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Dear Friends; In today's gospel we saw that Jesus came to his native town with his disciples. On a Sabbath day he went to the synagogue and began to teach there. Many at the synagogue of Nazareth were surprised to hear Jesus. They question his family background, doubt his teaching and asked themselves where did this man get all this? They cannot accept someone they know as a son of a carpenter, whose mother and relatives are still their neighbours. There main worry was, how can he have that kind of wisdom and power of God in him. So, they refuse to accept him as their Messiah.

We know God does not look at our family or social background as humans do. God will always believe in us to trust our goodness and commitment. After all, we belong to one family and are united with our faith in God, as our heavenly Father. If our aim in life is to make 'God's will' in our life or God's plan as our plan, then we should follow in the footsteps of Jesus who was faithful to God's will. The people at the synagogue or their Rabbis were lacking in faith and could not perform those mighty deeds as Jesus did. So, they refuse to accept Jesus because of his family background. The gospel tells us what God wants from us. God desires our faith. Having faith in God means trusting God and relying on God in all situations of our life. As Jesus tells his disciples on another occasion, 'I say to you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, move from here to there, and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you. So let us ask the Lord to strengthen our faith to accept the will of God in our life and to live faithfully in our day-to-day life...Neville



Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 6.30pm Cobden
Sunday: 9am 1st Sun. Simpson
9am 2nd/4th Sun. Lismore
9am 3rd/5th Sun. Timboon
(Lay led assembly will be held on
the other weekends)

Next Weekend Masses

Sat: Cobden 6.30 pm Sun: Lismore 9.00 am Camperdown 11.00 am.

Next Weekend Readings: Yr:B

Amos 7: 12 – 15, Eph 1: 3 – 14; Mk 6: 7 – 13.

Saints and Feasts:

Mon- St Anthony Zaccaria
Tues- St Maria Goretti
Wed- St Peter To Rot, Martyr
Thur- St Priscilla
Fri- St Paulina
Sat- St Alexander

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are ill: Fr Denis Dennehy, Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, John O'Brien, Brian Wain, Mary Hickey, Mary Ryan, Bernd Menz, Peter Saunders, Teresa Gittany

Recent Death: Kevin Butler.

Anniversaries: We pray for those who died recently & those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Catherine Vaughan, William
Malady, Norman Brewis, Lorna
Madden, Patrick O'Connell

Please consider making your Planned Giving contributions and Sunday collections via bank transfers. This will help running the parish which still needs to cover its costs while the current situation continues.

Parish bank details: BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8126 (Envelopes).

Presbytery: BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8142 (1st Collection). Thank you

A Prayer for the Year of SAINT JOSEPH

"Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life"
Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust.
Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy ad courage. Amen

<u>Novel coronavirus (COVID-19):</u> There are further easing of restrictions in regional Victoria as of 11.59pm on Thursday, June 24. More information is available on the government website

https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/religion-and-ceremony-regional-victoria. Updates will also be available from the diocesan website https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/coronavirus-the-churchs-information-and-advice-2/. Please note that religious gatherings can be held with 1 person per 2 sqm when using a COVID Check-in Marshal, otherwise density limit of 1 person per 4sqm applies.

This Message came on Wednesday (24/06) from Bishop's Office:

Hello Everyone,

The Victorian Government announced an easing of COVID restrictions to take effect from midnight on Thursday **June 24**.

The following provisions now apply in regional Victoria.

Religious gatherings and ceremonies are permitted with **no overarching venue limit**, but with a **density quotient** of 1 person per 4 square metres.

Funerals are permitted with up to **300 people** attending, plus those necessary to conduct the funeral, subject to venue density limits.

Weddings are permitted with up to 300 people, subject to venue density limits.

Face coverings must still be carried at all times. Face coverings must be worn inside the church.

We are happy to announce the decree from the Bishop, which came yesterday (02/07). A decree of establishing the new Saint Paul VI Parish, Wimmera-Mallee.

The new parish includes the area of the former parishes of Hopetoun, Horsham, Nhill and Warracknabeal. Monsignor Glynn Murphy and Fr Jim McKay have been serving in these parishes and they will continue their service in the new parish.

God bless you all. Bishop Paul

<u>In Registering the Attendances at Church:</u> This year also we are going to continue to register the attendances' names and contact numbers electronically. So please bring your mobile phone to the church and in the church foyer you will find the **QR scanning CODE FORMAT** with instructions how to use it.

Step 1. Use your phone's camera to scan the code.

Step 2. Enter your first name and phone number. Step

3. Look for the tick "You're now checked-in" Please place your mobile phone in silence mode and arrive 5 minutes earlier than normal to help us to start the mass on time. Thank you.

