



**Holy Spirit
Parish
Gariwerd**

**Sunday July 21st, 2024
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B**

St Patrick's Stawell, Immaculate Conception Ararat, St Francis of Assisi Landsborough and St Bernard's Lake Bolac form Holy Spirit Parish, Gariwerd. We acknowledge recognise and respect the elders and families of the Barengi Gadjin and Eastern Maar people, the traditional owners of the land on which our parish gathers. We commit ourselves to walking in unity with our First Nations people.

First Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah
‘Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them anymore; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks! ‘See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22. R. v.2

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **(R.)**

2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff, with these you give me comfort. **(R.)**

3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians
In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

Gospel Acclamation

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel

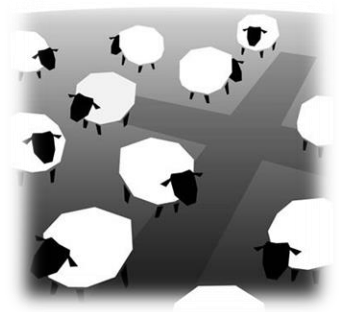
Mark 6:30-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, ‘You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while’; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.



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Mass Times

Ararat Sunday 8.30am
Stawell Sunday 10.30am
Lake Bolac 1st 3rd 5th Sundays 6.30pm Vigil Sat
Landsborough 2nd 4th Sundays 12.30pm
Glenthompson (Hamilton Parish) 2nd 4th Sundays 8.30am

Readings for next Sunday

28th July 2024
2 Kings 4:42-44/Ephesians 4:1-6/John 6:1-15

Weekday Masses (usual schedule)

Tuesday: 10am Stawell (Check bulletin for occasional changes)
Wednesday: Aged Care
Thursday: 2.30pm Hopkins
Friday: 11am Ararat **held in the Presbytery**(Check bulletin for occasional changes)

Aged Care Roster

1st Wednesday 11.15am Eventide
2nd Wednesday 10am Lowe St
3rd Wednesday 10am Garden View
4th Wednesday 10am ARVillage

Anniversaries

Vince Gemmola, Robert Oliver, Laurie Walsh, Brian Molony, Norma Schwab, Rem Pezzutti, Heinz Helmich, Frances Miller, Arthur Oates 1943, Charles Hooper 1956, Joan Ryan 2001, Fr Bill O'Connell, Helen Grano, Helen Stevens, George Driscoll, Russell McLean, Patricia Gilliland 2005, Faith Murphy nee Murray 1987, William Smith, Fr Peter Elder, Lorna Weeding, Sr. Marie Feiss CSB, Sr Aileen Vear CSB, Peter Smeaton 1989, Fr Jim Green, Margaret Skidmore, George Smythe, Helen Grace 1979, Timothy Nicholson 2001, Vera Hayes, Patrick Dinan 1958, Noel Pollock 1991, Reginald Clark 2002, Laurence Cashin, Stan Parker, Bridget McGuan 1958, Mary Healy 1994, Carmel Kelly, Thomas Fitzgerald 1959, Amy McKeon 1980, Christopher Peters 2007

Lake Bolac Roster

Sat Jul 20th Reader Mick Brennan/ Prayer of Faithful Rosemary Liston
Sat Aug 3rd Reader Deb Glasson/ Prayer of Faithful Tricia Higgins/ Cleaning Tricia Higgins

Ararat Roster

Sun 21st July Facilitator Pat McA/ Reader Jenny McA/ Euch Min C McAdie
Sun 28th July Facilitator Harry/ Reader Charlie R/ Euch Min Anna C
Sun 4th Aug Facilitator Pat McA/ Reader Jenny McA/ Euch Min Nora
Sun 11th Aug Facilitator Peter B / Reader/ Charlie / Euch Min Genara
Sun 18th Aug Facilitator Pat L/ Reader Elizabeth S / Euch Min Marg M
Sun 25th Aug Facilitator C McAdie/ Reader Peter B / Euch Min Marg O

Stawell Roster

Sun Jul 21st S/Minster K Ashton /Reader M R Thomas/ Offertory M McGaffin
Sun Jul 28th S/Minster M Rowe /Reader C Barker/ Offertory G Pascall
Sun Aug 4th S/Minster M R Thomas /Reader K Dallinger/ Offertory Heenan Family
Sun Aug 11 S/Minster K Ashton /Reader D O'Donnell/ Offertory J Croton
Sun Aug 18 S/Minster M Maestros /Reader G Madafferi/ Offertory Pascual Family
Sun Aug 25 S/Minster H Potter /Reader M Howard/ Offertory L Habben

Stawell CWL will host a cuppa in St Pat's Church hall on Sunday 21st July after 10:30 Mass. Everyone welcome

Stawell CWL next meeting will be in St Pat's Church hall on Friday 2nd August at 2pm.

