



Parish of Timboon

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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH .



Full disclosure: I have never done this, offered myself to an enemy for a second go-round. The very idea of turning the other cheek is totally appalling. When Jesus says offer no resistance to one who is evil, I say: Lord, you've got to be kidding. Of course, I'm going to resist evil. I'm going to run from the near occasion of the bad guys the moment I see them on the horizon. Jesus wants me to surrender my coat along with my shirt and work twice as long for someone who's already taking advantage of me. The capstone of the whole teaching is the most ludicrous: love your enemy. Is Jesus pulling our leg?

It's obvious from reading the gospels that Jesus has a sense of humour. But he doesn't simply clown around. Jesus says all these preposterous things to bring us along to the bottom line on this way of thinking: Be perfect, as God is perfect. Because God does turn the other cheek, doesn't resist us even when we're evil, gives and gives, and loves us who are enemies to the divine will. Maybe we won't do these things. But thank heaven God will.

How willing are you to creep up to the territory of God's perfection?

Clean up a mess you didn't make. Turn out a light somebody else left on. Ask a blessing on someone you don't like. Put up with someone who won't stop talking. Practice holiness.

"When someone gives you a hard time, respond with the energies of prayer, for then you are working out of your true selves, your God-created selves".

Project Compassion Sunday

February 23rd - Boxes and donation envelopes are available in church foyers for collection. This project held during Lent—helps and supports the world's most vulnerable communities, to help to end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.

Lenten Prayer Group

Commencing Friday 28th in St Joseph's Timboon at 10.30am with Stations of the Cross at 1200pm during Lent.
 For more information contact K. Currell.

World Day of Prayer - Pray for Zimbabwe

March Friday 6th 1.30pm at St Judes Anglican Church Timboon.
 All welcome.

Corangamite Shire

Simpson & Timboon draft strategic plan available for input. Public drop in

Simpson Wednesday 4th 2.30pm – 7.30pm at Simpson's Bowls Clun

Timboon Thursday 5th 2.30pm-7.30pm at Senior Citizens Centre.

Our Sick: Bailey Delaney, Fletcher Densley, Maria Nguyen, Pat Thornton, Betty Delaney, Catherine Marr

February Anniversaries: Mary McMeel, Mary van Nieuwkerk, Peter O'Connor, Jim McMeel, Pat Maslin, Nell Pekin, Carmel O'Connor, Joe Delaney, John Fowler, Graeme Bell, John Vogels, Nora Townsend, Mary Plozza, Susan Boyle.

Recent death: Rylie Hutchinson (G. Townsend 's grandson)



Ash Wednesday : February 26th

Mass at 9am in St Joseph's Church

Next Plenary Council Gathering:

Renewal & Reform " Sessions:
 Timboon Tuesday 25th February 7:30 p.m. and Wednesday 26h February 10:00 am after Mass . Simpson Wednesday 26th February 7:30 p.m.

Parish Pastoral Committee—

The term for the current committee has expired. Nominations are now being sought for new members. If you are interested please talk to Fr

Weekend Mass Times

Cobden Saturday: 6.30pm
Simpson Sunday: 9am 1st Sun.*
Lismore Sunday 9am 2nd Sun.
Timboon Sunday 9am 3rd/5th Sun.,
 Rosary 8:35 a.m.*
Derrinallum Sunday: 9am 4th Sun.
Camperdown Sunday 11 am
 (Assembly of Word and Communion other weekends)

Diocese of Ballarat:

Rosary before Mass will now commence at 8:35 a.m. to allow time for preparation of the church for the celebration following.

Timboon	23rd Feb Ass of W & C 10am	1st March	March 8th Ass of W & C 10am
Welcome	K Currell		P Martin
Leaders	E O'Connor J McInerney		T O'Connor A Vogels
Statue	P Haugh		M van Nieuwkerk
Reader	T O'Connor		E O'Connor
P.O.F.	M van Nieuwkerk		P Nicholson
Gifts			
M of C	A Vogels		C Bullen
Church Cleaning	L Tregea, S Berry	J Delaney T Vogels	J Delaney T Vogels
Bulletin	A McMeel, C Marr	P Nicholson M Moloney	P Nicholson M Moloney
Slides	A McMeel	K Currell	K Currell
Simpson	Ass of W & C 9am	Mass 9am	Ass of W & C 9am
Statue	G Swierczek	M & M Dillon	N & E Weel