



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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#### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A-January 15, 2023

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.

<p><b>Weekend Mass Times</b>  <b>St Mary's Bairnsdale</b>          Saturday: 6:00pm          Sunday: 9:30am  <b>St Patrick's, Paynesville</b>          Sunday: 8:00am  <b>St Canice's, Lindenow</b>          2nd &amp; 4th Sunday: 11.00am  <b>Swifts Creek, Omeo &amp; Benambra</b>          From February—monthly  <b>Sacred Heart, Swifts Creek</b>          4th Saturday: 6:30pm  <b>Immaculate Conception, Omeo</b>          4th Sunday: 11:00am  <b>St Francis, Benambra</b>          4th Sunday: 9:00am</p>
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<p><b>Weekday Masses @ St Mary's</b>          Monday-Friday: 9:10am    <b>Paynesville:</b>            Wednesday: Rosary 10:00am</p>
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<p><b>Reconciliation</b> is available each  <b>Friday:</b> after 9:10am Mass  <b>Saturday:</b> 9:30am to 10:00am and          5:30pm to 5:50pm</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>January 21-22, 2023 Readings:</b>  <b>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A</b>          1st Reading: Isaiah 8:2-9 3          Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 26:1, 4, 13-14          2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17          Gospel: John Matthew 4:12-17</p>
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**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:** Cardinal George Pell, Sam Willemsen, Pope Benedict XVI, Ken Treasure, victims of natural disasters, mental health, COVID-19, terrorist attacks, war, conflict, asylum seekers, family violence and poverty.

**ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:** William Counihan, Jim Prendergast, Susan Collier, Annie Rijs, Joyce Boland, Oreste Capobianco, Bishop Noel Daly, Fr Joe Flynn, John Charles Websdale, Kath Byrne, Dennis Phelan, Jan Cosse, William Cole, Peter Scott, Vonnie Sroczynski, Adeline Zoppe, Noe Zoppe, Rudolfo Calvi, Sofia Mazzei, Pat Brennan, Angela Kirwan, Dot Rooks, Laura Ward, Helen Krambehr, Agnes Mary Duggan, William Warner, Alan Smullen, and 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 REMEMBER THE SICK:** Wade Matthews, Jan Coverdale, John Saunders, Kathleen Robertson, Mary Johnson, John Atkins, Rick Harney, Jim Duggan, George Burton, Fred Crea, Marie Ayres, John Spirason, Shirley Gilmore, Vin Ayres, Maree Elbourne, Margaret O'Reilly, Arthur Elbourne, Carmen Golonski (Grimsted), Linton Smith, Brian Rowe, Alan Casanelia.  
*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.*

#### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A—January 21-22, 2023

<b>MASS</b>	<b>WELCOMER</b>	<b>COMMENTATOR</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>SPECIAL MINISTER</b>	<b>OFFERTORY PROCESSION</b>
6.00pm Saturday	G Dooley	C Shanahan	D Reefman	K Flannery	
9:30am Sunday	M Owen	D Fallon	H Van Den Einden	P Pruscino	G and K Cassidy, J Coverdale
Cleaning: Fortnight ending: January 24 — C Marriot-Smith			<u>Please</u> find a replacement if unable to fill your spot.		

***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.***

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A January 14-15 2023**

**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!

**The Opening Prayer**

Almighty ever-living God, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah 49:3, 5-6**

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified';

I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

**Responsorial Psalm 39:2, 4, 7-10**

**R. Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.**

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. **R.**

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. **R.**

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. **R.**

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. **R.**

**PARISH CENTRE CLOSED**

The Parish Centre is closed and will reopen on January 23, 2023.

Any enquiries please ring the Presbytery:  
5152 3106

Alternatively contact Paul: 0418 377 076  
or Michael: 0408 403 455

**ALPHA IS COMING!**

An opportunity to explore your faith.

Contact Madelaine: 0400 576 291  
or Pattie: 0427 232 682

**A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1:1-3**

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God.

**Alleluia!**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 1:29-34**

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

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**Cardinal George Pell**

**June 8, 1941 - January 10, 2023**

**Rest In Peace**

