



St Peter's Church: Sunday

Mass time 10.30am.

St Augustine's Sunday

Mass time 8.45am.

St Joseph's Blampied

2018 -March long weekend we will have the final mass and luncheon- @ 11.00am details to come.

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Parish Office hours:

Creswick– Tuesday from 9.30am –11.00am

Daylesford– Tues from 12.00-2.00pm; Wed 9.00am –3.00;

Thurs– 9.00am –until 11.30

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NEWSLETTER



November 22, 2017

Dear Father,

Christmas Appeal 2017

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.

I commend the Christmas Appeal to you and to your Parishioners. I am aware that there are many times throughout the year when you are invited to respond to appeals for very worthy causes, but I hope the Ballarat diocese can continue to support this particular appeal.

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

Loreto Vietnam Australia Programme	5,000
St Columban's Mission Society	5,000
Refugees in the Middle East (through Melkite Catholic Eparchy)	5,000
Catholic Education in Myanmar	5,000
Caritas Australia	5,000
Catholic Mission	5,000
Nazareth House Ballarat	5,000
Opening the Doors Foundation	5,000
3BA Christmas in July Appeal	2,000
Exodus Community, Wendouree West	2,000
Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans (ACRATH)	2,000
Edmund Rice Centre	2,000
Villa Maria Catholic Homes	2,000
NET Ministries Australia	2,000
Total donations made in 2017	\$52,000

In anticipation I thank you for your co-operation in recommending the 2017 Christmas Appeal to the generosity of your parishioners and giving them the opportunity to make their contribution on or about Christmas Day.

With every good wish, I am

Yours sincerely in Christ,

+ Paul Bird CSSR
Bishop of Ballarat

This appeal will take place over the next 3 weekends as a leaving collection. Collectors please stand at door. Thankyou.

Parish News:



Creswick St Vincent de Paul - Christmas cards (50c) and Calenders (\$7) available after Mass at rear of St Augustine's.

Combined Advent Study - The first evening will be held at St. John's in Creswick on the 7th and St. Augustine's will host on 14th and 21st. Please bring a plate of food to share for the meal at 6pm followed by study from 7.00pm -8.00pm

Christmas Mass Times:

St Peter's Christmas Eve 5.30pm

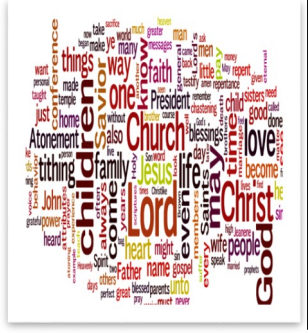
Christmas Day 9.30am

St Augustine's Christmas Eve 7.30pm

Christmas Day 8.00am

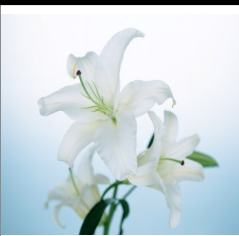


Please email the office if you are able to assist at the Christmas Masses—readers, offertory, ministers of communion.



Last Week's Collections: Two collections are presented after the Prayers of the Faithful. The 1st Collection is cash toward the Presbytery for the sustenance of our Priest – with a contribution of 13% to provide support for our retired priests and the Diocese. The 2nd Collection is the Planned Giving (envelopes) or cash for the administration of the Parish & general running costs

Creswick Parish Collections: 1st Collection \$283.00 2nd Collection \$241.00
Daylesford Parish Collections: 1st Collection \$329.35 2nd Collection \$147.75



Recent Death:

Anniversaries: Daylesford: Pamela Anson, Matilda Kiraly, Dawn Godfrey, Des Quinn, Eileen Bennett, Claire Nason, Harold Lilburne

Anniversaries: Creswick: Ron Morgan, Eileen Murphy, Martin Power, Bill Meyer

Ecumenical service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 10th at 7.00pm at St. John's Church, Creswick.

Making a Scene at Christmas

All are welcome to visit the *Making a Scene at Christmas* displays at the Robert Clark Centre in the Ballarat Gardens from Friday, December 15 - Monday December 18.

Advent

BE WATCHFUL. BE ALERT

Liturgy Roster Creswick & Daylesford Parishes:

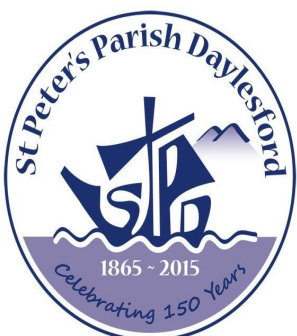


Sunday December 10th @ St Augustine's Creswick:

Cleaners: Elly Van O **Welcomers/Offertory:** Phoebe, Jess, Steve **Remote:** Jess & Steve **Commentator:** Loretta K **Reader:** Alastair H

Eucharistic Ministers: Margie G, Angeline T, Roland K

Weekday Mass: Tuesday 10am



Sunday December 10th @ St Peter's Daylesford:

Reader: B Arnell **Offertory:** Qerim Family

Ministers: S Whiffin, H Cummings, M Righetti **Sacristan:** Rose

Counters: Dec 3rd (Team 4) D & P Doherty
Dec 10th (Team 5) M Phipers, B Ryan

Weekday Mass: Thursday & Friday 10am