



St Marys Church Bairnsdale

**BAIRNSDALE – OMEO**  
**East Region – Diocese of Sale**  
*Who we are tomorrow begins with what we do today.*



St Patricks Paynesville

**Vision:** We are a welcoming community where the word of God, through the message of Jesus Christ is made known & lived.  
**Our mission is to:** Live the message of Jesus Christ taking inspiration from Mary, the Mother of God.  
**Empower our community to activate their gifts to build a better world. Strengthen and grow our faith.**

**The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of Christ, Year B – June 3rd, 2018**

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**Parish Pastoral Council:** meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.  
 Please submit items for consideration to the Parish Centre by 10.00am on Tuesday the week before the meeting.  
**Members:** Clare Marriot-Smith (Chair), Denise Fallon, Angelo D’Amore, Michael Flynn, Rita Bowers and Angela McKail.  
**A Parish Directory of all Groups** and contact details is available at the Pastoral Centre.

**Sacraments:** Sacramental Information and registration forms are available at: [stmarybairnsdale@gmail.com](mailto:stmarybairnsdale@gmail.com)  
**Baptisms** – Preparation sessions are held regularly. Please call the Sacramental Coordinator to register. Available on 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday’s of the month.  
**Weddings** – 6 months’ notice required, schedule dates with priest.  
**Funerals** – Please check with priest before setting dates & times.  
**Anointing of the Sick** – Please call the Parish Office.  
**Communion to the Housebound & Aged Care** – Please call Jo De Boer 5153 0423 Mobile: 0409 530 423  
**Special Wedding Anniversaries** – 6 months’ notice is needed to facilitate a Papal Blessing for parishioners.

**Liturgy/Mass Times**

**WEEKEND**  
**MARY’S BAIRNSDALE:** Sat: 6:00pm & Sun: 9:30am  
**CHILDRENS LITURGY:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday monthly - school term  
**ST PATRICK’S PAYNESVILLE:** Sun: 8:00am  
**ST CANICE’S LINDENOW:** Sun: 11:00am  
**1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of Month 10:30am** BUPA/Eastwood Aged Care  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. of Month 10:30am** OPAL/Harnham Aged Care  
**4<sup>th</sup> Wed. of Month 10:30am** Maddocks Gardens

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the Month - MASS**  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, OMEO:** Sun - 9:00am  
**SACRED HEART, SWIFTS CREEK:** Sat - 6:30pm  
**ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, BENAMBRA:** Sun - 11:00am

**1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the Month - LITURGY of the WORD**  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, OMEO:** Sun - 9:00am  
**SACRED HEART, SWIFTS CREEK:** Sun - 8:30am  
**ST FRANCIS of ASSISI, BENAMBRA:** Sun - 9:30am

**ST MARY’S BAIRNSDALE – WEEKDAYS**  
 Mon: 9:10am Mass  
 Tues: 8:45am Morning Office, 9:10am Rosary  
 Wed: 9:10am Mass  
 10:30am Mass at BUPA/Eastwood Aged Care  
 Thurs: 9:10am Mass  
 Fri: 10:00am Mass – St Mary’s whole School

**RECONCILIATION**  
**ST MARY’S BAIRNSDALE:** After Friday 9:10 am Mass  
**Saturday:** 9:30am – 10:00am, 5:30 pm – 5:50pm  
**OTHER CHURCHES:** Before Mass

**DEVOTIONS**  
**Morning Office:** 8:45am in St Mary’s Chapel  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** after 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Mass  
**Rosary:** after morning Mass  
**Anointing of the Sick:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday during Mass

**GLUTEN FREE:** Anyone needing a GF host is asked to speak to the priest before Mass to organise.

*Welcome* to all who have joined us to celebrate Mass.

**NEXT WEEKEND 9th & 10th June 2018**

<b>ROSTERS</b>	<b>Commentators</b>	<b>Proclaimer</b>	<b>Procession of Gospel/Gifts</b>	<b>Special Ministers</b>
<b>6:00pm</b>	B O’Kelly	K Flannery	M Calabro	B O’Kelly, K & T Flannery
<b>9:30am</b>	T Kosmer	A Vowell	N Rooney & friend	T Kosmer, M Elliott & D Fallon

**CHURCH CLEANING: 1<sup>st</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> June:** St Anthony Committee

## **Please pray for**

### **OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:**

John Millbourn.

