



St Patrick's Parish Stawell and Landsborough St Mary's Parish Ararat and Lake Bolac



We acknowledge the Djap Wurrong people, the traditional custodians of our parish land.

We pay our respects to their elders past and present. We respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

Sunday October 3, 2021 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading

[Gen 2:18-24](#)

A reading from the book of Genesis
The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed: 'This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.' This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 127. R. v.5](#)

(R.) May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. (R.)
2. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. (R.)
3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life! May you see your children's children. On Israel, peace! (R.)

Second Reading

[Heb 2:9-11](#)

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
He who sanctifies, and those who are sanctified have one origin. We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind. As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

Gospel Acclamation

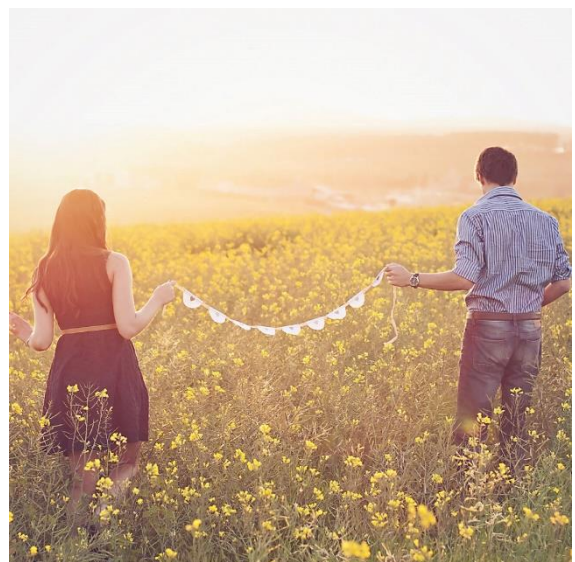
[cf. 1 Jn 4:12](#)

Alleluia, alleluia! If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love. Alleluia!

Gospel

[Mk 10:2-16](#)

A reading from the Gospel according to Mark
Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.' People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.



Mass Times

Ararat	Sunday 8.30am
Stawell	Sunday 10.30am
Lake Bolac	1 st 3 rd 5 th Sundays 6.30pm Vigil Sat
Landsborough	2 nd 4 th Sundays 6pm Vigil Sat
Glenthompson	(Hamilton Parish) 2 nd 4 th Sundays 8.30am

Aged Care Schedule

Eventide	1 st Wednesdays 11.15am
Lowe St	2 nd Wednesdays 11am
Garden View	3 rd Wednesdays 10.30am
ARV	4 th Wednesday 10am

Masses this Week

Stawell: Tues to Fri 10am
Landsborough: Tues 5th 6pm
Ararat: Wed 6th 9.30am // Fri 8th 11am with morning tea

Readings for Next Sunday Oct 10 (28th Sunday Yr B)

[Wis 7:7-11](#)// [Heb 4:12-13](#)// [Mk 10:17-30](#)

Recent Deaths Fr John Keane

Anniversaries Stawell

Mary Cameron 1995, Mary Ann Rutter 1997, Esther O'Gorman 1999, Sharyn Soule 2015, Rudjip Sexton 1943, Iris Gavan 2007, Evelyn Newall 2011, Margaret Day 1967, Nicola Martino 1957, John Toogood 1964, Doreen Brasier 1997, Mary Kindred 2016, Francis Evans 1961, David Stewart 1977

Anniversaries Ararat

Gerry Lillis, Ian Brown, Daniel Resnik, Bernice Lane, John McLaughlin, Robert Carmody, Margaret Thomas, Teresa O'Loughlan, Anne Hinchey, Rachel Gratton, Kevin Molloy, Lilian Young, Gladys McKenzie-McHarg

Please pray for Fr Eric Bryant, Dylan Vernon, Terry Weeks, Kate Wilson, Sally Rook, Julie Neale, Margaret Hassall, Jenny Sharman, Anne-Marie Joyce

Anne-Marie Joyce wishes to thank all who prayed for her in her need. Her back surgery was successful and, although she still has a long way road ahead she is doing well.

Golden Gate Roster

October 3 Libby // 10 Harry Anna // 17 Jim Jan // 24 Libby // Harry Anna
November 7 Teresa // 14 Jim Jan // 21 Libby // Harry Anna

Lake Bolac Roster

Sat 2/10 Reader Phillip Meek // Prayers of Faithful Damian Phillips // Cleaning Leanne Breen
Sat 16/10 Reader Leanne Breen // Prayers of Faithful Phillip Meek // Cleaning Irene Meek

20 Person Limit – Please book in for Mass

Thanks to everyone who has booked in for Mass to be among the twenty people. The booking sheets are near the lectern in Stawell and on the office door in Ararat. There is no need to book for Landsborough and Lake Bolac

Good News! 150 people at Mass is coming!

It may be that our numbers will increase to 150 during November. After 18 months of restrictions this will be something to celebrate. It may be that double vaccinations will be required to come to Sunday Mass. If this is likely to be difficult please speak to Fr Andrew to see how we can help you.

Stawell CWL News – Covid Permitting

On Thursday 7th October, the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary, we will pray the rosary after 10am Mass.

We will hold a Mass for deceased members on Wednesday 10th Nov at 10am.

We plan to have a cuppa after Sunday Mass on 14th November and 12th Dec.

We will hold our AGM on Thursday 25th Nov at 1.30pm.

