

Parish of Timboon

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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH .



Dear Friends,

Today's gospel invites us to work for the heavenly treasures in our life. Through this parable Jesus gives us a lesson of the rich man who has an abundant harvest, and says, though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions. It is not bad to work for a living, to earn money and gain possessions. Money and possessions are good servants, but they are dictatorial as masters. Jesus tells his disciples that they cannot serve God and money. Once money and possessions take hold of our hearts then they become not our possessions but our possessors. Hence, we forget the most important things in life, namely the love of God and our brothers and sisters. That is why God calls the rich man 'You fool'.

In making his plans for the future, the rich man thinks only of himself, his storage place for the grain, his food and drink. He has no place for God and his neighbour. He has forgotten the most important thing that really matters in life, the commandment of love. Many people who live in luxury mansions are driven in very expensive cars and eat in five-star hotels while earning lots of lots of money and buying all the things they want and end up being called the richest person in the world. Here we all to remember the words of Jesus: Thus will it be for the one who stores up treasure for himself but is not rich in what matters to God. So in our celebration let us ask our heavenly Father to give us his wisdom to read the signs of the time and to live accordingly to work for the heavenly treasures in our life.

Neville.

Our Sick: Pat Thornton, Gina Vogels

Anniversaries In July: Jayne McMeel, Gaye Arnold, Louis Reinen, Peter Reinen, Bridget Allan, Tom Delaney, John Dwyer, Joan Densley, Mary McDowall, Mick and Emily Parsons, Edward O'Donnell, Tom Dundon, Teresa Heyden, Veronica Keegan, Alice Craven, Olive Savage, Margaret Townsend.

Recent Deaths: Jim Delaney, Leo Bond



Ordination to the Priesthood Mass - Thank You

Thank you to all who gathered at the Cathedral last Friday night, or joined the livestream, to celebrate the Ordination to the Priesthood for Fr William Lowry and Fr Matthew Restall. To the Ballarat Cathedral Parish volunteers and to all who assisted with the evening – those who prepared the Cathedral, those who assisted with catering for the clergy prior to Mass, welcomers, ushers, anyone who assisted in any way – your time and attendance before, after and during the Mass was very much appreciated by the Diocesan Liturgical Commission. We pray for Fr Bill and Fr Matt as they begin their priestly ministry in our diocese.

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: For the elderly:** We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people. May their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

Vinnie's Winter Appeal: Domestic violence is the leading cause of homelessness for women and children. Your support of the 2022 Vinnie's Winter Appeal will help provide emergency accommodation, financial support, as well as material assistance. To donate go to <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/winter-appeal-vic> **If you have warm clothing, blankets etc. to donate please see Pat Nicholson.**

Vinnies Winter Appeal – Ballarat City Brass Band Concert: The Ballarat City Brass Band presents, "A Golden Era Music" on Sunday, August 14, 2022 at 2.00pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat. Entry by gold coin donation and all proceeds will be donated to the Vinnies Winter Appeal.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday 31 Jul 2022

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C



First Reading: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes

What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skillfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

1. You turn men back into dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. **(R.)**
2. You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. **(R.)**
3. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **(R.)**
4. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **(R.)**

Second Reading: Col 3:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God**



Gospel Acclamation: (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation): **Mt 5:3**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel: **Lk 12:13-21**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord...**All: Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ**

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Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre Open Day: Open Day at the Mary Mackillop Heritage Centre will be held on Saturday, August 6, 2022 from 10.00am – 4.00pm to acknowledge St Mary's Feast Day. Activities will include: Guided tours of the museum; Meet the author Sr Judith Geddes "A Faith Filled Family" at 10.30am; Mary MacKillop Walking Tour at 11.00am; Mass in the Chapel with Fr Andrew Jekot at 1.00pm; A Rosary in Mary's Chapel for the people of Ukraine at 3.00pm; refreshment options available for purchase; visit the Gift Shop; free kids crafts activities. For further information and registering for the walk and Mass go to <https://www.mmhc.org.au/open-days-2022/> or ph. 03 9926 9300.

