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

Sacrament of Confirmation and Eucharist July 29th Timboon 9:00am
 Lachlan Douglas, Josh Foster, Tom Ryan, Zac Smith



Dear Friends,
 The gospel describes the birth of John the Baptist. Zechariah became dumb for doubting the Angel's word that his wife would bear a son. When the family came to the point of naming the child, they made signs and asked his father what he wished him to be called. He asked for a tablet and he wrote, "John is his name"; immediately his mouth is opened his tongue is freed and he speaks to bless and praise God. The name John means, "Yahweh is gracious" or "Yahweh has shown favour" so John is God's gift to Zechariah and Elizabeth in their old age. He is a gift to the whole world as he will prepare people to know, recognize and accept the awaited Messiah.

The neighbours of Zechariah and Elizabeth are amazed at what they witness and they wonder what the child will be, seeing that the hand of the Lord is with him. Indeed, God's hand is with John, because God has chosen for an important mission. God guides him and gives him the necessary courage and determination to play his role in God's plan of salvation.

In our lives too God sends people to assist us. They are our guides, model and protectors. As God's gifts, they are our 'John the Baptists'. Through them we can feel God's hand leading us to Him, blessing us and protecting us from all evil. Whenever we are down, hurting or broken, God touches, helps and heals us through his messengers. Through them we could feel that God is alive and with us. So let us ask the Lord to give us his grace and power so that we may be His messengers to the people who are living around us.

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

There will be a leaving collection today for this appeal Please give to this important appeal.

"A Pope who is not afraid of open discussion and even dissent in the Church" by Fr Noel Connolly SSC, Plenary Council Facilitation Team.

Pope Francis is an unusual Pope who is bringing real change to the Church by encouraging open discussion and refusing to silence dissent. In fact, he has said, "Open and fraternal debate makes theological and pastoral thought grow.... That doesn't frighten me. What's more, I look for it." Many people would like to see him clarify matters and crack down on dissent, but Francis is patient and wants people to speak their minds because he believes in a synodal Church. He trusts that the Holy Spirit will guide us in the right direction. The full account is on the website— www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



Because of Her, We can!

2018 National Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander Sunday 1 July. This celebrates the contribution to Australian Catholic life.

For more information visit www.natsicc.org.au

Broken Bay Institute's e-Conference,

Will take place on Wednesday, August 8. Pat Nicholson will facilitate this e-Conference here in the church in Timboon from 10.00 am till 3.00 pm. If you live in the area try to come to this e-Conference. Bring your own lunch. Flyer in the back of church.

Weekend Mass Times

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 other weekends)
Sunday: 11 am Camperdown.
Weekday Mass Times
 Wednesday: 9am Cobden
 (2nd Wed. 10.30 Lovely Banks)

Liturgy Formation 2018

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions this year:

Hamilton – Sunday, July 29.

Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass at 10.30am with the formation program beginning at 12.00noon. Lunch will be supplied by the parish at 1.00pm.

Chose two of the tree topics– Prayerful Engagement with Scripture in the Liturgy, Launch of the Guidelines for the Use of Visual Display SYSTEMS in Liturgical Celebrations and RCIA

The flyer and registration form is available in church foyers. Registration is also available via the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Timboon	June 24th Ass of W & C 10am	July 1st Closed	July 8th Ass of W & C 10am
Welcome	P Martin		F Evans
Leaders	T O'Connor		P Martin & C Marr
Statue	T O'Connor	D & M Moloney	G & M Townsend
Reader	J McInerney		L McInerney
P.O.F.	R Hoffmann		K Currell
Gifts			
M of C	K Currell		E Roberts
Church Cleaning	K Currell K Delaney	C Bullen B Moloney	C Bullen B Moloney
Bulletin	P Nicholson M Moloney	Denny Family	Denny Family
Slides	P Nicholson	A McMeel	A McMeel
Simpson	Ass of W & C 9am	Mass	Ass of W & C 9am
Statue	N & E Weel	P & J de Jong	A & J O'Connor