



Parish Newsletter - July 12th 2015

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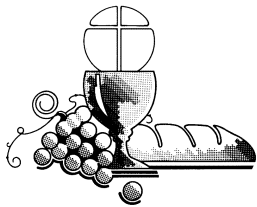
Mass Celebrated first & third, fifth Sundays (Sat vigil 6.00pm)

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

Anniversaries of Death: Stephen Sallai, Val Sealey, Carleen Thomas

Sick List: Brendan Sleeman, Dawn Godfrey

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time — July 19th



St Thomas Aquinas Church Clunes

St Augustine's Creswick

St Joseph's Blampied

St Peter's Daylesford

Sunday July 19th 10.30am

Sunday July 19th 8.45am

Saturday July 18th 6.00pm

Sunday July 19th 10.30am

Midweek Masses — Wed 10am Creswick, Thurs & Fri Daylesford 10am

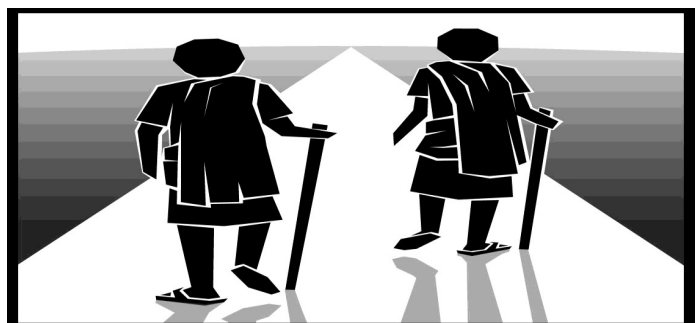
Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tent-maker.

Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God.

Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability. The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring; and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

Communion to the Sick - To ensure that we don't double up, could anyone who is taking Communion to the Sick, wishing to receive Communion, or who is already receiving, please let the Parish Office or Trish Tinetti 5476 4277 know. Thank you.



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) \$196.00

2nd Collection (Planned Giving): \$392.05

Rosters— July 19th **Reader:** R Thannhauser **Commentator:** L Righetti **Offertory:** Walker Family
Ministers: C Bolton, D Leonard, C Collins **Counters:** *July 12th* (Team 7) W Chamberlain, S Whiffen
July 19th (Team 8) J Barker

Open Letter to all Ballarat Diocesan Letter to all Ballarat Diocesan Catholic Communities

Re: Project Compassion 2015

Dear all,

Thank you most sincerely to Ballarat support of PC2015. Nationally, Australian Catholic communities raised \$11.5 million for PC2015 and a further \$5 million was raised in response to the Cyclone Pam (Vanuatu) and Nepal Earthquake appeal for these countries combined.

Ballarat diocesan parishes and schools combined PC2015 and emergency appeals. Included in this amount is \$248,958 for PC2015. This outstanding achievement enables Caritas building their homes and livelihoods and

Project Compassion is a grassroots “Church in Action” campaign. to global poverty and standing in solidarity with those people who experience global injustice extreme poverty. This amazing achievement would not happen without the support Australian Catholic community.

In particular, I sincerely thank Bishop Paul, Ballarat diocesan communities, the CEO Director and the Catholic Development Fund for your amazing support. Two little words “thank you” seem so inadequate in expressing Caritas Australia’s sincere gratitude on behalf of those for whom we all serve.

Yours sincerely, Sue Searls Ballarat .

Diocesan News -

Looking Forward 2015 Gatherings The 2015 Looking Forward Gatherings commence on Tuesday, July 28 from 7.00 - 9.00pm at Warrnambool. And will be held weekly each Tuesday around the Diocese until September 15. Members of Parish Pastoral Councils and Leadership teams are particularly invited to these workshop-style gatherings. Full information and preparation guide have already been emailed to parishes and can be downloaded from the Diocesan website - www.ballarat.catholic.org.au - follow link from front page or contact Amanda, ph. 5337 7125.

Liturgy Formation Sessions 2015 The Diocesan Liturgical Commission will be presenting Liturgy Formation sessions as follows: July 12 - Wendouree Parish (Mass at 10.00am); July 19 - Colac Parish (Mass at 11.00am); August 9 - East Warrnambool Parish (Mass at 10.30am). For more information and to register to attend one of these days, go to the diocesan website or contact the Pastoral Ministry Office ph. 5337 7159.

Fr Barry Ryan's Golden Jubilee of Priestly Ordination Fr Barry Ryan will be celebrating his Golden Jubilee of Priestly Ordination at the St Columba's Parish Church on Sunday, July 19, 2015 at 10.00am Mass. A morning tea will be held in the St Columba's Parish School Hall (Howard Street) following Mass. All are most welcome

Disaster Relief in Nepal Fundraiser Loreto College Ballarat are holding a fundraiser movie night for disaster relief in Nepal. The movie is “Paper Towns” on Friday, July 17, 2015 at 7.00pm at the Regent Cinemas Ballarat. Ticket prices are adults \$15.00 each, students/children \$10.00 each. To book contact Catherine Baker, ph. 5329 6137.