Sea Sunday: July 21 & 28, 2024

Sea Sunday is a day when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be an Appeal for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Funds collected will be used to provide practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. To donate or for more information go to www.stellamarisaustralia.org

Prayer for Sea Seafarers from Pope John Paul II

Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean, guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas that they may reach the haven of peace and light prepared in Him who calmed the sea. As we set forth upon the oceans of the world and cross the deserts of our time, show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost. Pray that we will never fail on life's journey, that in heart and mind, work and deed, in days of turmoil and in days of calm, we will always look to Christ and say, "Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?" Our Lady of Peace, pray for us! Bright Star of the Sea, guide us! Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for seafarers, pray for us.

Save the Date: Diocesan Social Justice Commission Reflection Day

The Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission invite all to a Reflection Day, in celebration of the launch of the Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2024-2025, "Truth and Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World" on Saturday, September 7, 2024 from 10.00am - 2.30pm at Ss Michael and John's Horsham Parish Centre. Facilitator for the day is writer and educator, Michael McGirr. Further details to come. Registration will be required to attend. Save the date flyer available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/ballarat-diocesan-social-justice-commission-reflection-day-with-michael-mcgirr-saturday-september-7-2024/>

Liturgy Formation at East Wimmera Parish – Sunday, August 18, 2024

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is hosting a Liturgy Formation Session at St Mary's Church, Donald on Sunday, August 18, 2024. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass at 10.30am with the formation program beginning at 12.30pm on the topics of Formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Formation for Lectors. All welcome to attend. Registrations are now open - scan or click on the QR code or go to the diocesan website to register <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pnews/liturgy-formation-at-donald-sunday-august-18-2024/>



Prevention of domestic violence

Catholic Social Services Victoria has published a brochure, "Let's build respectful communities" for parishes across Victoria that provides information about recognising, responding to, and preventing domestic violence, as well as further resources for those seeking help. The brochure forms part of CSSV's ongoing work within the Catholic community to build capacity for the prevention of family and domestic violence. For more information and to download the brochure, go to the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/prevention-of-domestic-violence-against-women/>

St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

The theme of the appeal this year is the "Working Homeless", focussing on the emerging trend of people who are experiencing housing hardship and disadvantage despite being in employment. For the period between May 2023 – May 2024, St Vincent de Paul provided material household assistance to the value of \$730,000 across greater Ballarat. Envelopes are available in churches for donations and can be placed on the collection plate. Please write your name and address if you require a receipt.

VMCH Appeal - Giving people with disabilities training and employment opportunities

Did you know that there are 2.1 million Australians with a disability of working age? Less than half of these people have a job. This rate of unemployment for people with a disability has not shifted in 30 years. The VMCH new fundraising appeal 'Work It!' aims to support young people with disabilities to get into the workforce and begin their journey to independence! To support this appeal, go to <https://vmch.com.au/donate-now/work-it/>

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat – employment opportunity

The Catholic Diocese of Ballarat requires a qualified accountant to assist the Business Manager in the day-to-day financial operations of the diocese and its associated entities. This is a part-time position. For more information and to apply go to the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/employment>

What's Happening at School?

Substantial work has taken place in the weeks since the St Mary's children have been in the Parish Centre. Asbestos removal and the removal of internal walls and wiring are the major works so far.



Two Break-ins

St Francis of Assisi Church in Landsborough was recently vandalised. Most upsetting is the broken stained-glass window of the Sacred Heart.

This presbytery was also broken into this week. The collections from last Sunday were stolen. Police are doing their investigations.

Lectionary Art and Reflection by Jenny Close - Reflection by Artist

In Mark's Gospel, the 'great crowd' who followed Jesus around is a bit blurred and individuals are not recognisable. Jesus describes the crowd as 'sheep without a shepherd'. He is clearly tired of the demands made on him, but he feels compassion for his followers. They are looking for leadership – someone to draw new meanings from life. Jesus will give them more than they bargained for. His message, about God's basileia, evokes renewal and transformation.