### **ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES occur at this time:**

David Roberts, Olwen Stephens, Glad Stray, Bob Seehusen, Peter Morgan, Ruth Fraser, Bill Ffrench, Joe Ainsworth, Jim O'Brien, Theresa Conway, Fr Peter Kilduff, Fr Jim McGuigan, Bish. James Corbett, Fr James O'Neill, Fr Cornelius Cremin, Lillian Bills, Robert Bills, Brian Keady, William McNeil, Kath McAuley, Brendan Prendergast, Fr Robert Mead, Fr Martin Roche, Fr William Ryan, Dean Edward Coleman VG, Fr Francis Moore.

**"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."**

### **PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THE SICK:**

Tamara Flannery, Tony Zagami, Mark Owen, Gerard Templer (brother of Trudy Kosmer), Bill Cole, Amy Hood, Bill Glassborow, Ena Morris, Raylene Steer, Holly Box, Rick Jones, Rose Gallagher, Brian Rowe, Paul McFarlane, Cath Smyth, Betty Holloway, Tyler Green, Di Dunlop, John Buck, Kerry Larkin, Peg Marsh, Arthur Elbourne, Amanda Matthews, Rohani Wallace, Mark Kelly, Guy Newman, Maryanne Esmonde, Coral Prendergast, Kaili Kidner, Maria Sticca, James Warren, Michael Counsel, Elizabeth Knight, Tammy Ewing, Michelle Bowles, Harrison Stagg, Pauline Cocco, Peter Grimsted, Dennis (Danny) Phelan, Julie Ann Milnes-James, Rhonda Coloe, Thomas Anderson, Elizabeth & Frank Stehmann, Tyson Chapman, Shannon Helmers, Trish Henderson.

*Please remember all parishioners who are in ill health or recuperating from illness or surgery.*

*Please let the Parish Centre know if you wish to add or remove names of persons from the sick list.*

### **SAINT ANTHONY MASS & PROCESSION**

Mass and Procession in honour of St Anthony of Padua will be concelebrated by Bishop Pat, Frs Frank Bertagnolli SDB, Michael Willemsen and other priests at **St Mary's Church in Bairnsdale, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 11am.** The Procession will go down the Main Street and Benediction, blessing and distribution of bread and Holy pictures will follow. Afterwards a social gathering will take place at St Mary's Parish Centre. All are welcome. Please bring a plate to share.

### **FR DAREK**

Bishop O'Regan has informed me that Fr Darek will leave our Parish and go on personal leave, effective from June 1<sup>st</sup>. He goes with our best wishes, prayers and gratitude for his time with us.

We welcome Fr Xavier Pinto, a 68 yo Redemptionist from India, who has worked previously in the western region of our Diocese and Traralgon. *Fr Michael*

### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK**

A couple of weeks ago, St Mary's Primary School celebrated Catholic Education Week. Each class made a poster about what they liked most about their school. Some of these posters can be found around our church. A great effort by both students and teachers. THANK YOU. Please take some time to look around and appreciate their efforts.

### **PLENARY COUNCIL 2020**

To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, ALL of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website now online: [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

### **SMILE**

What did the fish say when it swam into a wall? Dam!

## **THE STAGING POST**

### **– COURAGEOUS PEOPLE NEVER GIVE UP!**

This is a film by Jolyon Hoff. The cinema screening of this film is being supported by East Gippsland Asylum Seeker Support Group. **WHEN:** Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June **WHERE:** Sun Cinema, 112 Macleod Street **TIME:** 7pm – 9pm **COST:** \$16 Tickets are available at [thestagingpost.com.au](http://thestagingpost.com.au) OR Schoolworks, 147 Macleod Street, Bairnsdale. The evening will include Q & A with Muzafar Ali and the director, Jolyon Hoff. A light supper will be served afterwards.

### **TRINITY FAMILIES**

The annual parish appeal for Trinity Families will take place this weekend. Trinity Families is our Diocese's own charity and was established to provide support for families within our region.

