



St Patrick's - Paynesville

THE PARISH OF BAIRNSDALE AND OMEO

Eastern 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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3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B, 24th January 2021

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.

RECONCILIATION:

Friday: after 9:10am Mass

Saturday: 9:30am—10:00am
5:30pm— 5:50pm

MASS TIMES:

St Mary's Church, Bairnsdale

Monday: 9:10am

Tuesday: 9:10am

Wednesday: 9:10am

Thursday: 9:10am

Friday: 9:10am

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am

St Patrick's, Paynesville

Sunday: 8:00am

St Canice's, Lindenow

Sunday: 11:00am

Prayer for the 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED: Barry Darmody, Dennis (Danny) Phelan, Jan Cosse, Robert Coleman, Sr Isla Kealy PBVM (also known as Sr Gregory), Bill Warner, Val Jamieson, victims of mental health issues; victims of Covid-19; victims of terrorist attacks, war and conflict and asylum seekers; and victims of family violence and poverty.

ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES occur at this time... Vittorio Saulle, Kath Byrne, Karen Skeen, Rod Nicholson, Jenny Scott, Patricia Wood, Eileen Ebert, Fr Bill Shanahan, Maria Parisotto, Maria Pukal, Jack Clark, Gwen Morgan, Keith Murray, Syd Clarke, Frank Melrose, Kerrie Sroczyński, Faye Pruscino, Joe Garro, Lena Neligan, Paul Rowe, John (Jack) Deery, Lawrence Liccione, Beryl Seib, Benny Lamanna, 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: Damian Greaves, Mary Kirsner, Jim Quigley, Paul McFarlane, Craig Counsel, Linton Smith, Elizabeth Stehmann, John Butler, Arthur Elbourne, Roma Greig, Andre Buxton, Marcie Hayles, Rick Jones, Vic & Thelma Smythe, Alan Wilson, Trish & Karl Henderson, Brian Rowe, Lorraine O'Brien, John Graves, Julie Frew, John Pruscino, John Buck.

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

If you would like to keep someone on the sick list for a period of time,
please keep in contact the Parish Centre.

Roster for Masses 30th/31st January

6:00pm Saturday **Welcomer:** M Saunders **Commentator:** C Power **Reader:** C Kenyon

9:30am Sunday **Welcomer:** M Owen **Commentator:** H Van Den Einden **Reader:** A Vowell

Please find a replacement if unable to fill your spot.

GLUTEN FREE?

Anyone needing a GF host is asked to speak to the priest before Mass to organise.

WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Central to the mission of the Immaculate Conception Parish (known as St Mary's Parish) is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity, self-esteem and integrity of children and adults at risk and providing them with a safe, supportive, and enriching environment to develop spiritually, physically, Intellectually, emotionally, and socially.

If you wish to speak with someone phone: Kath 5152 2942; Police 5150 2600; or Towards Healing 1800 816 030.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Entrance Antiphon:

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

A reading from the prophet Jonah (3: 1-5, 10)

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth from the greatest to the least. God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. **R.**

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (7: 29-31)

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News! **Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (1: 14-20)

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets, he called them at once, and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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Gospel Reflection: Mark's Gospel is thought to be the earliest record of Jesus' life @ 68-73 AD, which Matthew and Luke used as a basic guide for their own Gospels. It was almost never read prior to Vatican 2 He was probably not an eyewitness to Jesus' ministry, but must have been considered a good representative of the way Jesus was preached in the larger church.

Our liturgical year starts with the sequence of Jesus' birth and commencement of His ministry. Mark starts his Gospel of Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of Malachi and Isaiah about a prophesied messenger (John the Baptist), crying in the Wilderness to prepare the way of the Lord. No mention is made of Jesus' life prior to the start of his ministry, and this is how many in the church at this time would not have had the later Gospel Christmas story as a lead in, as stories known in one part of the Christian world may not have been known in another.

Raymond E Brown

Today we are in danger of being drowned in bad news. Jesus began his ministry by announcing good news. What was this good news? The Kingdom of heaven had come. The kingdom stands for the fulfillment of the promises, the fullness of God's blessings, In short, the new order of things. Forgiveness is available. Recovery is possible. God's love is unconditional and is available to us in Christ. All we have to do is recognise our need and seek his help with humility and sincerity. Unless we repent we cannot hear the good news.

Flor McCarthy SDB

Fr Edwin Ogbuka is our new Assistant priest. He has come from Sale and he will be working throughout the East Gippsland region. He will stay at the Bairnsdale Presbytery. Please offer him some good East Gippsland hospitality.



We welcome into the Church through Baptism....

Ryder James Carter

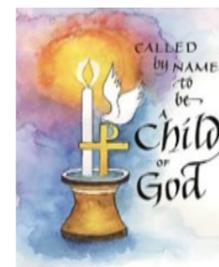
son of

Moesha Attard & Matthew Carter (Omeo)

& Zachariah Mallouk

son of

Agnieszka Busza & Achraf Mallouk



OUR COMMITMENT TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

We commit to making our Church a safe place for children and young people and protecting them from harm.



You are special and will always be welcome in our Church.



What you think and feel is important to us.

We will make sure our leaders and helpers understand their responsibilities to keep you safe.



We respect you just the way you are.



If you feel unsafe or are worried about someone else's safety, we will listen and take this seriously.



We will help you to be safe. This means that if you are being hurt or are in danger of being hurt, we will speak to the Police or another person who can help you.



St Marys Parish Bairnsdale Omeo

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