



Parish Newsletter - June 19th 2016

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Lay Led Assembly (2nd Sunday of the Month) 9.00am

Vigil Mass Sat 6.00pm (4th Sunday of the Month)

Diocesan Website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au



RECENT DEATH: Kathleen Milesi

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Des Callahan, Edward Whitty, Bernard Mulraney, Mary O'Connor, Gwentyth Hart, Florica Zelniczek, Charlie Savron



Sick List:

Pat Rixon,
Clare Dixon

Gospel Reflection: In today's gospel, Jesus asks the disciples the question that has echoed through the intervening generations and continues to demand our attention today: 'Who do you say that I am?' With both hope and trepidation, Peter answers, 'The Messiah of God'. The gospel episode reveals that Jesus was aware that the people were speculating about him and it would have been obvious that the disciples themselves were debating amongst themselves the significance of this man they were following. The expectation about the coming of the Messiah had been rife for decades leading up to this time. Under the occupation by the Romans, the Messiah expectation was at an all time high. Every Jew of the time was longing for the Messiah to rise up from their midst and rescue the people.

When Peter says that the disciples believe Jesus to be the Messiah it is as much a statement of hope as of conviction. What an amazing break for the disciples to discover that they are the followers of the one person the entire Jewish people are hoping for. The reflected glory for them would be magnificent! As Peter utters his answer, you can almost see the disciples edging forward in anticipation of all that would come their way as disciples of the Messiah.

But Jesus immediately shatters their dreams of glory by spelling out to them the reality of what it means for him to be the Messiah and also what it means for them to be his disciples. It is not the pathway of triumph and glory that lies ahead but the pathway of sacrifice, service and suffering. Peter is completely right when he names Jesus as Messiah but completely wrong in what he thinks that means.



Cup of TEA - after Mass TODAY

We will be recommencing coffee and morning tea after Mass on Sunday June 19th. Please stay around and have a cuppa and a chat. Thanks to Carol Collins who will be organising this.

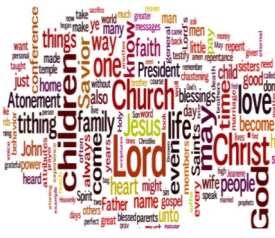
Support Group for Carers of People Living with Dementia at home to be held in

Daylesford on the first Tuesday of the month commencing June 7th from 10.30am to 12.

All enquires, phone Gabrielle Kirby

Manager Integrated Aged Care Hepburn Health Service on 5321 6595.





Last Week's Collections: *Two collections are taken up after the Prayers of the Faithful. The 1st Collection is the Presbytery Collection – this collection is for the support of the local priest, with 13% going towards the support of the retired priests and the Bishop. The 2nd Collection is the Planned Giving (envelopes) for the support of Parish endeavours and structures.*

1st Collection (Presbytery – supporting our Priest) \$406.20

2nd Collection (Planned Giving): \$106.00



Refugee Week is an annual event which promotes positive images of refugees and celebrates the valuable contribution refugees make to Australian society. Our ultimate aim is to facilitate better understanding between different communities and encourage successful integration, enabling refugees to live in safety and to continue making a valuable contribution to Australia. This year, Refugee Week is being celebrated from Sunday 19 June to Saturday 25 June.

The Refugee Council of Australia is encouraging organisations to celebrate a unified Refugee Week based around the theme ‘With courage let us all combine.’

Liturgy Formation 2016 / Launch of Let the Children Come The Diocesan Liturgical Commission will be presenting Liturgy Formation sessions in the diocese in 2016 on Funeral Ministry, Formation for Lectors and the launch of the sacramental program, “Let the Children Come” - July 24 at Birchip Parish, August 7 at Ararat Parish and August 21 at Hamilton Parish. As this day includes the launch of “Let the Children Come”, all involved in the Parish Sacramental Programs are encouraged to attend.

Pre-Election Forum - Federal Election July 2, 2016 You are invited to attend a pre-election forum on Monday, June 20, 2016 from 6.00pm – 7.45pm at the Ballarat Central Uniting Church, corner Dana Street and Lydiard Street South, Ballarat. This is an opportunity to hear the viewpoints of the Candidates for Ballarat on issues for a just society and to ask them your questions.



St Michael's School Fete Sunday October 30th.

Trash and Treasure stall donations welcome—next time you are having a clean out. Please note we can not accept electrical items.

Second hand books and clothes also welcome.

Roster - Sunday 26th June

Reader: G Kirby **Comm:** I Tinetti **Ministers:** D Leonard C Bartholomew T Tinetti

Offertory: Bolton Family **Counters:** *June 19th (team 8)* J Barker *June 26th (team 1)* L & M Righetti

Weekday Masses: Wednesday 10am Creswick, Friday 10am Daylesford

New rosters are available at rear of the Church.

