

St Augustine's Creswick & St Peter's Daylesford

Napier St Creswick

Duke St 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 Elders, past, present and emerging.*

Sunday December 10th 2nd Sunday of Advent 2023 (Year B)

Parish Priest

Fr Justin Driscoll

Admin & Safeguarding Officer

Leonie Keynes

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Parish School Principals

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Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve

Sunday December 24th

Daylesford 8.30pm

Christmas Day

Monday December 25th

Creswick 9.00am

Mass Times

This Sunday (December 10th)

Creswick 9.00am

Daylesford 10.30am

Weekday Masses 10.30am

Wednesday 13th 10.30am at
Daylesford (Anointing Mass)

Friday 15th 9.30am at
Daylesford (School Mass)

Friday 15th 12.30pm at
Creswick (School Mass)

Next Sunday (December 17th)

Daylesford 6.00pm Vigil Sat

Creswick 9.00 am



Creswick Parish welcomes

Fergus Ellis,

Hendrix Ellis,

Lennox McDougall,

Harriet Wrigley with their
parents, Godparents and
families for baptisms today.

Recent death

Jock McInerney,

Carmel Waight (Wendouree)

Anniversaries of death

Creswick

Anne Marie Block,

Anne Griffin

Isabel McMahon,

Valda Moneghetti

Terrence Rieniets

Helena Subers, Eileen Tacey.

Daylesford

Pauline Caines,

Francis Frith, Francis Kelly,

Joyce Mead, Phyllis Scheggia,

Richard Suckling,

Felicia Vassallo.

Ordination to the Diaconate

Seminarian Cay Trinh will be

ordained Deacon for the

Diocese of Ballarat on

Saturday, December 16, 2023

at 10.00am in St Patrick's

Cathedral Ballarat,

All welcome to attend.

A word of thanks from Rosemary Tolhurst

I would like to thank Fr Justin and the Creswick parishioners for the moving Funeral Mass for Kevin. So many people helped with liturgy, church preparation, marquee and TV screens. I am so glad Kevin was able to reconnect with the Parish during the last two years. Your support means a lot to me and my family.

St Augustine's Giving Tree is now in place. Please take a gift tag, prepared thanks to the Prep children from St Augustine's for their help. The request is for gift vouchers from shops, e.g. Coles, Woolworths or IGA. The vouchers will be distributed to Fr Bob's Food Pantry in South Melbourne, where food stuffs will be purchase for 350 – 400 Christmas Hampers that are being providing for the Homeless. The vouchers need to be in by Sunday 17th December. For those unable to provide gift cards, cash in an envelope is acceptable.

Wendouree Parish Christmas Day Lunch

OLHC Parish volunteers are hosting lunch on Christmas Day in the Parish Hall, 482 Gillies Street, Wendouree from 12.00noon – 2.00pm. Bookings are essential as seating is limited, ph. 0419 975914. If you are able to volunteer on this day, please phone the number listed to register.

Daylesford Family Groups

The group led by Anne and Max O'Shea will gather for their annual Christmas lunch today. The group led by Maria Bruce recently gathered at the Presbytery with Fr Justin for Sunday lunch and planned their events for 2024!

From Bishop Paul Bird

Over the past few months, our Diocesan Pastoral Planning Panel has met with priests and parishioners of parishes in the Ballarat region to review the ministry districts.

The timing of this review is linked with some changes in appointments. Fr Eugene McKinn will retire from his responsibilities as Parish Priest of Redan, Sebastopol and Linton when he turns 75 in April 2024. Also, Fr Jorge de Chavez has advised that his Congregation, the Oblates of St Joseph, plans to transfer him to Western Australia from his current role at Ballarat East. Another Oblate priest will come to serve in our diocese. In the light of the recent discussions, I am pleased to announce the following ministry districts, with the new grouping of parishes to take effect after Easter 2024. The new ministry districts will be:

Ballarat Cathedral, Ballarat North & Beaufort Parishes

Ballarat East, Bungaree and Gordon Parishes

Linton, Redan and Sebastopol Parishes

Creswick, Daylesford and Wendouree Parishes

The priests who are currently serving in these parishes will continue in their current appointments until April 10, 2024. They have agreed that they will then conclude their appointments to allow new appointments to be made corresponding to the new ministry districts. I will contact priests throughout our diocese inviting them to express interest in serving in any of these ministry districts.

In consultation with our Diocesan Personnel Board, I will consider the expressions of interest early in the new year, with a view to making appointments to take effect on April 10th, 2024.