

# St Augustine's Creswick & St Peter's Daylesford

We are child safe Parishes, committed to safeguarding children & vulnerable adults.

We acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung People as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we live. We pay our respect to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

**Sunday December 18th 2022**

**4th Sunday of Advent (Year A)**

<b>Parish Office</b>	13 Duke St Daylesford P: 0448 220 685
<b>Office Hours</b>	Wed 11.30am-4.00pm, Thu 9am-2pm, Fri 11.30am-4.00pm
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<b>Parish Priest</b>	Fr Justin Driscoll
<b>Admin &amp; Safeguarding Officer</b>	Leonie Keynes
<b>Parish School Principals</b>	<b>St Augustine's:</b> Terry Brennan <b>St Michael's:</b> Tim Hogan



## Christmas Mass times across the region

### **Christmas Eve Saturday December 24th**

- 5.30pm Ballan
- 6.00pm Clarke's Hill
- 6.30pm Gordon
- 7.00pm Springbank
- 8.00pm Bungaree
- 8.30pm Daylesford
- Midnight Trentham

### **Christmas Day Sunday December 25th**

- 8.30am Trentham
- 9.00am Creswick
- 10.30am St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat

## Parish Picnic for St Augustine's Creswick

**When:** Sunday 15 January 2023, for lunch (after Mass)

**Where:** The rotunda and bbq area in the north gardens, Ballarat, beside Lake Wendouree

**Who:** Everyone is welcome. It will be an informal affair.

**What to bring:** Smiles, loud laughs and Christmas stories to

share. Food and drinks for yourself, hat and sunscreen. Gas BBQ available. Some seating and tables available in rotunda, but suggest you bring your own table and chairs if you have them.

The rotunda cannot be booked, so it will be first in best dressed. Someone will arrive early to stake a claim for the rest of us. The picnic has been registered with Ballarat City Council. The Ballarat City's Summer Sundays music program will be running in the Botanical Gardens on the same day from 4-8pm with fireworks at 9.30pm if you are interested in staying on.

**2023 Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**— Expressions of interest are invited for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, June 11th—24th 2023— Jordan, Petra, Dead Sea, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Capernaum, Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, Mt of Olives, Jericho, Quamran. Fully escorted and all inclusive pilgrimage arranged through Lifestyle Travel in Ballarat & accompanied by Fr Justin.

Contact [ino@lifestyletravel.com.au](mailto:ino@lifestyletravel.com.au) or Fr Justin for further information.



## Mass Schedule

### Weekend Mass Next Week

**St Augustine's Creswick**

9am Sunday Dec 25th

**St Peter's Daylesford**

8.30pm Saturday Dec 24th

### Weekday Mass this week

**St Peter's Daylesford**

10.30am Wed Dec 21st -Advent

Anointing Masses of the Seniors and the Sick

**St Augustine's Creswick**

No weekday Mass

## Recent Deaths:

Eileen Corrigan (Ballarat)

## Anniversaries:

**Creswick**— Ralph Bell;

Merle Beves; Franz Vleugel;

Catharina Schellens; Paul Cassar.

**Daylesford**— Brian Clohesy;

Ted Anderson; Nancie Conroy;

Merlyn de van der Schueren;

Eileen Pedretti; William Bird;

Siverina Gervasoni; Ray Linton;

May Hetherington;

David Lafranchi;

Fr Francis Whitely.



**Letter from Bishop Paul re this years Christmas Appeal.**

December 6, 2022

Dear Father,

Our Christmas Appeal is one way by which the diocese can respond to the many communities from near and far who turn to us for assistance. Often these requests come through people who have personal links with the diocese of Ballarat.

Arranging our Christmas gatherings this year will have extra demands as we continue recovering from the pandemic and struggle with ever increasing costs of daily living. However, I do still commend the Christmas Appeal to you and your parishioners.

I thank the people of the diocese for their support of last year's appeal. The money was distributed as follows:

Appeal for Ukraine	10,000
Catholic Mission	5,000
Caritas Australia	5,000
Nazareth House Ballarat	5,000
Diocese of Lismore Flood Appeal	5,000
St Vincent de Paul Victorian Flood Appeal	5,000
St Columban's Mission, Peru	5,000
Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans ACRATH	2,000
Total donations made in 2022	\$42,000

In anticipation I thank you for your co-operation in recommending the 2022 Christmas Appeal to the generosity of your parishioners and giving them the opportunity to make their contribution when convenient. I note that donations can now also be made directly via the Parish Giving link at the bottom of the Diocesan website home page.

With every good wish, I am Yours sincerely in Christ,



+ Paul Bird CSsR

**Our Parishes donations for 2021 Christmas Appeal**

Daylesford—\$588 Creswick—\$339

**gospel focus**

**What's in a name?**

*It appears from the passage that Mary's child is to be called both Jesus and Emmanuel. Emmanuel is not intended as a different name for Jesus but rather one of the many titles that will be applied to him. The title means God-is-with-us. That one word, Emmanuel, sums up the essence of Jewish and Christian belief. The Jewish people's faith in God was built on the basis that God travelled with them and through their lives. Christians believe that God took on an even closer sense of being with us through God's incarnation in the life of Jesus.*

Next week 24th & 25th Dec	Creswick Sunday 25th 9am	Daylesford Saturday 24th 8.30pm
<b>Welcomer</b>	Angeline/ Maria	Brian
<b>Reader</b>	Barb H	Diane C/Ian T/ Carmel B
<b>Commentator</b>	David Preston	N/A
<b>Special Minister</b>	Brian Rowe	Carol & Denise Leonard
<b>Sacristan</b>	Margie/Ann/Sr Lou	Denise & Kath
<b>Data Projector</b>	<b>VOLUNTEER</b>	Sandra
<b>Offertory</b>	Angeline/ Maria	Kim Sims & Family
<b>Collectors</b>	<b>Volunteers</b>	Brian/Sid/Volunteers

Today we welcome  
Lucy & Gareth Whittlam to  
St Augustine's Creswick for the  
baptism of their son  
**Alby Thomas**  
with Dermot & Janelle  
as Alby's Godparents

