

**ROSTERS:****LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):****This Week** (November 20)**Readers:** J Murphy/J Browne**Procession of Gifts:** P & C O'Callaghan**Ext Minister:** C Browne**Next Week**

(November 27)

**Readers:** B G Browne/G Douglas**Procession of Gifts:** B & B O'Callaghan**Ext Minister:** Betty Amarant**Church Care:** M Browne**Church Grounds—** November—B O'Callaghan**STAWELL:****This Week** (November 19) 7.00PM**Welcomer:** M Rogers**Readers:** T Brady/D Jones**Ext. Ministers:** L Moloney/J Obi**Procession of Gifts:** M, H, J, A Smith

(November 20) 10.30am

**Readers:** S Little/M R Thomas**Ext. Ministers:** C Barker/F Harney/G little**Procession of Gifts:** L & M Habben**Next Week** (November 26) 7.00PM**Welcomer:** S Blake**Readers:** J Raeburn/D Jones**Ext. Ministers:** M Howard/S Howard**Procession of Gifts:** P Price**10.30AM** (November 27)**Readers:** K Dalton/K Dallinger**Ext Ministers:** H Potter/S Enriquez/G Comitti**Procession of Gifts:** Cain?Rutter Family**Counters:** Today: J Raeburn

Next Week: L &amp; M Habben

**Altar Society:** November 26 Gabrielle & Pat**MARY'S STATUE:** Nov 20-26 H Prowd; Nov

27-Dec 3 D McIntosh

**Any queries relating to rosters and volunteers please****contact June Raeburn on 53583506.****READERS PLEASE RETURN THE BOOKS TO THE SACRISTY AFTER MASS.****Extraordinary Ministers, please clean Sacred Vessels after Mass and prepare for the next Mass—fill wine and water cruets, etc.****WEEKEND MASSES YEAR B:****Stawell:** Saturday at 7.00pm (Summer time—Daylight Saving), 6.00pm (wintertime—end of Daylight Saving) Sunday at 10.30am.**Landsborough:** Sunday Mass at 8.30am.**WEEKDAY MASSES (YEAR 1):**

Tues; Wed; Thurs; Fri 10.00am. 2nd &amp; 4th Wednesday of Month-Eventide-10.30am.

**(Check front of Bulletin for any changes to this routine)****RECONCILIATION:**Stawell: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 10.00 am, before or after each weekday Mass (by request) or by appointment at any time. At Landsborough: Before 8.20 am Sundays**MEETINGS & GATHERINGS:**

Prayer Group: every Monday, 1.30pm.

Cuppa tea Stawell—2nd Sunday after Mass;

Landsborough—3rd Sunday after Mass.

St Vincent de Paul: 2nd &amp; 4th Tuesdays 2.00pm in Parish Hall.

CWL: 3rd Wednesday commencing with 10.00am Mass.

Scripture reflection group Thursday 2.00pm in the presbytery.

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# St Patrick's Parish Community

Stawell-Glenorchy-Great Western-Halls Gap-Landsborough

*Christ the Universal King - Year C**November 20, 2016***SUNDAY MISSAL** Pg. 965**ANNIVERSARIES:** Jack Rathgeber**OUR DIOCESAN COMMUNITY MAGAZINE** available at the doors of the Church today—**FREE** – please take one home.**CUP OF TEA/COFFEE** after 8.30am Mass in Landsborough, today. All most welcome.**NOVEMBER OFFERING ENVELOPES:**Spare envelopes are available at the doors of the church. This gives an opportunity to have Masses celebrated for your deceased relatives and friends. The Bishop's Conference has set a stipend of \$20.00 for each Mass. Please ensure that you **PRINT** names of those you wish to have a Mass celebrated.**BOOK OF THE DEAD:**

November is the month in which we pray especially for our dead. The Book of the Dead is at the front of the church. If you wish to have family members or friends remembered in our weekday Masses feel free to print their names on the pages available.

**SICK LIST**

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seear; Lourdes dela Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; Lynn Wright; Laurie Healey; John Jess; Simon Monas; Wendy Shea; Angela Moore; Jeff O'Donnell; Peter Duffy (Canada); Margaret McIntyre; Nance Rutter; Theresa Ellis (Edinburgh); Kate Sargent; Yvonne &amp; Alf Evans; Margaret Boag; Nigel James (Canberra); Ian Kindred; John Coghlan (Shepparton); June McKee (Mother of Anglican Deacon Heather Scott); Terry Bartlett (WA); Sharron Pickering.