*We ask all parishioners to consider making Trinity Families their charity of choice by making a meaningful donation at least once a year. Donation envelopes will be available next weekend, and these can be used for cash or credit cards.*

*Direct debit details and more information from [www.trinityfamilies.org.au](http://www.trinityfamilies.org.au) or executive officer Colin Coomber on 0407 213 328*

### **CHOSEN NATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE**

*"You did not choose me but I chose you, and I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last" - John 15:16.*

The Chosen Conference is a national conference of young people and young adults (aged 18 - 30 years) which will be held at Mannix College Clayton, Melbourne from 12th - 15th July 2018. As our Church in Australia is celebrating 2018 as the Year of Youth, Jesus Youth, an International Catholic Association, is organising this conference with a focus on evangelising young people and nurturing their missionary initiatives. Come and experience amazing youth rallies, uplifting talks, workshops, Theatre, Eucharistic celebrations, Vocation & Mission Expo and Live music by 'Master Plan' (a band which has performed at the last two World Youth Days). If you are interested and wish to register, please visit [www.chosenconference.org.au](http://www.chosenconference.org.au). For more information about registrations and group discounts, please contact [register@chosenconference.org.au](mailto:register@chosenconference.org.au) or call 0403 709 531 / 0491 002 081.

### **PARISH RETREAT – Relating to God in Today's World**

Sr Lyn Young from St Brendan's, Lakes Entrance, has kindly offered to run a retreat in our Parish. The retreat begins at 10am with the Session: Ageing and Awakening: God's Surprising Gifts. A creative fresh vision of what it is to be an older person is the starting point for a Spirituality that will sustain us in the second half of life. Parishioners are invited to attend 9:10am Mass on the day. There will be 3 sessions for Reflection and Prayer throughout the day concluding at 3pm. Sessions will include: The Cry of Earth during which we reflect on Pope Francis' words on care for our common home and how we are challenged to speak up for justice. Befriending your own Beauty of Soul, Hallowing Diminishment and Spiritual Resilience in our elder years during which we ponder the Ministry of Presence. Morning & Afternoon Tea will be provided, and we ask that you bring something to share for lunch.

**WHEN:** 26<sup>th</sup> June

**TIME:** 10am – 3pm **WHERE:** St Marys Parish Centre.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

2<sup>nd</sup> June: 6pm Mass for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Candidates.  
3<sup>rd</sup> June: 9:30am Mass for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Candidates.  
10<sup>th</sup> June: 11am - St Anthony Mass, Procession & light lunch.  
26<sup>th</sup> June: 10am-3pm Parish Retreat with Sr Lyn.  
8<sup>th</sup> August: 9:30am – 3pm - eConference @ Parish Centre.

## SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



The following children are celebrating the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend.

Izaac Alleaume  
Jack Brodrigg  
Reece Foy  
Ava Galati  
Xavier Hack  
Louise Hurley  
Asha Jankowiak  
Wil Malady  
Hunter McLellan  
Chloe Mooney  
Hayley Pruscino  
Sophie Scott

Layla Bartlett  
Blake Duffy  
Jobe Froud  
Elizabeth Gray  
Audrey Hodge  
Halle Jackson  
Emily Kool  
Grace McKenna  
Pearl Miguel  
Paul Onte  
Nathan Scott  
Ryan Scott

Bailey Webster

May your first Holy Communion celebrate your friendship with Jesus.

As you grow in this friendship may your words be gentle, and your touch be kind.

May you hear the whispers of love in your heart each day.

May you have fun in discovering God hidden everywhere.

And may you remember to thank God often for the gift of life. Amen

*All at St Mary's Parish, congratulate you and pray that this step in your spiritual journey will lead you closer to God. May your blessings be many, your faith remains strong and may you continue to receive Holy Communion.*

Thank you and blessings to your teachers and family who have helped prepare and travel with you on this ongoing journey of faith.

### STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

The next batch of envelopes are now available to be picked up. They can be found in the foyer of our churches. Tax receipts will be available after 30<sup>th</sup> June, if required. Please help us by picking up your set of envelopes, they begin on 17<sup>th</sup> June.

