

Parish Newsletter



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"We are a Child Safe Parish"

Safeguarding Officer: Leonie Bird

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Parish Priest: Fr Gary A Jones- Also visiting Priest for: Wendouree & Ballarat North

Parish School Principal: St Michael's Ethan Corfee St Augustine's Terry Brennan.

Country Church: St Joseph's Blampied ; St Francis Xavier Chapel Eganstown Cemetery

Mass times: St Augustine's Creswick: - Friday 12 noon Saturday 5pm

St Peter's Daylesford:- Thursday 1030am Sunday 10am

Recent Death: Nicholas Kennedy
(Son of Lois & Ron)

Anniversaries of Death:

Creswick- Loretta Schneider;
Nicolasina Mookhoek; Keith Slade; Eileen McShane; Mary Hugo;
Mary Overington; Thomas Jones

Daylesford- John Dwyer; Mavis Anderson; Noreen Vanzetta;
Jack Scheggia; Eileen O'Halloran; Ethel Bonnici; Jim Dixon



Brad Fernando; Mabel McAdele



Living the Gospel

Calling on the Saints

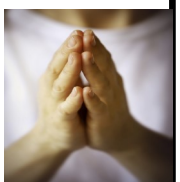
Saints play an important role in the devotional life of many Catholic people, but it is a role that causes some confusion for other traditions. Whilst all prayer is directed to God, sometimes that prayer may be directed through one of the Saints or a Saint is called upon to pray on behalf of the petitioner. Images of people kneeling before statues of Saints has led to a misconception that Catholics pray to Saints, rather than to God through the Saint. The Litany of the Saints, with its "Pray for us" response, calls on the Saints to intercede for us.

COVID UPDATE

We are happy to be able to celebrate Mass again from this weekend.

St Augustine's Friday mass at noon and Saturday 5pm and **St Peter's** Sunday at 10am, then next Thursday at 1030am.

At this stage only 20 people plus faith leader allowed indoors, so please ensure you book with the office to register and attend. St Augustine's and St Peter's have a COVID safe plan in place, so each parishioner that attends mass must ensure that social distancing is observed, hand sanitiser provided and used, and face masks must be worn (unless a medical condition prevents from wearing one). Both churches will be cleaned with disinfectant before and after services.



DIOCESEAN NEWS

Message from Bishop Bird

“On behalf of the Catholic Bishops of Victoria

Victorian dioceses partner to bring enhanced Catholic social services to those in need

“On 1 January 2021, the Archdiocese of Melbourne, the Diocese of Ballarat, the Diocese of Sandhurst and the Diocese of Sale will unite in common mission to advance the ministry of Catholic social services in Victoria.

This landmark endeavour for the Church and for the people of this State, particularly the most vulnerable, will see the merging of CatholicCare Melbourne and Gippsland, Centacare Ballarat, and CatholicCare Sandhurst, to form a new entity: CatholicCare Victoria.

With a combined service of more than 180 years, the individual agencies have responded to needs in their communities with compassion and care

As CatholicCare Victoria, we will have enhanced capability to respond to those in need, to sponsor initiatives at the breadth and scale that are most effective, and to advocate about and address the root causes of poverty and injustice, thus fulfilling the Church’s commitment to continue the mission of Jesus Christ by proclaiming God’s love for each person and promoting their fullness of life.

Building and supporting individuals, families and communities in times of need, especially those who are most disadvantaged, vulnerable and/or marginalised, is key to advancing human dignity and to fostering the common good in our society.

In coming together, we reinforce our shared commitment to social service ministry; offering works of mercy, charity and justice to meet the needs of the vulnerable and marginalised in Victoria, now and into the future.”

Catholic Theological College Virtual Open Days

CTC are running Virtual Open Days during November so you can join online to explore courses from wherever you are. Whether you are interested in learning more about your faith, have a desire to study and research, wish to pursue a career in ministry or pastoral areas or need to gain qualifications to assist your current teaching or ministry position, you will find something at CTC to meet your needs. Live information sessions will be held as well as a number of video resources to assist you in making the right decision. During the sessions, you will have the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers. Please register online for the sessions <https://ctc.edu.au/catholic-theological-college/news-and-events/open-days/>.

Marist House Fitzroy University residence

Marist House is a residential program for young adults who are studying at one of the many universities in and around Melbourne. Whether from the city or the country, Marist House provides young people with a safe, stable and supportive environment in which to engage with their tertiary studies. Hosted by a resident community of Marist Brothers, Marist House offers a communal setting for young people desiring to live together, open to exploring their Catholic / Christian faith and engaging in service to the wider community. It also serves as a hub for Young Marists in Melbourne. For more information go to <https://maristyouthministry.com/marist-house-fitzroy/>

A New Audio Prayer Resource for Children and Families

A new audio resource called 'Time With Jesus' (TWJ) is a collection of short five minute meditations that take children (and adults) on an adventure through 13 popular New Testament bible stories to meet Jesus and speak with Him. For a free sample meditation, tips on how to use the TWJ resource in families and children’s ministries and to make a purchase visit www.beheldmedia.com, www.parousiamedia.com. TWJ is available on CD or mp3 format and is a joint production of Beheld Media and Parousia.

