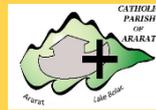




St Patrick's Parish Stawell and Landsborough St Mary's Parish Ararat and Lake Bolac



We acknowledge the Djap Wurrung 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 June 19, 2022

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Year C

First Reading

[Gen 14:18-20](#)

A reading from the book of Genesis
Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.' And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 109:1-4. R. v.4](#)

(R.) You are a priest for ever,
in the line of Melchizedek.

1. The Lord's revelation to my Master:

'Sit on my right:

I will put your foes beneath your feet.' (R.)

2. The Lord will send from Zion

your sceptre of power:

rule in the midst of all your foes. (R.)

3. A prince from the day of your birth

on the holy mountains;

from the womb before the daybreak I begot you. (R.)

4. The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.

'You are a priest for ever,

a priest like Melchizedek of old.' (R.)

Second Reading

[1 Cor 11:23-26](#)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
Corinthians

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming to his death.



Gospel Acclamation [Jn 6:51-52](#)

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven,
says the Lord; whoever eats this
bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel

[Lk 9:11-17](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them
about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who

were in need of healing. It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

This Feast combines the previous feasts of Corpus Christi and the Precious Blood of Christ. It reminds us that the body and blood of Christ were offered as a sacrifice for us, and every time we re-enact this sacrifice, we renew his sacrifice. The Body and Blood of Jesus is the interim meal for the Christian community. We are to feed on it until the Lord returns. We see again the already-but-not-yet character of Christian eschatology, for the Lord has already returned. That means that the Eucharist meal is a re-enactment of Christ's death, an anticipatory celebration of his coming, and a thanksgiving banquet with him present. The multiplication of the loaves and the fishes prefigures the eschatological banquet of fulfilment. Its miraculous bounty assures us of the abundance of that future banquet. Its miracle of multiplication prefigures the miracle of Jesus as he changed the bread and wine into his own body and blood. Jesus handed himself over as food and drink on the very night that he was handed over by others. The banquet that he prepared was a celebration of the new covenant; it was an eschatological banquet of thanksgiving. This feast invites us to enter through either the past, the present or the future, for each one will lead us to the mystery that we celebrate: the mystery of the sacrifice of Christ; the mystery of the sacred bread and wine of the future; the mystery of the eschatological banquet of the present.

Parish Information – Parishes of Stawell and Ararat

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Mass Times

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| 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 |

Readings for next Sunday

June 26
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
[1 Kgs 19:16. 19-21](#) // [Gal 5:1. 13-18](#) // [Lk 9:51-62](#)

Weekday Masses (usual schedule)

Tuesday: 10am Stawell (Check bulletin for occasional changes)
Wednesday: Aged Care
Thursday: 3.30pm Hopkins
Friday: 11am Ararat (Check bulletin for occasional changes)

Aged Care Roster

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

Changes to Masses this Week:

Tues 21st No Mass in Stawell today

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries Stawell

John Seary 1971, Phyllis Walsh 1974, Margaret Bushick 1974, Mary Raycroft 1976, Winifred Copley 1986, Maurie Delahunty 1986, Daniel Shanahan 1995, Robert Rutter 1981, John Murphy 1989, Hellen Stewart 1992, John Krause 1998, Joan Noone 2015, Bernard Maddocks 2016, Antonius Van Diesen 2016, Ronald Seary 2003

Anniversaries Ararat

Margaret Bushick, Fr Michael Jones, Margaret Sullivan, Hugh Nailon, Valda Jerram, Patrick Brennan, Lionel Egan, Dulce Makepeace, Fr. Austin Brennan, Beryl Nailor, Carmela Busuttill, Trish Cuthbert, John Keogh, Catherine Keogh, Edward Cleary, Patricia Grano, John Rienets, Pat Kelly, Norman Turnbull, Irene Karlake, Fr Michael Fallon, Jean Keogh, Corrine Keogh, Fr Michael Doyle, Fr Don Dunne, John Murphy, Ern Trotter, Colin O'Toole, Bob Rutter, Kit Morris, Nicholas Kalomiris, Dennis Keogh, Tony Van Diesen, Bernard Maddocks, Richard O'Neill, Tony Niccolaci, Alan McLoughlin

