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Our Lady Help of Christians



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Our Parishes, are committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Ministry District of Creswick, Daylesford and Wendouree

We acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung & Wadawurrung People as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which our Parish communities meet. We pay our respect to Elders, past, present and emerging

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest Fr Marcello Colasante Admin & Safeguarding Officer Leonie Keynes

Parish School Principals St Augustine's Creswick Michael Heenan 5345 2106

St Michael's Daylesford Tim Hogan 5348 1261

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Wendouree 6.00pm Sunday Waubra 1st Sunday 8.30 am Creswick 9.00am (First Sunday of each month Lay Led Assembly) Daylesford 10.30am

> Weekday Mass Times 24th-28th February Monday 10.30am **Funeral Waubra**

No weekday Mass this week as Fr Marcello attends the annual Diocesan Clergy retreat.

Advance Notice of dates

St Peter's Parish in Daylesford will celebrate a Vigil Mass on Saturday March 8th at 4.30pm, instead of Sunday March 9th 10.30am Mass.

Rite of Election - Saturday. March 1, at 12.30pm, St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat.

Mass of the Oils - Monday, April 14 at 1.00pm, St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat.

Morning Tea after Mass Today after the St Peter's 10.30am Mass in the

Parish Centre. All welcome

Ash Wednesday Mass Times To accommodate all three parishes in our Ministry District, Fr Marcello will celebrate the beginning of the season of Lent with the following Ash Wednesday services.

Tuesday March 4th 5.30pm Creswick Wednesday March 5th 9.30pm Daylesford Wednesday March 5th 12 noon Wendouree

Davlesford Parishioner Assistance This newly formed group received its first request for assistance this week, which was fantastic news.

Please note the phone number will be permanently listed in the section below St Peter's information, located in the top part of this newsletter on the left hand side.



If you need assistance with providing a lift to a medical appointment or if housebound and you need some shopping done, call **0419 931 242** during the day and a volunteer will help. Please notify in advance for appointments. In an emergency try calling anytime.

Project Compassion 2025: Unite against poverty this Lent

Project Compassion Launch 2025 will be at the 5.00pm Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on March 2nd 2025. All are welcome. Bishop Paul will commission Ambassadors for Caritas at this Mass.

Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope -Jubilee of Deacons: February 21-23, 2025

The Jubilee of Deacons has a theme: 'Deacons: Joyful Witnesses of Hope', reminding us that Deacons help bring the hope and love of Christ to a world which has lost hope.

Prayer for the Jubilee of Deacons

Loving God, St Paul understood his diakonia as the proclamation of the good news of reconciliation (2 Cor 5:12-20).

May deacons today help bring awareness of the Good News of Jesus to a world in need of hope.

St Paul also wrote that a deacon must have some essential qualities (1 Tim 3:8-13), including that he must be serious, not double-tongued, not a drunkard, not greedy, and must hold the mystery of faith with a clear conscience.

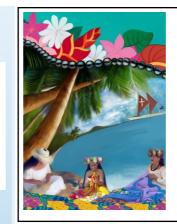
His family life should be exemplary. May deacons today be given the grace of God to hold to these ideals. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

2025 Sacramental Program The 2025 Sacramental Program for oth Parishes will be available for those children baptised Catholic. The

program will include Reconciliation ,Confirmation and Eucharist .The Parent information and enrolment meeting for the Daylesford Parish will be Tuesday March 11th at 5.00pm in the Parish Centre at St

Peter's Church ,situated near the Parish

office and Presbytery. If you need any further information please contact either the Parish office or St Michael's, St Augustine's Primary Schools.



World Day of Prayer Feature country Cook Islands

Creswick Friday March 7th 5.30pm St Augustine's Church, 117 Napier Street Creswick Hosted by the Catholic Church of Creswick

Daylesford Friday March 7th 2.30pm Anglican Christ Church 54 Central Springs Road Davlesford Hosted by the Anglican and Uniting Churches of Daylesford. Includes a speaker, talking about their travels to Cook Islands.

MASS OF THE OILS: MONDAY APRIL 14

The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 1pm on Monday, April 14. This Mass is a celebration of the whole Church of the Diocese of Ballarat. We celebrate the unity and ministry of the ordained priests in the midst of the entire priestly people of God of the Diocese.

Collection of Oils -We are looking for two volunteers from Creswick Parish and two from Daylesford Parish who will collect oils on behalf of their parishes at the end of the Mass. Please contact Leonie by March 14th if you would like to do this.



CatholicCare Victoria thanks you for your CatholicCare support of the Bishop's Christmas Appeal

The CatholicCare Victoria team extends its heartfelt gratitude to your parish community for

vour contribution to the Bishop's Christmas Appeal. As the recipient of the \$5,000 donation from the Bishop's Christmas Appeal proceeds, your generosity and compassion will help us to continue supporting families, individuals, children, young people and the elderly, in our community. We are the Catholic Church's mission in action and we empower people to live their life to the full. Our services range from supporting people who need help accessing aged care services, and remaining independent at home, those that are experiencing homelessness or are

at risk of homelessness; and those that are experiencing challenges with their mental health, or with relationships in their family. When families breakdown, we are there to ensure both parents and children have the support they need for their wellbeing and future. We have many services available in the Ballarat region and across Victoria. If you or someone you know needs support, please call 1800 123 228 or visit our website at <u>www.catholiccarevic.org.au</u>. Without the support of the parish communities like yours, we would not be able to continue our mission to build thriving communities, where everyone belongs. Together, we are making a positive difference in the lives of people every day!

Plenary Indulgence for the Jubilee Year 2025

During this Jubilee Year, which represents a time of grace and spiritual renewal

for the entire Church, is the gift of the plenary indulgence. Among the conditions required to receive a plenary indulgence is prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father, a gesture of deep communion with the Successor of Peter and with the universal mission of the Church. To foster and encourage this dimension of prayer, pilgrims are invited to join the Holy Father in prayer through, "Click To Pray", the Vatican's official prayer app. This digital platform is a true spiritual tool that accompanies the faithful with moments of prayer and reflection throughout the day. Furthermore, the app includes the official profile of the Holy Father, where all his prayer intentions are published, allowing the faithful to concretely unite with the intentions the Pope entrusts to the universal Church. Go to www.clicktopray.org to join in prayer with the universal Church



St Peter's Parish welcome Leo Daniele Paolini Child of Daniele & Jaymie Baptised at Daylesford this Sunday with Godparents Belinda and Mitchell.

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

February 23rd



COLLECTIONS DURING MASS

The custom in Parishes is for two collections to be taken up during Mass. **1st Collection** is for the support of the Bishop and the Priests of the Diocese. **2nd collection** is for the running costs of the Parish including maintenance, insurance, wages, utilities, grounds etc.

LET US PRAY **Recent Death** Michael Gallagher

Anniversaries for this week Creswick

Ronald Edwards, Kevin Haintz, Edna Kierce, Elizabeth McKay, Shannon McKnight, Ellen Pearce, Bob Taylor, Neil Taylor, Angelo Uljanic

Davlesford

Pauline Carmody, John Hare, Eva Lynch, Joan Mansour, Harvey Parson, Frank Wright

For those unwell John Coffey (Creswick) Martin Cummings (Daylesford) Carol & Ken Marshall (Daylesford) Glad Pretty (Daylesford)

Praying with Pope Francis February For vocations to the priesthood

and religious life: Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's nission in the priesthood and religious life.

The Jubilee Praver

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the *Gospel. May those seeds transform* from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.