



St Patrick's Stawell, Immaculate Conception Ararat, St Francis of Assisi Landsborough and St Bernard's Lake Bolac form Holy Spirit Parish, Gariwerd.

We acknowledge recognise and respect the elders and families of the Barengi Gadjin and Eastern Maar people, the traditional owners of the land on which our parish gathers. We commit ourselves to walking in unity with our First Nations people.

First Reading

Mal 3:19-20

A reading from the prophet Malachi

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:5-9. R. see v.9

(R.) The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. (R.)

2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples. Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord. (R.)

3. For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness. (R.)

Second Reading

2 Thes 3:7-12

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

Gospel Acclamation

Lk 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk21:5-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

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Mass Times

Ararat	Sunday 8.30am
Stawell	Sunday 10.30am
Lake Bolac	1 st 3 rd 5 th Sundays 6.30pm Vigil Sat

Readings for next Sunday

November 20th
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year C
[2 Sm 5:1-3](#)// [Col 1:12-20](#)// [Lk23:35-43](#)

Landsborough	2 nd 4 th Sundays 6pm Vigil Sat
Glenthompson	(Hamilton Parish) 2 nd 4 th Sundays 8.30am

Weekday Masses (usual schedule)

Tuesday:	10am Stawell (Check bulletin for occasional changes)
Wednesday:	Aged Care
Thursday:	3.30pm Hopkins
Friday:	11am Ararat (Check bulletin for occasional changes)

Aged Care Roster

1 st Wednesday	11.15am Eventide
2 nd Wednesday	11am Lowe St
3 rd Wednesday	10.30am Garden View
4 th Wednesday	10am ARVillage

Recent Deaths: Marjorie McOwan

Anniversaries

David Grinter, Hazel Jewell, Denis McKey 1982, Audrey Nicholson 1997, Patricia Smith, Fr Frank Crowe, Peter Van Opstal, Jacob Weeks, Arthur (Stan) Anyon 2009, Marjorie Holt, Hugh Fitzpatrick, Norma McGrath, John Evans,. Frances Kearney, Margaret McRae, Gerard Mercovich, Leo Green, Keith Jerram, Betty Leonard 2005,. Albert Thomas, Moira Flynn, Paddy Brennan, Hilda Cowell, Rodolfo Auxilio, Julian McKenzie-McHarg, Ivan Bates 1964, Enid Dower, Allan Hewitt, Evelyn Moloney, Hugh Monaghan 1957.

Golden Gate Roster	Sun 13 th Nov Teresa Sun 20 th Nov Jim & Jan Sun 27 th Nov Harry & Anna
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Lake Bolac Roster	Sat Nov 19 Reader Phillip Meek// Prayers of Faithful. Denise Haslett Sat Dec 3 Reader Val Albert// Prayers of Faithful Mick Brennan// Cleaning Leaane Breen Sat Dec 17 th Reader Denise Haslett//. Prayers of Faithful Deb Glasson
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Ararat Roster	Sun Nov 13 th Facil C McAdie//Reader K Leggett// EMin Anna Collins Sun Nov 20 th Facil Peter Brady//Reader Sr John//Emin Charlie Reid Sun Nov 27 th Facil Rebecca Rodger//Reader Elizabeth Shea//Emin Marg Olle
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St Vincent de Paul Flood Appeal

The St Vincent de Paul Society has established a Victorian Flood Appeal. Contributions can be made by:

- Calling 13 18 12;
- Visiting <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>

You can also:

- make a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase;
- via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

Stawell -CWL

The Stawell CWL is hosting a cuppa after today's Mass – Everyone Welcome

Stawell CWL

Will be having a shared lunch in the church hall on Thursday 24th Nov followed by their Annual General Meeting. Everyone is welcome

The Stawell CWL will be selling packets of Christian Christmas cards after Masses – a packet of 10 cards for \$8.00.

St Anne's Grandmothers' Club

St Anne's Christmas get together will be at Bernadette Harrington's home on Wednesday November 23 at 2pm. KK \$10

Ararat Mass for the Dead

This annual Mass for those who have died will be on Thursday December 1 at 7pm at St Mary's Church. Please bring a plate to share.

World Day of the Poor – Sunday, November 13

The call to serve the poor has been greatly emphasised under the papacy of Pope Francis, who established the World Day of the Poor in 2017. The Holy Father's message for 2022 is a reflection on 2 Corinthians 8:9: "For your sakes Christ became poor." On this day Catholics are called to consider the suffering of our brothers and sisters and are challenged to practice corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Caritas Social Action Network have provided resources at <https://www.csan.org.uk/news/world-day-of-the-poor-2022/>

Prayer for World Day of the Poor

Loving Father
your risen Son sent us out into the world
as ambassadors for the kingdom of God;
inspire us with your Spirit of compassion, justice and truth
to declare the Good News to those who are poor,
to work for the relief, defence and liberation
of all who are trapped in oppressive circumstances.
We make this our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

Remembrance Day – November 11

There is a Remembrance Day reflection available from the diocesan website
<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/remembrance-day-november-11/>

OLHC Parish Wendouree Christmas Day Lunch (No Cost)

OLHC Parish Wendouree 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. Transport to the Hall is available. If you are able to volunteer on this day, please phone the number listed to register your availability.