Brief Encounter SPEAKER SERIES "Finding Hope in Losing Battles" Wednesday 10 August, 2022 7.30–8.30pm (online) Guest: Monica Doumit B Med Sc. LLB (Hons) Grad Cert Legal Practice. M Bioeth. Director of Public Affairs and Engagement: Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney. Contributor: The Catholic Weekly ABN 18 342 098 335 A0017 514E • C • W • L • "Monica says she has been on the frontlines of most of the losing cultural battles of the last five years. From the marriage debate to abortion to euthanasia to religious freedom, you name it, she's lost it! Anna Krohn will interview Monica about her bold, lucid and yet hope-filled presence within the Church and her work on the ethical and cultural front line. After our long months of isolation, the Brief Encounter series offers you a opportunity to meet and be inspired by our special guest, to ask questions and meet each other – all within a 1 hour time frame. Online TryBooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/CAHDW> No Cost. For further information please contact the CWLVWW General Secretary: cwlvicww@gmail.com

We pray for all who are suffering and bereaved.

At this time of sorrow, incomprehension, and tragedy, we stand together.

In this crisis, we pray for God's mercy and healing for the sick and for health and strength for all who care for them. Amen.

Needed urgently – volunteers workers for Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service, Diocese of Broome:

The Diocese of Broome, WA, urgently requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church on Aboriginal Missions. There are various important voluntary tasks: administration, building maintenance, gardening, shop staffing, cooking, cleaning etc. Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months plus. In return for being part of the team, we offer accommodation, living expenses and an allowance. For further details and an application form please contact Volunteer Coordinator, Janet Ryan, ph. 08 9192 1060 or email volunteers@broomedioocese.org. Web: www.broomedioocese.org. Mail: PO Box 76, Broome WA 6725.

Palms Australia celebrating a return to global mission:

Once again Australian Catholics are being offered deep re-engagement with our sisters and brothers globally. COVID challenged our ability to reach beyond but now you can again consider Mission opportunities abroad. If you respond to the call to share your skills, to mentor those with little other opportunity, you will be prepared and supported by Palms Australia who have engaged Australian Catholics in this mission since 1961. Enquire online or phone 0422 742 567 about a placement to engage your skills. Register for a webinar on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 7.00 pm for the chance to talk directly with Palms' partner communities abroad and two Australian program participants recently posted to work with them <https://palms.org.au/event/celebrate-palms-return-to-global-mission/>. Invite your friends. The stories will inspire.

CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Either of the next two weekends will be the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. As our parish's social service agency, CatholicCare Victoria delivers over 60 programs and services including counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care in hospitals and prisons, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full. Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help provide caring support for people when they are at their most broken. You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

Catholic Earthcare a program of Caritas Australia: Catholic Earthcare launched its Earthcare Parishes program in December 2021 and since then, the network has grown to sixty parishes across 17 dioceses. Your parish is encouraged to join the network and begin your own parish's journey towards the 7 *Laudato Si'* Goals and to becoming living *Laudato Si'* communities. Please contact Jillian Hogbin, Diocesan Director Caritas, who can lend support on how to be involved and to sign up. More information is available from the Catholic Earthcare Ballarat diocese webpage <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/DD-Letter-to-Parishes-re-Earthcare-Ballarat.pdf>

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19): Checking-in is no longer required. Face masks are no longer required in most indoor settings, but they are still recommended. Carry a mask when leaving home. They are strongly recommended if you have any COVID-19 symptoms and are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19.

Timboon 2022	31st July Mass 9:00 a.m.	7th August Closed	14th August 9:00 a.m. Assembly W & C
Welcome	A McMeel		N McKinnon
Leaders			
Statue	T O'Connor E O'Connor		D Moloney M Moloney
Reader	R Couch		J McInerney
POF	E Roberts		L McInerney
E.M.H.C.			
Bulletin	G Swierczek	P Nicholson	P Nicholson
Slides			A McMeel
Cleaners	C Bullen	E O'Connor	E O'Connor
Simpson	Closed	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Assembly W&C 9:00 a.m.