



### **St Peter's Church: Sunday**

Mass time 10.30am.

### **St Augustine's Sunday**

Mass time 8.45am.

### **St Joseph's Blampied**

Midland Hwy

### **Parish Staff:**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Gary Jones

### **Parish Admin:**

Leah Monaghan

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### **Creswick School Principal:**

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### **Daylesford School Principal:**

Mr Ethan Corfee

### **Parish Office hours:**

*Tuesday—Creswick 9.30–11am*

*Daylesford 12—3pm*

*Wednesday Daylesford 9.30 - 3pm*

*Closed Thursday*

*Friday Daylesford 12—1pm*

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# NEWSLETTER

## REFLECTION by Greg Sunter

Because the focus of this week's gospel passage is usually placed on poor old doubting Thomas, we sometimes overlook the way the passage begins. The disciples are huddled in a room, 'for fear of the Jews'. Just a couple of weeks earlier they had been on top of the world. Jesus was enormously popular with the people, and the disciples, by association, were caught up in that affection. Their man, the one they had chosen to follow, was making waves and stirring the authorities – thumbing his nose at the rules. This, of course, made the disciples feel good to be around Jesus. However, in the space of just a few short days, their world had turned upside down. They'd gone from riding the crest of a wave to being utterly dumped! They were cowering in a closed up room, afraid for their lives in case those who handed Jesus over for death came for them as well. They'd already had an experience of the resurrected Jesus yet they were still hiding and afraid. Into this fear and uncertainty steps Jesus who says, 'Peace be with you'. It is a reminder of Jesus calming the storm out on the lake – in the midst of turmoil and anxiety he brings peace and calm.

Thomas has received a pretty bad rap for the last 2000 years, forever labelled as 'Doubting Thomas' because he wasn't prepared to take someone else's word for the fact that Jesus had risen. However, despite his demand for evidence, once Jesus is before him, he abandons all his thoughts about placing his fingers in the wounds and proclaims, 'My Lord and my God!' This is an absolutely extraordinary statement of faith. For the very first time, someone recognises Jesus, not as Messiah, prophet or Lord, but as God.



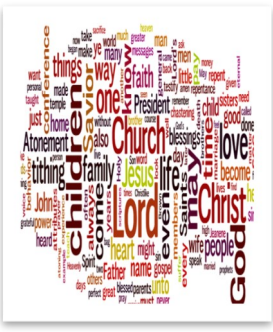
Baptism



### *Congratulations to*

Tim and Kaitlin O'Halloran on the Baptism of their daughter *Mila Kate*

Nathan and Michelle de Sachau on the Baptism of their son *Jaxon Henri*



**Last Week's Collections:** *Two collections are presented after the Prayers of the Faithful. The 1<sup>st</sup> Collection is cash toward the Presbytery for the sustenance of our Priest – with a contribution of 13% to provide support for our retired priests and the Diocese. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection is the Planned Giving (envelopes) or cash for the administration of the Parish & general running costs*

Creswick Parish Collections: 1st Collection \$971.40 2nd Collection \$220.90  
 Daylesford Parish Collections: 1st Collection \$1044.60 2nd Collection \$318.30



**Recent Death:**

**Anniversaries:** Daylesford: Nell Adami, Tommo Spis, Albert Courtney, Joseph Dwyer, Kenneth Cantillon, Mary Sutton, Nellie Chavlier, Dorothy Wake

**Anniversaries:** Creswick: Mary Campbell, John Nelson, Norman Ross, Harold Lewis,

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church Clunes are having an afternoon to farewell their French harmonium organ before it is moved to the Clunes Museum. This organ is a rather rare instrument. Also it will be the last opportunity people will have to come to St. Thomas Aquinas Church Clunes as the church has been sold.

This event will be SUNDAY 29th of April at 2.30pm. The pews and fittings from the church have been removed, and if people coming need to sit for this short event please bring a chair. Afternoon tea will be provided at the conclusion of this event. Any inquires please phone 0432 390 314 or 54766233

The Diocesan Archive is holding a small exhibition featuring the Irish contribution to our heritage as evidenced in the collection 9.30am – 4.30pm, Saturday April 14th & Sunday April 15th upstairs at St Patrick's Hall Ballarat. Entry gold coin donation. Enquiries to Diocesan Archivist Michael Taffe 0401625236. - All welcome.

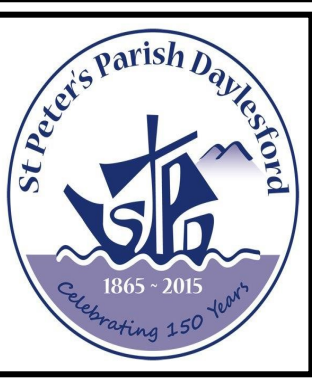


# Liturgy Roster Creswick & Daylesford Parishes:



**Sunday April 15th @ St Augustine's Creswick:**

**Welcomers/Offertory:** Brian R, Maria Marco **Remote:** Alastair H  
**Commentator:** Bernie T **Reader:** Betty K  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Barb H, Margie G, Angeline T  
**Weekday Mass: Tuesday 10am**



**Sunday April 15th @ St Peter's Daylesford**

**Reader:** S Whiffin **Offertory:** Monaghan Family **Ministers:** R Thannhauser, C Bolton, M Yanner **Sacristan:** Denise  
**Counters:** Apr 8 (Team 6) F & K Stephens, T Torpy, V & M Richards  
 Apr 15 (Team 7) W Chamberlain, S Whiffin  
**Weekday Mass: Thursday & Friday 10am**