

Parish of Timboon

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The Good Type of Pain

I know a young man who gave up smoking pot. It was hard because it was part of his daily routine. He smoked when he was sad. He smoked to celebrate. He smoked to fight boredom. In some ways pot became part of him. So when he gave it up, it felt like cutting off part of his body. But after breaking free, he realised how much more alive he felt and how much stronger his friendships became.

Jesus knows what he's talking about in this week's Gospel.

Sure, his advice sounds pretty extreme. But his point is right on. Sin can become routine. A sinful habit can become so normal, so much a part of us, that we can't imagine life without it and can't see how it hurts us or others.

That goes for any sinful habit: alcohol or drug abuse, selfishness, dishonesty, prejudice ... the list can go on.

The lesson from this week's Gospel is this: We have to break some habits, even though that can hurt, because they keep us from the life God promised us. Our lives can be wasted if we aren't willing to make tough choices and let go of some things we think we need that conflict with the Gospel.

Where do you start? Look at how you live daily. How do you party, date, study, treat family and friends, spend money? When you take a hard look, do you see any habits that conflict with the Gospel? If you're not sure, ask a friend, parent, teacher, pastor, or someone who will be honest with you. If you find a sinful habit, then ask for God's strength to "cut it off." It will be hard at first. But you'll be thankful in the long run.

What habits that are or could be sinful have you broken or do you need to break?

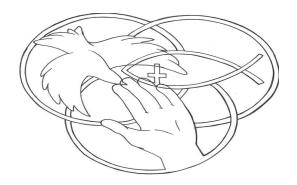
Social Justice Statement 2018–2019 "A Place to Call Home " Justice Sunday—September 30th

Making A Home for Everyone

For Pope Francis, the way to help the poor is not just through personal assistance. There is a vital role and urgent need for the State, business and civil society, including the Church, to address the structural causes of homelessness and to ensure adequate levels of support for the many thousands of citizens who are homeless or at risk of becoming so.

It's time for us all to see the complex reality of homelessness, to judge the situation from the perspective of the person in the street, and to act competently and compassionately so that everyone in our land has a place to call home.

All levels of our society have a responsibility to take up the challenge that Jesus put to the lawyer who tested him. The Lord invites us to consider the role of the good Samaritan – not as some occasional act of doing good, but as a duty to provide the resources and assistance to fellow citizens struggling to find a home.



Our Sick:

Dillon

Bailey Delaney, Xavier Reicha, Fletcher Densley, Fr Peter Murnane, Philip Delaney, Maria Nguyen, Rylie Hutchinson **September Anniversaries:** Leo O'Connor, Harriet Conheady, Jeff Haugh, Jeffrey Arnold, Leo Couch, Jeanette Gale, Fr Peter Claridge, Fr Bob Markey, Graham Cecil, Mavis Couch. Steven Saliba. Mick Dillon. Paul Brick. Janet



Recent Death: Noel Haugh



Planned Giving Program

Planned Giving Envelopes are available Church foyer for pick up

Welcome to Father who is celebrating Mass for us today in Timboon.

Rosary before Mass. We are commencing a Rosary Programme to be held before Masses.

If you are interested in participating, please be at the Church at 8:45 a.m.

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 other weekends)

Sunday: 11 am Camperdown.

Timboon	Sept 30th Mass	Oct 7th Mass	Oct 14th
	9am	9am	Ass of W & C
			10am
Welcome	N McKinnon		L Tregea
Leaders			P Nicholson
			C Martin
Statue	G & A Vogels		G & M Townsend
Reader	P Nicholson		E O'Connor
P.O.F.	D Denny		N Denny
Gifts	S Berry L Tregea		
M of C	T & E O'Connor		P Martin
Church Cleaning	A McMeel		Vogels family
Bulletin	A McMeel C Marr	P Nicholson	P Nicholson
		M Moloney	M Moloney
Slides	K Currell	P Nicholson	P Nicholson
Simpson		Mass 9am	Ass of W & C
			9am
Statue	N O'Connor	K & J Robertson	J Wetemans