**NB: A FAMILY MEMBER OF THE SICK PERSON MUST CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO HAVE NAMES ADDED OR REMOVED.****"It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead." (Book of Macabees)****SISTERS OF ST JOSEPH THANKSGIVING RITUAL**As part of our celebrations for 150 years, a thanksgiving ritual will be held at the grave of Sisters Adrian and Edmund Murphy on next Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> November at 11.30 am. Parishioners are invited to join the Sisters for this ritual and to join them for lunch after at the Gift Hotel, Stawell. Any further information can be obtained from Sr Mary Fermio, Ph 5367 2078**ADVENT SCRIPTURE REFLECTION** is a great

way to remember "the reason for the season". Come along to the presbytery on Thursdays from 2-3.30pm and prepare yourself for Christmas in a way doesn't involve shopping or cooking.

**ADVENT****THE LUTHERAN CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL****will be held in the Town Hall, next weekend, Nov 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be Carol singing at****5pm on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> and music singing and an ecumenical Advent**

service on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> at 1.30pm. If you would like to exhibit a tree, mantelpiece or cake there are entry forms on the church bulletin board.

**FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:**

Presbytery Collection: \$ 527.40

Parish Collection: \$ 937.00

Loose Collection: \$ 96,20

(1st Collection is for the clergy stipend, presbytery costs and support of the bishop and sick and retired priests. The 2nd collection is for the upkeep of the parish.

**OUR DIOCESAN COMMUNITY**

The final edition of ODC for 2016 is available for collection from the Diocesan Offices in Ballarat. Thank you to those who have collected their copies. Encourage parishioners to take copies to the homebound, nursing homes, hospitals, etc., to spread the good news of the diocese.

**THIS WEEK:**

**MASSES THIS WEEK:** Mass Tues, Thurs, Fri 10.00am  
Wednesday 10.30am—Eventide

THURSDAY— Scripture Reflection—  
2.00PM IN PRESBYTERY.

**CONFESSIONS** —Before or after 10.00am weekday Masses by request (i.e. – just ask Fr Eric.) ; 10.00am 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Landsborough—before Sunday Mass.  
Any other time by appointment.

**HUMOUR:**

Being a new pastor to an aging congregation, I told them I would be serving them prune juice in Holy Communion. When asked why I would dare entertain such a thought, I said, "If the Holy Spirit won't move you--the prune juice will!"

**NEWS:**

**POPE VISITS FORMER PRIESTS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

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In one of his final gestures in the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has made a surprise visit to meet seven men who took the controversial step of leaving the priesthood and starting a family. Religion News Service reports.

A Vatican statement said the Pope left his residence on Friday afternoon and travelled to an apartment on the outskirts of Rome where he met seven men who had left the priesthood in recent years. The pontiff also met their families.

Former priests lose the close ties to the Church they once had and their status raises controversial questions about ordaining married priests or permitting

those who have left to marry to return to the clergy.

The Vatican said Francis wanted to express "his closeness and affection" to the men — five Italians, a Spaniard, and a Latin American — and their families.

"They spent months and years wrestling with uncertainty and doubts before coming to the decision they had made a mistake by becoming priests," the statement said, "then decided to leave the priesthood and create a family."

Earlier on Friday, Francis met with thousands of homeless and marginalised people at the Vatican and asked for their forgiveness.

"I ask your forgiveness if I have ever offended you with my words or for not having said something that I should have," the Pope said, according to Catholic News Service.

"I ask your forgiveness for all the times that we Christians stand before a poor person or a situation of poverty and look the other way," he added.

*Photo: Francis during his visit to former priests, now married, and their families (Vatican Insider)*

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**

This feast celebrates the power and authority of Christ by creating a collage of images that capture one or more characteristics of Christ's kingship. Each image reinterprets the concept of king, investing it with new meaning. Gathered together they create a kind of litany that extols the kingship of Christ.

Shepherd and commander call to mind the care and protection that Christ lavishes on those who place themselves under his care. King of Israel is a sign of universal rule. Image of the Invisible God acclaims the divine origin of Christ and of the rule that he exercises over all. First born of all Creation places Christ over the entire created world. Source of all Created Things acknowledges both the sovereignty of Christ and his importance as the model after which all things were fashioned. Head of the Body, the Church underscores the intimacy and interrelationship that exist between Christ and all those who are joined to him through faith and baptism. Firstborn of the Dead not only acclaims Christ's resurrection, but it also guarantees the resurrection of those who will follow him into death. Crucified King is clearly the image that reinterprets all other images.

The entire liturgical year is brought to completion in the last words of the gospel: 'Today you will be with me in Paradise.' These are the words that we all long to hear, words that are empty when coming from one who has no authority, but charged with power when spoken by the one who is king over us all.

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