Roll up your sleeves; make a difference overseas

Do you require professional renewal, or are you seeking a retirement challenge? Communities abroad are asking for qualified and experienced Australians able to mentor their people in education, health, administration, trades, agriculture and more. Imagine yourself re-engaging your vocational passion in Africa, Asia or the Pacific. Since 1961 Palms Australia has been recruiting Australians able to offer mentoring that will allow overseas counterparts opportunities otherwise unattainable. Sharing your skills will strengthen the capacity of workers overseas to serve their communities for generations to come, long after you return home. Communities in American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Zambia are seeking to fill a variety of roles. Enquire about those roles via www.palms.org.au or by calling 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567.

Competition for Jubilee 2025 Hymn

The Dicastery for Evangelization invites entries for the Hymn for the Holy Year 2025, encouraging interested persons to set to music a provided text which expresses the essence of the Jubilee event. Interested participants in the competition are invited to set to music a text proposed by the Dicastery's Section for Fundamental Questions regarding Evangelization in the World, which expresses the essence of the jubilee event. The hymn is intended to have a liturgical purpose and should be capable of being sung by a Church congregation and by a schola cantorum. Entries close on March 25, 2023. More information available from <http://www.evangelizatio.va/content/pcpne/en/news/giubileo-2022-09-19.html>

Red Wednesday, 23 November 2022

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) invites you to join in this special day to pray for and stand in solidarity with the 200+ million Christians persecuted for their faith. Around the world, churches and public buildings will light up in red as a symbol of the sacrifice and suffering of our modern-day martyrs. In Australia, ten Cathedrals will be lit in red, with some holding Masses and prayer vigils for persecuted Christians. Parishes and groups may like to hold a prayer hour or pray the rosary together. Individually, you may wish to go to Mass for someone who can't or intentionally wear a religious symbol remembering those who cannot make such a public display of faith. To find out what is happening at a Cathedral near you and other ways to get involved visit www.aidtochurch.org/redwednesday

The Australian Pastoral Musicians Network and the National Liturgical Council

The Australian Pastoral Musicians Network and the National Liturgical Council are pleased to announce a combined liturgy and music conference to be held at the Brisbane Hilton from 28 – 30 September, 2023, called *Mystery and Mission: The Art of Liturgical Celebration*.

This important formation opportunity is designed for liturgists, musicians, clergy, cantors, choristers, lay liturgical ministers, composers, teachers, conductors, liturgy teams, catechists, campus ministers and those who plan prayer and liturgy in schools.

We are currently inviting **expressions of interest** from those who would like to **present a workshop** at the conference. We are looking forward to offering delegates a range of rich workshop topics, and so we invite you to nominate a topic that you think will contribute to this important work of liturgical formation for people in parishes and schools.

Please [click here](#) to complete the electronic form before Monday 14 November.

If you know of someone else who would be particularly suited as a workshop presenter at this Conference, please feel free to forward this email on to them.

We thank you for your consideration and look forward to receiving your workshop proposal.

Please contact us at mysteryandmissionconference@gmail.com if you require any further details.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

This feast celebrates the power and authority of Christ by creating a collage of images that capture one or more characteristics of Christ's kingship. Each image reinterprets the concept of king, investing it with new meaning. Gathered together they create a kind of litany that extols the kingship of Christ.

Shepherd and commander call to mind the care and protection that Christ lavishes on those who place themselves under his care. King of Israel is a sign of universal rule. Image of the Invisible God acclaims the divine origin of Christ and of the rule that he exercises over all. First born of all Creation places Christ over the entire created world. Source of all Created Things acknowledges both the sovereignty of Christ and his importance as the model after which all things were fashioned. Head of the Body, the Church underscores the intimacy and interrelationship that exist between Christ and all those who are joined to him through faith and baptism. Firstborn of the Dead not only acclaims Christ's resurrection, but it also guarantees the resurrection of those who will follow him into death. Crucified King is clearly the image that reinterprets all other images.

The entire liturgical year is brought to completion in the last words of the gospel: 'Today you will be with me in Paradise.' These are the words that we all long to hear, words that are empty when coming from one who has no authority but charged with power when spoken by the one who is king over us all.

Lectionary Art and Reflection by Jenny Close Reflection by Artist

Even in extremis, Jesus and one of the other victims of crucifixion are able to reach out in genuine solidarity to each other. How ironic that it is a condemned thief who testifies to Jesus as Christ the King and how appropriate that we finish the liturgical year with Jesus giving a repentant sinner the assurance of redemption. In this story the powerless are gracious and the powerful are crude and uncaring. When our God is such a compassionate God, it is scandalous that we so frequently lack compassion.

