



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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The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God-January 1, 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.

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: 11.00am

Swifts Creek, Omeo & Benambra

From February—monthly

Sacred Heart, Swifts Creek

4th Saturday: 6:30pm

Immaculate Conception, Omeo

4th Sunday: 11:00am

St Francis, Benambra

4th Sunday: 9:00am

January 7-8 2023 Readings:

The Epiphany of the Lord

1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Collections: December 24-25, 2022

Envelopes: \$ 1035.00

DD and Cards: \$ 310.00

1st Collection: \$ 830.90

2nd Collection: \$ 1237.05

Pay Wave: \$ 130.00

Christmas Collections \$ 1205.45

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED: Bev Seehusen, 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: Saverio Calabro, Louis Pruscino, Sheila O'Brien, Ron Burton, Josephine Williamson, Robert Kelly, Jeffrey Redenbach, Kevin Grant, Albert Nelson, Eileen Dean, John Kolar, Leonie Bennett, Theresa Brown, Sheila Collins, Marion Hall, Noel Rooney Snr, Jean McCulloch, Shirley McKenna, Harold Batty, Jim Bennett, Barbara Grimsted, John Morris, Monica Smith, Desmond Hickling, 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: 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.

Weekday Masses @ St Mary's

Monday-Thursday: 9:10am

Friday: 11.00am

Jim Sperti Funeral Mass

Paynesville:

Wednesday: Rosary 10:00am

Reconciliation is available each

Friday: after 9:10am Mass

Saturday: 9:30am to 10:00am and

5:30pm to 5:50pm

Roster for Masses – The Epiphany of the Lord, Year A—January 7-8, 2023

MASS	WELCOMER	COMMENTATOR	READER	SPECIAL MINISTER	OFFERTORY PROCESSION
6.00pm Sat	J Peachey	B O'Kelly	K Flannery	M Saunders	
9:30am Sun	S Dean	A Chila	L Urban	G Neeson	M Owen, P Brown-Graham, H Sampson

Cleaning: Fortnight ending: January 24 — C Marriot-Smith Please 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.

The Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of the Lord December 31, 2022-January 1, 2023

Entrance Antiphon

Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King, who rules heaven and earth for ever.

The Opening Prayer

O God, who through the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary bestowed on the human race the grace of eternal salvation, grant, we pray, that we may experience the intercession of her, through whom we were found worthy to receive the author of life, 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 book of Numbers 6:22-27

The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 'Say this to Aaron and his sons: "This is how you are to bless the sons of Israel. You shall say to them: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord let his face shine on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord uncover his face to you and bring you peace." This is how they are to call down my name on the sons of Israel, and I will bless them.'

Responsorial Psalm 66:2-3, 5-6, 8

R. May God bless us in his mercy. God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice.

With fairness you rule the peoples. you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians 4:4-7

When the appointed time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born a subject of the Law, to redeem the subjects of the Law and to enable us to be adopted as sons. The proof that you are sons is that God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts: the Spirit that cries, 'Abba, Father,' and it is this that makes you a son, you are not a slave any more; and if God has made you son, then he has made you heir.

Gospel Acclamation

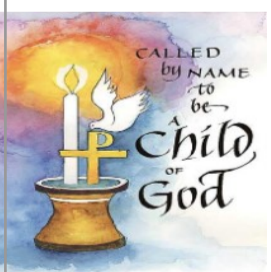

Alleluia, alleluia! In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; now he speaks to us through his Son.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 2:16-21

The shepherds hurried away to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. When they saw the child they repeated what they had been told about him, and everyone who heard it was astonished at what the shepherds had to say. As for Mary, she treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds went back glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen; it was exactly as they had been told. When the eighth day came and the child was to be circumcised, they gave him the name Jesus, the name the angel had given him before his conception.

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	<p>Baptism</p> <p>We welcome into our Parish Family</p> <p>Timoria Santos, daughter of Teresinha Maia & Zenilio Santos</p> <p>Sunday January 1, 2023</p>	
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<p><u>Bishop Greg's Christmas Message is available at:</u></p> <p>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mcKdKe--qUzfb4JDLvBgdfUSbmqhhCp/view?usp=sharing</p> <p>Please keep Pope Benedict in your prayers as he is gravely ill.</p>
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