We will organise a Parish Christmas lunch on Thursday 2nd Dec. Time and location to be announced nearer the time.

Our Lady's statue is once again out of lockdown and circulating in the parish.

Gloria Pickering is Retiring

After 15 years as our parish finance officer Gloria has decided to retire and will finish in the coming weeks. When Covid allows we will have a suitable "thank you." I personally am very grateful for Gloria's kindness to me in my first 18 months in the Stawell parish.

Ararat Office Closed for Two Days – The office will be closed on October 14 and 15

Palms Australia - All professions and trades are called to assist this mission

Since 1961 Palms Australia has quietly prepared and supported humble Catholics like you for mission. It's our response as church to calls from Australian and overseas communities to help bring opportunity to the poor. Sharing your skills with local co-workers helps them to develop their essential community organisations. Improving their self-reliance aids sustainable poverty reduction and removes dependence on foreign aid and influence. Your relationships within the local community will transform your heart and soul. To be prepared for a 2022 placement by Friday October 29. Visit palms.org.au Email palms@palms.org.au



Plenary Council Finally Beginning! Sunday October 3 marks the beginning of the Plenary Council. We can follow along with many of the Masses and other sessions of the first Assembly. Go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au to find the links



October 3: Opening Mass of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia, 2pm AEDT from St Mary's Cathedral in Perth.

October 4-9: Daily Mass broadcast at 9.30am AEDT and on demand afterwards.

October 4-6 and October 8-9: Plenary session livestream starts at 11am AEDT and runs until approximately 12.15pm AEDT.

October 7: Plenary session livestream starts at 12 noon AEDT and runs until approximately 12.45pm AEDT.

October 10: Closing Mass of the First General Assembly, 11am AEDT from St Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane.

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: *That Catholic Shop* is an exciting development of ACN Australia. It is a go-to shop for Catholic gifts and devotional items. From Sacramental gifts, statues, books, rosaries, Christmas items and more, there is something for everyone. The purchases you make at TCS go to support the work of *Aid to the Church in Need* to keep the faith alive in those places where it is most at risk. To browse our full range visit www.thatcatholicshop.com.

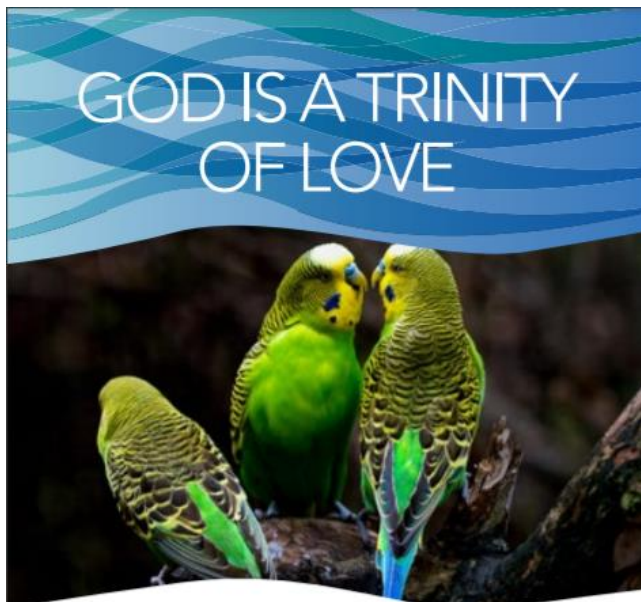


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Australian Catholic Bishops Social Justice Statement

<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2021/06/24/social-justice-statement-2021-22/>

There are a number of prayer cards supporting this year's Social Justice Statement. If room allows we will include them in the coming weeks' bulletins. They can be found at the link above.



*The three-person God is a Trinity of love.
Every creative act and every part of creation
emerges from this divine interplay of love.*

**Social Justice Statement 2021-22:
Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor**



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Creator God,
Creative Word,
Creating Spirit,
instil in us the humility of creatures
and the wisdom of co-creators.

May we act and speak and breathe
as if within your dance of divine love.

Open us to marvel at the wonder
of your handiwork.
Enable us to see your spirit within all things.
Teach us to respect all that is created.
Humble us to hear the cry of the earth
and the cry of the poor.
Empower us to respond with all our heart and
mind and spirit.

In Christ and through the Spirit
we seek to be the carers within your creation,
Creator God.

AMEN

Parish Directories

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Office Hours	Thursday Friday 9am – 3pm	Closed for Now - contact Ararat
Churches	St Mary's Church 304 Barkly St Ararat St Bernard's Church 76 Montgomery St Lake Bolac	St Patrick's Church 27 Patrick St Stawell St Francis of Assisi Church 76 McKinlay St Landsborough
Safe Guarding Officer	Emma Coburn	Helen Potter
Funeral Ministry	Joan Fitzpatrick, Sr. Maree Harry Collins & Sioux Reid	Kevin Dallinger, Mary-Rita Thomas
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Parish Finances

If you would like to donate to a parish, or use for your planned giving please see the details below. Many thanks

Details for Ararat Parish:

Parish Account "Main Church Account"

Presbytery Account "Presbytery Account"

Westpac Bank **BSB** 033 201 // Acc 810035

Westpac Bank **BSB** 033 201 //Acc 810043

Details for Stawell Parish

Parish Account **BSB** 013 815 **Acc:** 286326347

Presbytery Account **BSB** 013 815 **Acc:** 286326355