



**St Joseph's Parish Timboon**  
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All Parishioners and friends are invited to attend the auction of goods in the Church Hall after Mass today. Proceeds are for the Jesuit 's fund for refugees.

**Finance Meeting** will be held in Presbytery on Tues Dec 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

**Working Bees**

**Timboon:** Wednesday 9th December at 10:00 am. **Simpson:** Wednesday 16th December at 10:00 am

**Leadership Team Meeting** will be held in Presbytery Tues Dec 15th at 7pm.

**Reconciliation** will be available on Saturday 19th December by appointment only. Please ring Father Dan on 0428 530 974 to arrange. Father Dan is also available for reconciliation any weekend he is celebrating Masses in the parish, also by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick and Frail** will be held at the Masses at St Joseph's and St Andrew's on Sunday 20th December.

**Christmas Day Masses** will be celebrated by Fr Denis Ryan

Timboon: 9am  
 Simpson: 10.30am



**Second Sunday in Advent.** On the second Sunday of Advent, the second purple candle is lit. This candle typically represents [love](#). Some traditions call this the "[Bethlehem](#)

Candle," symbolizing Christ's [manager](#).

**A Prayer for Our Earth**

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one. O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

*POPE FRANCIS, Laudato Si*

**The Parish of Timboon** is a Parish with a Supervised Community Leadership. The Parish Leadership Team coordinates parish life and lay pastoral ministry supported by the Supervising Priest and the Visiting Priest.



**Parish Leadership Team:**

**Moderator:** Jean McMeel  
**Members:** Marlene van Nieuwkerk, Katrina Currell, Gerard Vogels, Charles Martin and Pat Nicholson.  
**Parish Secretary:** George Swierczek

**Our sick:** Ann Ryan, Terry McMeel, Pat Gaut, Sarah Vogels, Bailey Delaney, Ann Dodd, Kade Ryan, Nicky Simmons, Andrew Cook, Frank Vogels, Nancy Nugent, John Hunt, Frances Hammett.

**December Anniversaries:** Toni Lathouwers, Shelia Freeman, Carmel Baxter, Enid Boyle, Brian Fleming, Ciril Karo, Lillian McClusky, Sr Christina Madden, Brian Parsons, Darryn Tregea



**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Jubilee Year of Mercy**

Pope Francis has announced an Extraordinary Jubilee which has at its centre the mercy of God. It will be a Holy Year of Mercy. This Holy Year will commence on December 8, 2015, the next Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and will conclude on Sunday, November 20, 2016, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Year of Mercy website: <http://www.iubilaeummisericordiae.va/content/gdm/en.html> All are invited to attend the Opening of the Door of Mercy at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat by Bishop Paul Bird CSsR on Sunday, December 13, 2015,

**Protecting Children and Vulnerable**

**Adults Training:** Reminder for all those who need to complete this course could you please do so and then send or give your certificate of completion to the parish office.

**Columban** calendars for 2016 are available in the church foyers now for \$10 each.

**Feast Day:**

Dec 8th Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary .

**Mass and Assembly of Word and Communion at St Andrew's Simpson 9:00 a.m. Sundays.**

**St Andrew's** statue roster: **6th Dec** M & M Dillon; **13th Dec** N & E Weel;

Timboon	Dec 6th Mass 10.45 am	Dec 12th Ass Of W & C 6pm	Dec 20th
Leaders		R Hoffmann T O'Connor	
Welcome	M van Nieuwkerk	P Haugh	P Martin
Statue	C & P Martin	S Nguyen	M Turner
Reader	G Delaney	A Denny	R Hoffmann
P.O.F.	C. Marr	E O'Connor	C Marr
Gifts	N & P Haugh		A & K Currell
M of C	A Vogels C Bullen	P Martin	E O'Connor
1st Reading	Bar 5:1-9	Zeph 3:14-18	Mic 5:1-4
2nd Reading	Phil 1:3-6, 8-11	Phil 4:4-7	Heb 10:5-10
Gospel	Lk 3:1-6	Lk 3:10-18	Lk 1:39-44
Church Cleaning	M Turner	M Turner	M Turner
Bulletin Roster	C Marr, A McMeel	C Marr A McMeel	C Marr, A McMeel