



Our Lady of Mercy Parish

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PARISH PRIEST ~ Fr. Jim McKay

St. Thomas' Terang

St. Colman's Mortlake

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Parish Safeguarding Officer ~ Julie Duynhoven ~ "We are a Child Safe Parish"

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

St. Thomas' Terang ~ Mr. Matthew Uzkuraitis Ph 5592 1925

St. Colman's Mortlake ~ Ms Janet Cain Ph 5599 2285

Mercy Regional College ~ Ms Sharon Gillett Ph 5593 2011

Our Lady of Mercy Parish acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians of this land the Kirrae Wuurong people.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st & 22nd September 2024

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES: Basil Lee, Irene Moloney, Sheila Lourey

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

(Names placed on the sick list will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise notified)

SUPPORTING OUR PARISHES: Thank you for your ongoing support of our Parishes

Weekend 14th & 15th Sept 2024

TERANG / MORTLAKE

1st Collection \$ 574.30

Ballarat Clergy Support Fund \$ 375.00

Planned Giving Program Week 59

2nd Collection \$ 232.00

Average given \$ 1,563.71

Amount promised per week \$ 1,501.94

TERANG & MORTLAKE ROSTERS:

LINEN: SEPTEMBER Terang: Carmel Moloney Mortlake: Gertie MacDonald

FLOWERS: 29th Sept & 6th Oct: Mortlake: Judy McDonald

Mortlake Set Up: SEPTEMBER– Gertie MacDonald

Liturgy Rosters: Weekend ~ 28th & 29th September 2024

READERS: 1st & 2nd Reading & Prayers of the Faithful

Terang Saturday 6.00 pm: Chris Moloney **Sunday 10.30 am:** Bernadette McKinnon

Mortlake Sunday 9.00 am: Claire Adams

Offertory: Mortlake Sunday 9.00 am: Leonie Quinn

Eucharistic Minister: Terang Sat 6pm: Volunteer **Sun 10.30am:** Bernadette Wurlod

Lap Top Terang: Sat 6.00pm: Allison Lourey **Sun 10.30am:** Khloe Meade

The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.

H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

Thank you

Thank you Fr Lawrie for celebrating Mass with us whilst Fr Jim is on holidays.



WEEKEND MASS TIMES

ST THOMAS' TERANG

Saturday 6.00 pm

Sunday 10.30 am

ST COLMAN'S MORTLAKE

Sunday 9.00 am

Next Weeks Readings:

28th & 29th Sept 2024

1st read: Num 11: 25-29

2nd read: James 5: 1-6

Gospel: Mk 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

Terang Mortlake St

Vincent de Paul

Conference

All enquiries for

assistance are

treated in strict

confidence.

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Looking Forward Information 2021-2025

Just refreshing our memories

Please have a read of the Diocesan Booklet, as it will effect our Parish in the near future.

Anyone who is interested can have a read of the booklet online

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/looking-forward/>. hard copy *(on table in foyer)*

If more required, please let me know & I will print more copies

This new edition of "Looking Forward" provides principles to guide our pastoral planning, includes data about the diocese and offers information on changes to parishes over the next 12 months.



Season of Creation 2024

"To Hope and Act with Creation"

The Season of Creation runs from September 1 – October 4, with the theme for 2024

- Resources are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/welfare/catholic-earthcare-ballarat-diocese/season-of-creation-2024/>.

There is a Catholic Liturgical Guide which includes suggestions for each week of the season;

- Resources are also provided by Caritas Australia and include PowerPoint Slides, Facebook tile, posters, Season of Creation prayer (download and print versions) and a Season of Creation Prayer Service <https://www.caritas.org.au/resources/parish-materials/season-of-creation-1-sept-4-oct/>;
- Emmaus Productions provides free video and music resources.

2024 Season of Creation Prayer

Triune God, Creator of all, we praise you for your goodness, visible in all the diversity that you have created, making us a cosmic family living in a common home. Through the Earth you created, we experience love and nourishment, home and protection. We confess that we do not relate to the Earth as a Mothering gift from you, our Creator.

Our selfishness, greed, neglect, and abuse have caused the climate crisis, loss of biodiversity, human suffering as well as the suffering of all our fellow creatures. We confess that we have failed to listen to the groans of the Earth, the groans of all creatures, and the groans of the Spirit of hope and justice that lives within us.

May your Creator Spirit help us in our weakness, so that we may know the redeeming power of Christ and the hope found in him. May the groans of the Spirit birth in us a willingness to serve you faithfully, so that we may hear and heal Creation, to hope and act together with her, so that the first fruits of hope may blossom.

Loving and Creator God, we pray that you will make us sensitive to these groans and enable us to have the same compassion as that of Jesus, the redeeming Lord. Grant us a fresh vision of our relationship with Earth, and with one another, as creatures that are made in your image.

In the name of the one who came to proclaim the good news to all Creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.