<u>Last weekend's Collection:</u> I would like to thank everyone for their assistance & support. Last week you generously gave to the Parish\$712.70 & Presbytery \$436.50.God bless you and keep you all safe in His Care.

Plenary Council Prayer Campaign

A national campaign has been launched to support a prayerful build-up to the first assembly of the Plenary Council. The "Fan the Flame" campaign is offered as resources for individuals and groups of various sizes and contexts who are providing essential support by praying for the Council journey and specifically for the Council assemblies, including the members who will participate. Resources available from https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheflame/

Year of St Joseph Monthly Reflection:

Each month during the year of St Joseph, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference will publish a reflection on the various aspects of St Joseph's life and character https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph

Praying with Pope Francis

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at www.thepopevideo.org. Pope's intention for July: July universal intention – social friendship: We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

"Heal Country" - Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Resources for Sunday - July 4, 2021

Every year, Catholics come together across Australia to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts of Australia's First Peoples in the Catholic Church. We pray together the Prayer of Aboriginal People (For the Pope's visit to

Australia in 1986, Aboriginal people composed the following prayer for the ceremony in Alice Springs. This prayer now is prayed by many Catholic Aboriginal groups around the country):

Father of all, you gave us the Dreaming.

You have spoken to us through our beliefs.

You then made your love clear to us in the person of Jesus.

We thank you for your care. You own us.

You are our hope. Make us strong as we face the problems of change.

We ask you to help the people of Australia to listen to us and respect our culture.

Make the knowledge of you grow strong in all people, so that you can be at home in us and we can make a home for everyone in our land. Amen.

NAIDOC Week - July 4-11, 2021:

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. NAIDOC Week coincides with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday and both events are sharing the theme "Heal Country". For more information go to https://www.naidoc.org.au/

Sea Sunday - July 11, 2021:

Next week is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be an Appeal for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Funds collected will be used to provide practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. To donate or for more information about its work, visit www.stellamarisaustralia.org

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Ez 2:2-5

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you up to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 122. R. v.2

(R.) Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

- 1. To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens: my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords. (R.)
- 2. Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of his mistress, so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he shows us his mercy. (R.)
- 3. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. We are filled with contempt.

 Indeed all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the proud man's disdain. (R.)

Second Reading: 2 Cor 12:7-10

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ

may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) See Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mk 6:1-6

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

A prophet is despised only in his own country.

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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It is not easy to recognise a true prophet. Frequently those with prophetic insight are treated without honour. The people to whom Ezekiel was sent were hard of face, obstinate of heart, a rebellious house. The Galileans who heard Jesus' words were no better. They questioned his authenticity because they thought he was no better than they were and, therefore, he had no right to act superior. We so often resent people who can do what we cannot. This resentment can be magnified when the person is someone with whom we have grown up, a member of the family or of the community.

True believers recognise and admit their human frailty. They also know that genuine weakness does not impede the saving action of God. In fact, God seems to *prefer* to act where pride and self-satisfaction do not prevail, for such attitudes are obstacles to personal transformation. However, when we open ourselves in humility and honest piety, the power of God can flood our minds and our hearts and shine forth from us to all around. When this happens, there will be no doubt in any mind as to the origin of this wondrous reality. It will be very clear that though it comes *through* us, it comes *from* God. The receptivity of Paul in this matter is in sharp contrast to the rebellion of the people at the time of Ezekiel and the resistance of those who thought that they knew Jesus so well.

04-July-2021 14th Sunday OT	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister	
6.30pm: Cobden	M McKenzie	K Daffy	N/A	G Kelson	
9 a.m. Limore Assembly	K Deppeler	S Bialek		L Johnstone	
11am: Camperdown	S Gillett	R Henry	N/A	H Seuren	
Counting Team: P & L Hickey		Altar Camperdown: R Henry A Cunningham			
Church Cleaning: P Burke	Altar Cobden: S Rohan S Ralph				
Marian Statue: L & J Delaney	Altar Derrinallum: K Bell				

11-July-2021 15th Sunday OT	Reader	P.O.F.	Offertory	E/Minister	
6.30pm: Cobden	G Gleeson	A Horan	N/A	J Blair	
9 a.m. Lismore	L Johnstone	A Bell		D Halloran	
11am: Camperdown	P Conheady	C McCarthy	N/A	M Smart	
Counting Team: P & L Hickey		Altar Camperdown: L Hickey M Larkins			
Church Cleaning: M Sinnott		Altar Cobden: S Rohan S Ralph			
Marian Statue: M & D Moran		Altar Derrinallum: S McLeod			

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