Golden Gate Roster

June 19 Libby // 26 Jim Jan
July 3 Harry Anne // 10 Libby // 17 Jim Jan // 24 Harry Anna // 31 Libby

Lake Bolac Roster

Sat June 18 Reader Tricia Higgins // Prayers of Faithful Rosemary Liston // Cleaning Judy Upton
Sat July 2 Reader Damian Phillips // Prayers of Faithful Irene Meek // Cleaning Jane Higgins

Stawell St Vincent de Paul Meeting

The next Stawell St Vincent de Paul meeting will be in the church hall on Monday 20th June at 2pm. Our regional President, Chris Hogan, and our conference support officer, Kate O'Brien, will be attending and supervising the election of a new conference president.

Lake Bolac St Bernard's 150 years foundation stone / 60 years new church Sun Sept 25 11am Mass and lunch

Australian Women Preach

This is a great weekly podcast. You can google it. It's freely available. It is presented by WATAC, Women and the Australian Church. It's also available on Spotify. I listen every week.

Vinnie's Winter Appeal

Domestic violence is the leading cause of homelessness for women and children. Your support of the 2022 Vinnie's Winter Appeal will help provide emergency accommodation, financial support, as well as material assistance. To donate go to <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/winter-appeal-vic>

Celebrating Clergy Jubilees of Ordination

Mass to acknowledge priests celebrating a Jubilee of Ordination to the Priesthood this year will be held on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 5.15pm. All are welcome to attend.

Advance Notice: Ordinations to the Priesthood

Deacons Matt Restall and Bill Lowry will be ordained priests for the Diocese of Ballarat on Friday, July 22, 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 7.00pm. All welcome to attend. Livestreamed at <https://youtu.be/gnpY6nMKz3M>

Plenary Council conversations around the diocese

Leading up to the second Assembly of the Plenary Council (July 3 -9), there will be an opportunity to gather for a conversation around the diocese with the diocesan members to encourage and affirm their participation in the Council. The Motions Framework document has been published and is available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Motions-Framework-31a-May-2022.pdf> and this will also be a focus for prayer and engagement. Details near us:

Horsham – June 22, 2022 at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall, Horsham

Ballarat – June 23, 2022 at 7.00pm in Mackillop/Glowrey Room, Cathedral Precinct.

zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82242749637?pwd=MFFicENKZ3UzWFFkNzlfYXhMWU9uQT09>.

Meeting ID: 822 4274 9637; Passcode: 448266.

Centenary of Brigidine Sisters and Brigidine Education in Horsham

The Centenary of the Brigidine Sisters and Brigidine Education in Horsham was to have been celebrated over the June long weekend in 2020, but was postponed due to COVID. Two years on, we are now planning to proceed with a weekend of celebrations to mark the milestone. On the weekend of July 16 & 17, 2022, you are invited to participate in tours of the three schools – Ss Michael & John's Primary School, Horsham, Our Lady Help of Christians, Murtoa, and St Brigid's College, Horsham; celebratory Masses at Murtoa and Horsham; and social gatherings in the Parish Centre. There will also be a presentation of a Commemorative Quilt which will hang in Horsham's Parish Office, and the launch of a book recognising the 100 years of Brigidine Sisters in Horsham. RSVP and info: <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pnews/centenary-of-brigidine-sisters-and-brigidine-education-in-horsham-july-16-17-2022/>

Refugee Week: June 19-25, 2022

You are invited to join the Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office and the Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace for an online prayer service on World Refugee Day. Registration to attend the prayer service, which will be broadcast live on June 20 at 6.00pm (AEST) is now open. The two Offices have also combined to produce resources to encourage the celebration of Refugee Week 19-25 June. Register for the online prayer service at <https://bit.ly/RefugeeWeek2022Prayers>

House of Welcome High Tea: Supporting Refugee Week 2022

All are welcome to High Tea on Wednesday, June 22, 2022 at 1.30pm at 30 Waller Avenue, Newington to support refugees, asylum seekers and vulnerable people. Cake stall, bric-a-brac, door prizes and competitions. Entry \$50.00, children free. Bookings essential, ph. 0401 175 045, email annekav1234@gmail.com or Facebook House Of Welcome Ballarat. Donations will be accepted or can be made directly to: House of Welcome Ballarat; Bendigo Bank BSB 633 108 Acc. 144044963.

