



St Patrick's, Paynesville

THE PARISH OF BAIRNSDALE AND OMEO

East Region – Diocese of Sale

BAIRNSDALE, PAYNESVILLE, LINDENOW,

OMEO, SWIFTS CREEK & BENAMBRA

OUR VISION

We are a welcoming community where the word of God, through the message of Jesus Christ, is made known and lived.

OUR MISSION

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.

To strengthen and grow our faith.

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2nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME, Year C, 16th January, 2022

We acknowledge the Gunaikurnai people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country. We pay respect to elders past, present and emerging, and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

Weekend Mass Times

St Mary's Bairnsdale

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am

St Patrick's, Paynesville

Sunday: 8:00am

St Canice's, Lindenow

2nd & 4th Sunday each month: 11am

Swifts Creek, Omeo & Benambra -

January, March, May, July, September and November.

Sacred Heart, Swifts Creek

4th Saturday: 6:30pm

Immaculate Conception, Omeo

4th Sunday: 9:00am

St Francis, Benambra

4th Sunday: 11am

Weekday Masses @ St Mary's

Monday to Friday: 9:10am

RECONCILIATION is available on

Friday after 9:10am Mass

Saturday 9:30am - 10:00am and

5:30pm to 5:50pm

Readings - 23/01/2022 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading:

Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 18:8-10,15

2nd Reading:

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

New Mass Times for the Parish of Bairnsdale and Omeo.

St Mary's Bairnsdale: Saturday 6pm and Sunday 9:30am (the same as 2021)

St Patrick's Paynesville: Sunday 8am (the same as 2021)

St Canice's Lindenow: 2nd & 4th Sunday of every month 11am - Changed

Sacred Heart Swift's Creek: 4th Saturday 6:30pm in Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept & Nov.

Immaculate Conception Omeo: 4th Sunday 9am in Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept & Nov.

St Francis of Assisi Benambra: 4th Sunday 11am Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept & Nov.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Louis Pruscino, John Pruscino, Shirley McKenna, victims of: mental health issues; Covid-19; terrorist attacks, war and conflict; asylum seekers; family violence and poverty.

ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES occur at this time...

Fr John O'Kelly, Keith Murray, Syd Clarke, Frank Melrose, Kerrie Sroczyński, Faye Pruscino, Joe Garro, Lena Neligan, Paul Rowe, Annuziata Rettino, Jack Deery, Lawrence Liccione, Beryl Seib, Jim Prendergast, Susan Collier, Annie Rijs, Joyce Boland, Oreste Capobianco, John Websdale, Kath Byrne, Dennis (Danny) Phelan, Bill Cole, Peter Scott, Vonnie Sroczyński, baby Lisiate Tuliakiono, and the priests who have worked in the Diocese.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace."

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THE SICK:

Paul Fitzgerald, Fr Pax Scarf OFM, Bin Li (husband of Liah), Bob Marshall, Shirley Gilmore (Mary Rowe's sister), Victoria Shaw, Paul Hawker, Vin Ayres (brother of Pat Coloe), Michael Flynn, Mark Rashleigh, Ambrosio (Tony) Da Cunha - Asqueli, Marsha Worseldine, Arthur Elbourne, Jim Quigley, Arthur Roberts, Margaret O'Reilly, Maree Elbourne, Ella Ford (NZ), Damian Greaves, Carmen Golonski (Grimsted), Craig Counsel, Linton Smith, Andre Buxton, Marcie Hayles, Brian Rowe, Vic Smythe.

Please remember all parishioners who are unwell or recovering from illness or surgery.

Those on the "sick list" will remain on it for one month. Please contact the Parish Centre to extend this time.

Roster for Masses - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 22nd/23rd January 2022

	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Special Minister
6:00pm Sat	P Reefman	C Marriot Smith	J Peachey	C Power
9:30am Sun	R David	D Fallon	F Brown Graham	J Coverdale

Cleaning: Fortnight ending: 22nd January: J & D Fallon

Please find a replacement if unable to fill your spot.

WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Our Parish of The Immaculate Conception (also known as St Mary's) is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk. Our Safeguarding Officer is Kath Cassidy who can be contacted via the Parish Centre 5152 2942; or Police 5150 2600; or Towards Healing 1800 816 030.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Entrance Antiphon

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (62:1-5)

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch. The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken,' nor your land 'Abandoned,' but you shall be called 'My Delight' and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding.

Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

O sing a new song to the Lord,/ sing to the Lord all the earth./ O sing to the Lord, bless his name. **R.**

Proclaim his help day by day,/ tell among the nations his glory/ and his wonders among all the peoples. **R.**

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,/ give the Lord glory and power,/ give the Lord the glory of his name. **R.**

Worship the Lord in his temple./ O earth, tremble before him.

Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'/ He will judge the peoples in fairness. **R.**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (12:4-11)

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (2:1-11)

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now,' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from - only the servants who had drawn the water knew - the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now.' This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

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Gospel Reflection:

It was the first of His signs. It would not be the last. As the first, it was significant in that it provided the background and context for the signs that would follow. Jesus' mother had cooperated with him, even though indirectly. At this stage, her involvement was no more than the (highly significant) direction: Do whatever he tells you.

To what did the Sign point? Joy and Abundance. The meaning would become clearer in the light of further signs, but basically it promised joy - abundant and unimaginable joy, so graphically symbolised by the profusion of wine. The author wrote in the hope that his readers, through "believing, might have life in his (Jesus') name". He wished to describe that life in terms of joy. Life would be like a joyful, intricate dance, ever unfolding, never ending.

Intimacy and new Life. The occasion had been a wedding, a celebration of intimate love, of unfolding partnership and of fertility. The occasion pointed to a whole new era of intimate love, partnership and fruitfulness between God and humanity, made possible by the presence and action of Jesus.

In commenting that Jesus revealed his glory, the Gospel saw the sign at Cana as pointing to all that would be revealed in the other signs that would follow, particularly the final sign of Jesus' death and resurrection. Until then, the disciples' insight into the glory of Jesus would be incomplete.

John McKinnon - 'Together into Life'

PRAYER FOR PLENARY COUNCIL

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus,

our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.