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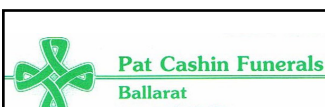
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Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre (MMHC)

'Cuppa with Mary': Mary MacKillop Museum that tells Mary and the SOSJ's story. Entry is free. Do a walking tour of the Mary MacKillop Heritage trail and Mary's place of birth. Consider organising a parish group and have a 'Cuppa with Mary'. Group bookings which includes a presentation, tour and prayer reflection in the Chapel where Mary prayed cost \$20.00 per person. Contact Kate, ph. 9926 9300 for a group booking.

Mary MacKillop Gift shop: With Easter coming up, please consider supporting the work of the Sisters of St Joseph by purchasing a present from the Museum Gift Shop (communion & confirmation gifts, devotional items, Vatican Library collection, rosary beads, holding crosses, candles, cards, statues, crucifixes, books and Peruvian handmade items).

Accommodation Specials: With Melbourne opening up again, book a stay at the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre Accommoda-

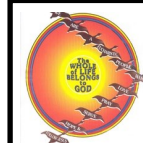
COVID Safe Plan

Checking-in is no longer required. Face masks are no longer required in most indoor settings but they are still recommended. Carry a mask when leaving home. They are strongly recommend if you have any COVID-19 symptoms, are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19 and/or are outdoors and cannot physically distance.

- If you are feeling unwell or have any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough or sore throat) please do not attend Mass.
- If you are waiting results of a COVID test, stay home.
- Please use the hand sanitiser available upon entering the Church.

We appreciate your assistance in helping stop the spread of the virus.

Child Safe Church The Parishes of St Columba's & Our Lady Help of Christians (including Lexton, Miners Rest and Waubra) follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we also implement procedures and standards as directed by the Ballarat Diocesan Office. You can download our Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy from the Parish website or on the foyer notice board. If you have any concerns whatsoever—please contact the Parish Office, Fr. Marcello or one of the Safe Guarding Officers at wendouree@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ballaratnorth@ballarat.catholic.org.au



Parishes of St Columba's and Our Lady Help of Christians

Communities of Ballarat North, Lexton, Miners Rest, Waubra, Wendouree

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St Columba's

Office Hours: Tues—Wed
9:00am—1:00pm

Our Safeguarding Officer:
Peter Marquand

Our Lady Help of Christians

Parish Co-ordinator and
Safeguarding Officer:
Maree Roache

MASS TIMES (This week)

St Columba's

Sunday 10:00 am
Wednesday No Mass

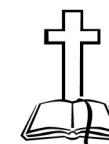
Our Lady Help of Christians

Waubra 1st & 3rd Sunday 8.30 am
Beaufort 2nd & 4th Sunday 8.30 am
Lexton 5th Sunday 8.30 am
Wendouree
Saturday 6:00 pm
Thursday: 11.00am (Kelaston)
Friday: 10:00 am

Readings for Next Weekend:

2nd Sunday of Lent

- Genesis 15:5–12, 17–18
- Psalm 26(27):1, 7–9, 13–14
- Philippians 3:17–4:1
- Luke 9:28–36



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Responsorial Psalm: (R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.
Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Recently Deceased: We commend to God: Val Pattie (NSW) Margo Conaughton,
Betty Fitzpatrick, Cyril Potthiyittel

Anniversaries: We remember : Peter Baker, Joan Thomas, Anoja Stanislaus

We pray: Those in need of our prayers; all the sick in our Parishes including Margaret Christie.

Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
 who change the hardened heart
 and break the power of violence,
 We entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;
 Let them know not death but life,
 not slavery but freedom.

You ae Father of all;
 We are brothers and sisters.
 Give us strength
 to live that truth in love.
 Choosing peace not war.
 Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.



Biru 30, lives in a rural village in Jhark and State in India's east. He lost mobility in one of his legs, after contracting polio as a child, which makes it difficult for him to walk. With your generous support, Biru was able to access an entrepreneurship and livelihoods development program, run by Caritas Australia's partner, Caritas India. He gained the skills, support and encouragement he needed to establish his own bicycle repair business.

Now, Biru is able to provide a good life for his family – and an essential service to his community. He has discovered a sense of pride, confidence and hope which has inspired others living with a disability and paved the way *For All Future Generations*.