### REVISED CODE OF CONDUCT

A BIG thank you to those of you who have come in and signed the 'revised' Code of Conduct. We ask volunteers who have a WWCC and have NOT signed a 'Revised Code of Conduct' to please come into the Parish Centre and sign as soon as possible. It is very important to ensure our volunteers and paperwork are up to standard.

### Collections for week ending 27th May 2018

Envelopes	\$ 1,501.10
Direct Debits & Cards	\$ 110.00
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$ 346.90
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$ 570.45

## CALLED AND GIFTED

*Charism* is simply the Greek word used in the New Testament for "favour" or "gratuitous gift".

**Appreciating charisms, or spiritual gifts, helps us to see our parish as a place of gifts, rather than a place of needs.**

Everyone is given unique gifts. Many people are able to recognise their charisms and abilities, but there are many who are unsure of their gifts. We must all do our little bit to encourage and help discern how we may use our gifts/ charisms.

No gift is too small or insignificant.



The Charism of **HOSPITALITY** empowers a Christian to be a generous channel of God's love by warmly welcoming and caring for those in need of food, shelter and friendship.  
**Is this your gift?**

Our Parish is blessed with many people who share their gifts/charisms within our Church and wider community. We give thanks to Tia and her gift of **MUSIC** – sharing her love of singing with others; to Isabelle and her gift of **HELPS** – supporting the Parish and youth Mass; and to Jasmine and her charism of **MUSIC** – together with friends, supporting the youth Mass. We thank them for sharing their gifts with us and our community and ultimately we thank GOD who has given them.

### HOSPITAL VISITS

We continue to have difficulty in being supplied names of people in hospital, so we ask that you ring the Parish Centre to advise the priests of who is in hospital and if they would like a visit. Many thanks for your help in this matter.

### Reconciliation Prayer

Holy Father, God of Love,  
You are the Creator of all things.

We acknowledge the pain and shame of our history and the sufferings of Our peoples, and we ask your forgiveness.

We thank you for the survival of Indigenous cultures.

Our hope is in You because You gave your Son Jesus to reconcile the world to You.

We pray for your strength and grace to forgive, accept and love one another, as you love us and forgive and accept us in the sacrifice of your Son.

Give us the courage to accept the realities of our history so that we may build a better future for our Nation.

Teach us to respect all cultures.

Teach us to care for our land and waters.

Help us to share justly the resources of this land.

Help us to bring about spiritual and social change to improve the quality of life for all groups in our communities, especially the disadvantaged.

Help young people to find true dignity and self-esteem by your Spirit.

May your power and love be the foundations on which we build our families, our communities and our Nation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Wontulp Bi-Buya Indigenous Theology Working Group 13 March 1997 Brisbane, Qld).

**Prayer during the Year of Youth**

Father, as we embrace the Year of Youth,  
we pray to Jesus, the risk taker.

Give us a dose of courage to take  
compassionate steps to respect and rebuild our world.  
Help us to restore the soil, the water and the air.

Let us encounter You in a friend in trouble, supporting  
them to feel safe, valued, accepted and loved.

Fire us with energy and enthusiasm to be leaders,  
thinkers and social activists.

Open our hearts to You and new horizons  
for spreading joy.

Amen

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**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Year B**

**Entrance Antiphon**

He fed them with the finest wheat  
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

**A reading from the book Exodus 24:3-8**

**4:32-34, 39-40**

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

The word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm:**

(R.) I will take the cup of salvation,  
and call on the name of the Lord.

How can I repay the Lord  
for his goodness to me?

The cup of salvation I will raise;  
I will call on the Lord's name. (R.)

O precious in the eyes of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful.

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;  
you have loosened my bonds. (R.)

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:  
I will call on the Lord's name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil  
before all his people. (R.)

**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 9:11-15**

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

The word of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;  
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

**Alleluia!**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to**

**Mark 14: 12-16,22-26**

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.' After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

The Gospel of the Lord.

<b>Readings for 10/6/2018</b>	
<b>10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B</b>	
<b>1st Reading:</b>	Genesis 3: 9-15
<b>Psalm:</b>	Ps 129
<b>2nd Reading:</b>	2 Corinthians 4: 13 - 5: 1
<b>Gospel:</b>	Mark 3: 20-35