



Parish of Timboon

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Dear Friends:

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, given to us to be our food and drink for our spiritual life. The gospel reading about the multiplication of the bread and fish already foreshadows the gift of the Eucharist, the body and blood of Christ. Jesus first speaks to the crowd, then feeds them with bread and fish. It is the same in the celebration of the Eucharist: Jesus speaks to us through the readings and gives us himself in the form of a bread. That same Jesus comes to us in his word and the Eucharistic bread. Jesus associates his disciples in the distribution of the food to the crowd. Today he wants the members of the church to be associated with him in bringing his body and blood to the people as their nourishment for eternal life.

So Jesus will provide the food, the Eucharist, but he wants us as the members of his body to help bring the Eucharist to people and the people to the Eucharist. The Lord takes the little that we offer to Him, that is like the five loaves and two fish, and he satisfies the cry of the people. Thinking of the countries that are facing awful problems of poverty and hunger, we might feel that anything we do has little or no value. But Jesus did not turn his back on the five loaves and two fish. He sees our determination to do whatever we can to help. He takes our simple offerings and uses these to provide for more than we could ever imagine. So, let us ask the Lord to give us the heart and mind of Jesus to love and care for the people who need our affection. - Neville



Plenary Council – National Themes for Discernment Announced

The six National Themes for Discernment invite people to reflect, to pray and to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is:

- Missionary and Evangelising
- Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal
- Prayerful and Eucharistic
- Humble, Healing and Merciful
- A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community

Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform. The discernment process will involve establishing working groups for each National Theme for Discernment. People in faith communities across Australia will also be called to participate locally in their own communal *Listening and Discernment* encounters. The outcomes of what is discerned during this time will shape the agenda for the first session of Plenary Council in October 2020. For more information go to www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Our Sick:

Bailey Delaney, Xavier Reicha, Fletcher Densley, Maria Nguyen, Rylie Hutchinson

June Anniversaries: Tony Tregea, Kevin Hession, Glad Scanlon, Pat Dundon, Monica Fanning, Brian Maslin, Brian Freeman, Jan (John) Vogels, Marjorie Martin



PRAYER REQUESTS

Diocesan Vision Consultation

Bishop Paul, through the Bishop's Advisory Council, has initiated a consultation process with the people of the diocese regarding developing a Diocesan Vision for now and the coming years. A letter from the Bishop and information about the consultation process has been sent to parishes. The information is now on the diocesan website and included with this email. The consultation process is open until July 15 and parish and diocesan groups and others are encouraged to participate.

Feast of Sacred Heart — June 28th 2019

Litany of Sacred Heart held at St Andrew's Simpson on 28th at **11.40am** including Divine Mercy prayers and Adoration. The program will run approximately 40 mins. Soup and sandwiches to follow at 880 Buck's Rd Simpson. For further information, contact Joanne Robertson. **All Welcome**.

Weekend Mass Times

Sunday: 9am **1st Sun.** Simpson
 9am **3rd/5th Sun.** Timboon
 8.35 am Rosary Timboon.
 Assembly of "Word and Communion" other week ends

Diocese of Ballarat:
www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Timboon 2019	June 23rd 10:00am Assembly W&C	June30th Mass 9am	July 7th
Welcome	F Evans	N McKinnon	
Leaders	J McInerney M van Nieuwkerk		
Statue	B Moloney	T & E O'Connor	
Reader	C Martin	P Nicholson	
P.O.F.	L McInerney	A Vogels	
Gifts		S Berry L Tregea	
M of C	P Martin	E Roberts C Bullen	
Church Cleaning	K Currell K Delaney	K Currell K Delaney	C. Bullen
Bulletin	C Marr A McMeel	C Marr A McMeel	M. Moloney P. Nicholson
Slides	K Currell	K Currell	A. McMeel
Simpson	9:00 am Assembly W & C		9:00 am Mass
Statue	A & J O'Connor		N. O'Connor