1990 at St. Mary's Cathedral, Jaffna. After serving the Jaffna diocese for 12 years, I was sent to Australia in 2002 to do my priestly ministry in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. In 2008 when I completed my term in the Archdiocese of Melbourne, I decided not to get back to my country. In the meantime Bishop Peter Connors welcomed me into the diocese of Ballarat and sent me as a supply priest to Camperdown Parish while Fr. Denis Dennehey was on sick leave.

In 2009, the year I first came to this diocese, I was not sure about my future, whether to go to Canada, where my family is, or to stay here where my friends are. Finally I decided to stay in the diocese with my friends. You know those 7 years in the diocese, gave me enough time to reflect and prepare myself for the ministry. I can only say I am ready and with your support I am going to have an enjoyable and fruitful ministry in this new parish.

Thank you for welcoming me into your Parish and May the good Lord bless you and keep you in His care all the years to come.

Neville

We are privileged to welcome **Father Neville Stanislaus** to our parish - our hopes and prayers for our future as he begins his tenure.

**New Parish Pastoral Council** The process of discerning members for the new Parish Pastoral Council is underway, and the outcomes will be known shortly. The Parish Pastoral Council advises and consults with the Parish Priest, particularly about planning and the pastoral aspects of parish life. The Parish Finance Committee is continuing as a slightly smaller group. Its role is to oversee the finances and work with and advise the Parish Priest. Many thanks to all members of the Finance Committee, particularly those who recently completed their term as a member. And thank you to all parishioners who continue to work in parish ministries and as part of ministry teams, enabling the life of the parish and its worshipping communities to continue.

This year, **2017, is the Centenary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima**. on May 13th. 2013, Pope Francis consecrated his pontificate to Our Lady of Fatima. On May 13th this year, he will be present at the Fatima Shrine on the Feast of our Lady of Fatima to participate, on behalf of the whole Church, in this remarkable centenary.

**Our Sick:** Bailey Delaney, Andrew Cook, Frank Vogels, Tania Vogels, Xavier Reicha, Anne Dodd, Noreen O'Connor, Fletcher Densley.

**May Anniversaries:** Shirley Freeman, John Gaut, William Delahenty, Carolina Gagel, John Evans, John Conheady, Patrick Hession, Park Kennedy, Peter Vu, Harry Gatens, Merle Ludeman, Elsie O'Donnell, Fr Barry Stickland, Cath Howman

**Recently Deceased:** Our condolences to the Heyden family for their recent loss.



**Contacting the Parish and Priest** Please contact the Timboon Parish Secretary George Swierczek preferably on 0439 145 805, as needed. You can leave a message if you get the office answer machine - both phones are regularly checked and George will follow up the matter. He will make contact as needed with Fr Neville Stanislaus (Parish Priest) or Fr Peter Murnane (Visiting Priest, residing at Timboon.)  
 Contact details: Parish Secretary George Swierczek 0439 145 805 or 5598 3193 (Parish Office) or email: timboon@ballarat.catholic.org.au

**Congratulations** to the parents who prepared their children for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the end of April. It was lovely to see the children chatting happily during supper. Thank you Fr. Peter and Marlene for your support. Confirmation and First Eucharist will be held during 2018 on a date yet to be decided...Ruth Hoffmann.

**Sr Margaret Houlihan rsm Memorial Mass** St Colman's Parish Mortlake on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 5.30 pm in St Colman's Church. A light tea will follow. All parishioners and the wider community are welcome to attend.

<b>Simpson</b>	<b>14th May 9:00 am Assembly W &amp; C</b>	<b>21st May Mass 9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>28th May 9:00 a.m. Assembly W &amp; C</b>
Statue	J Wetemans	F & B Wouters	G Swierczek
<b>Timboon</b>	<b>13th May 6pm Assembly W &amp; C</b>	<b>21st May Mass 10:45 a.m.</b>	<b>27th May 6:00 pm Assembly W &amp; C</b>
Welcome	K Currell	P Martin	A McMeel
Leaders	T O'Connor M van Nieuwkerk		R Hoffmann A Vogels
Statue	K Currell	C & P Martin	S Nguyen
Reader	A Vogels	N McKinnon	K Currell
P.O.F.	C Marr	E O'Connor	T O'Connor
Gifts		A & R Hoffmann	
M of C	M Leske	G Delaney M van Nieuwkerk	A McMeel
Church Cleaning	A McMeel	A McMeel	A McMeel
Bulletin	C Marr A McMeel	C Marr A McMeel	C Marr A McMeel
Slides	P Nicholson	P Nicholson	P Nicholson