Caritas Lenten Conversations

Caritas is running on-line events during the weeks of Lent with day and evening times. https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find_Help/Flood_appeal/. This weeks sharing is Biru's story and session times are;

- March 14-17**
 March 15 11.30am
 March 16 2.30pm and 10.00pm
 March 17 11.30am

These sessions are open to all.

St Columba's March 20	(next week)	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR		
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Vinnies Flood Appeal

https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find_Help/Flood_appeal/

Vinnies are accepting donations for those affected by the flood disaster. The website offers opportunity to donation to Queensland, New

South Wales or both. To find out more go to https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find_Help/Flood_appeal/

We pray for the victims of flooding throughout the low-lying Brisbane suburbs, as well as the Gympie, Maryborough, Ipswich and Sunshine Coast regions of South-East Queensland and Northern, North Eastern and Southern communities of New South Wales.

Invitation to Blessing of Statue of St. Patrick

A statue of St Patrick will be placed and blessed in St Patrick's Cathedral by Bishop Paul Bird CSsR during Evening Prayer (Vespers) on the Vigil of St Patrick's Day (Wednesday, March 16) at 7.00pm. On St Patrick's Day itself, there will be Masses at 10.00am and 7.00pm. Fr Ed Moloney and Fr Abraham Thomas will preside and acknowledge the blessing of the statue during those Masses.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

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Garage Sale

Ballarat Rural Australians for Refugees are holding a garage sale on Saturday 19th March. The Ballarat RAR need to raise funds to meet the ongoing commitments of housing, transport, education, health and general living expenses for refugees and people seeking asylum, many of whom are denied work rights and government benefits. Where: CBD end of Skipton Street. (No.111). Contact: rarballarat@gmail.com



Family Group - Time Out

Sunday March 20, lunch at the Golf House, 920 Doveton St, in a private room at 12 noon. Please let Tricia and Geoff know if you are attending. Senior's menu available.

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – Online Study now open

Our partner, Dayton University, offers low-cost (\$50usd) online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parishes. Study cycles are over 3 or 5 weeks. The next Cycle of 2022 begins April 25. There are 29 subjects to choose from – find one that interests you! Registrations are open now. More information is available on the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/pastoral/pastoral->



Support for our senior parishioners

A request has been made for assistance with transport to and from Mass from a parishioner. In an endeavour to reach out to be inclusive of all our parishioners with this same need, it was felt it would be advantageous to hold a meeting to provide an opportunity to discuss this matter and respond to any queries people may have. More information coming.

Ministries for Good Friday and Easter Vigil

A form is in the OLHC church foyer calling for volunteers for the various ministries at these masses. Readers, Communion Ministers, Prayers of the Faithful, If you are attending and would like to participate please record your name on the form.



History of the Anniversary of the election of Pope Francis

Pope Francis is the 266th Pope and replaced Pope Benedict XVI who had been pope since 2005 but had unexpectedly resigned on February 28th 2013. Francis was born Jorge Mario Bergoglio in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1936. Bergoglio worked briefly as a chemical technologist and nightclub bouncer before

turning to the church. He was ordained a Catholic priest in 1969 and became the Archbishop of Buenos Aires in 1998. He was made a cardinal in 2001 by Pope John Paul II. Following the resignation of Pope Benedict XVI on February 28th 2013, a papal conclave elected Bergoglio as his successor on March 13th. He chose Francis as his papal name in honour of Saint Francis of Assisi. Francis is the first Jesuit pope, the first from the Americas, the first from the Southern Hemisphere. We pray for Pope Francis on the anniversary of his election as pope: That God will sustain him in his ministry, inspire his teaching, and help him to lead the Church to greater faith and love.

Accessed on:

<https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/vatican-city/pope-francis-election>

Advance Notice:

Mass of Oils: 11th April Reconciliation OLHC Tues 12th April
Good Friday: 15th April Easter Sunday: 17th April

OLHC March 19	(next week)	Saturday 6:00 pm
LEADER OF SONG		Vin Dillon
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		Elly Green
FIRST MINISTER OF THE WORD		Ena Bruty, VinDillon
COMMUNION MINISTERS		Tony Bruty, Jennifer Adams
SACRISTAN		Marg & Geoff McLean
Waubra Church cleaning	March	Kerryn & Lawrence Gallagher

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