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarships for Lay Ministry

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Applications close on Friday, July 29, 2022. Details are available at <https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

World Meeting of Families: June 22-26, 2022

The celebration of Amoris Laetitia Family Year will conclude on June 26, 2022. This will be the final day of the X World Meeting of Families in Rome from June 22-26, 2022. Official prayer for the X World Meeting of Families June 22-26, 2022

Tap in Stawell Sacristy

We know. The tap is hardly working, fairly dribbling really. The plumber has been. He will be back. He's got some digging to do. Won't be long. Meanwhile, the patron saint of plumbers is St Vincent Ferrer.

Why the bulletin is laid out the way it is – It's about the colour copying

A bit of space so thought I'd explain this one. The masthead is the colour of the feast or church season – Ordinary Time green next week. All other colour goes on the back page. It's the same side of the paper as the front. That way we only pay for one colour page. If important things get relegated to the back page, it'll be about the colour copying. Having paid for the colour page, we might as well include the Jenny Close artwork and the parish logo. We pay for the page, not the ink.

Merged Parish

The two Parish Councils met together this week. Among the arrangements we made were these:

Parish Prayer

Stawell has been using Ararat's parish prayer at the end of the Prayers of Intercession. We thought this was a good time to amend the prayer to reflect the naming of the new parish. This is our new parish prayer:

Creator God

Gather us and form us in the image of Christ

Open our hearts to your Holy Spirit

so that we, in turn, may reach out in love

to one another In a neighbourly community

We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Amen



Pastoral Council

The two existing council groups will continue as we have been until Christmas. We'll meet together a couple of times and separately in the other months. At the beginning of 2023 we will review the membership of both groups. Stawell's council was always an interim arrangement and Ararat's membership hasn't changed much in years. So, after a few months to settle into the new parish, we will ask for nominations for the new Holy Spirit Parish Pastoral Council. By then we will have settled on a new charter for the council.

Anniversaries

We will merge the Stawell and Ararat anniversaries lists into one book and will display copies of the books in the churches. Ararat and Lake Bolac already do this and parishioners are able to take a pencil and add names of loved ones. Every so often we copy the pencilled-in names to the computer list for the bulletin.

Sacrament Registers

The sacrament registers for use in the new parish have arrived. These will be kept in the parish office. Stawell's existing registers will remain in Stawell. The old registers won't be used now but will still be needed for copies of baptism certificates and so on. June Raeburn is the keeper of the records in Stawell.

First Nations

We will alter the Acknowledgement of Country to more accurately reflect the lands on which our parish gathers. We will refer to Barengi Gadjin (for Stawell) and Eastern Maar (for Ararat) as the traditional owners of the land.

OHS / Child Safety / Police and Working with Children Checks

We spent considerable time reviewing the Diocesan policies in this area. It is clear that a number of people will require police or children's checks. Many will have them. For others we can help you. Where costs are involved the parish will pay. As examples: Ministers of the Eucharist and members of the Parish Pastoral Council will require children's checks. We're still looking into the requirements for those who have keys to the churches – proximity to schools makes a difference. Those who count the collections will need police checks. Op shop volunteers will need checks. We will need to demonstrate that our child-safety procedures are in language accessible to children and that migrants and first nations people are welcomed in culturally safe ways. There will be quarterly OHS checks to be done on each property. Are doorways free of clutter? Are exit lights working? Are windows properly secured? Is electrical tag and testing up to date? More to come.

Signage - With the new parish it will be time to update the signs outside the churches. We will attend to this in due course.

Bank Accounts - Which bank accounts will merge and which will stay separate is still to be determined.

Lectionary Art and Reflection by Jenny Close

Jesus said that his own body and blood were 'real' food which was not merely nourishing, but life-giving. It is easy to agree with 'the people' in this reading – the metaphor is raw and abrasive. It was dangerous language, but it engaged their attention.

The central symbols of bread and wine at our Sunday Eucharist are dangerous in what they evoke. It reminds us that the Eucharistic elements we use at Sunday Mass need to be authentic in order to more richly convey the power they evoke.

Reflection by Artist

