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The Parishes of St Columba's & Our Lady Help of Christians (including Lexton, Miners Rest and Waubra) follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we also implement procedures and standards as directed by the Ballarat

Diocesan Office. You can download our Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy from the Parish website or on the foyer notice board. If you have any concerns whatsoever—please contact the Parish Office, Fr. Marcello or one of the Safe Guarding Officers at [wendouree@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:wendouree@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or [ballaratnorth@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:ballaratnorth@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### COVID Safe Plan

- ◆ If you are feeling unwell or have any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough or sore throat) please do not attend Mass.
- ◆ Ensure that you maintain appropriate physical distancing at all times (1.5 metres).
- ◆ Whilst a face mask is not compulsory they are recommended.
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Communities of Lexton, Miners Rest, Waubra, Learmonth, Wendouree

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*We acknowledge the Traditional Owners and custodians of the land on which our Parish communities meet, the Wadawurrung people. We pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging, and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation of first peoples.*

#### Staffing

**Parish Priest:** Fr Marcello Colasante

**Finance Officer:**  
Bernadette Prestwood

**Office Hours:** Wed-Fri 9-1pm

**Parish Co-ord & Safeguarding Officer:**  
Maree Roache

#### MASS TIMES (This week) Wendouree

Saturday: 6:00 pm Vigil Wendouree

Sunday 8:30am Waubra  
9.00am Creswick (LLA)  
10.30am Daylesford

#### Waubra

1st Sun of the month 8:30 am

#### Weekday Mass

Wednesday Daylesford 9:30 am  
Thursday Wendouree 10:00 am  
Friday Creswick 10:30 am

#### Readings for Next Weekend:

**10th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Genesis 3: 9-15

Psalms: 129: R.v 7

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 4: 13-5:1

Gospel: Mark 3: 20-35



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#### Body & Blood of Christ (B) - 2nd June 2024

#### Focus on the Scripture

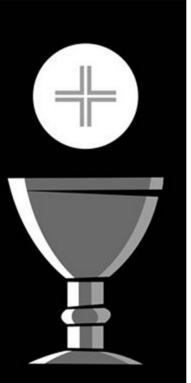
I have met the Dalai Lama, obviously an admirable man of deep spirituality and simplicity of life. He believes that, after his death, there could be a further phase of existence as an insect or an animal.

Contrast Jesus of Nazareth, a man of deep spirituality and simplicity of life. He believed, and staked his life on it, that he would lead a glorified, fully human existence after death. There would be no extinguishing of his personality, but rather, it would be enhanced. He was vindicated in the Resurrection.

As St John Paul II put it, at the Last Supper, Our Lord gave us a sacramental way of eating and drinking and 'digest[ing] the secret of the Resurrection', what St Ignatius of Antioch called, 'the medicine of immortality, an antidote to death'.

Our Lord chose bread and wine to convey his Real Presence into us. It is the first course of the marriage feast of Heaven, but it has a beneficial effect on our earthly stage of existence. Bread nourishes us and wine gladdens our hearts. Our Lord shares his risen and glorified life with us because he wants to nourish us and gladden our hearts.

We may take a moment to pray that we will share the marriage feast of Heaven with those we especially love, and those for whom heavenly existence will be a life-enhancing surprise. Let us pray for His Holiness the Dalai Lama that he may find himself alongside Pope Francis in the everlasting joy of Heaven.



**Responsorial Psalm:** I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

**Recently Deceased:** Those who have passed into eternal life.

**Anniversaries: We remember** Maureen Bawden, Margaret Arundell, Frances Dorrington, Rod Lavery,

**We pray:** for all in areas of conflict, war and natural disasters, for the sick and all in need of our prayers.



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**Praying with Pope Francis:  
intention for June-  
For those fleeing their country**

Pope Francis dedicates June to praying for “for migrants fleeing wars or hunger, forced into journeys full of danger and violence, to find acceptance and new life opportunities in their host countries”.

**Mass Time at OLHC.** As the dawn of winter approaches, the Parish has been asked to consider changing the time of Mass to the earlier time of 5.30 pm instead of 6.00 pm. Hence there a 'straw' poll will be conducted on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June. If most people prefer the earlier time of 5.30 pm then the change will take effect from the following weekend ie: Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June.



**Garden renovation at OLHC.**

Parishioners will have noticed changes to the garden. The old roses have been removed, along with the weed-matting. Agapanthus have also been removed. Once the site is cleared it will be re-planted with a native, easy-care garden.



In addition there will be a new fence to replace the dilapidated fencing between the parish and the school.

**GOSPEL FOCUS**

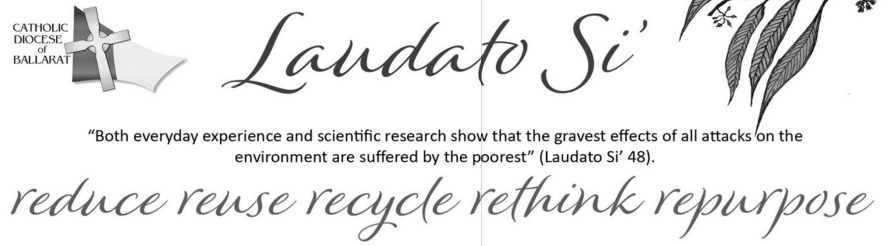
**Words of Institution**

*The words of the gospel passage in which Jesus takes bread and wine and blesses them will be familiar. They are the words used at the consecration of the bread and wine during the Mass. The words and actions of Jesus at the Last Supper are regarded as instituting the celebration of the Eucharist. Jesus took an act that was familiar to the Passover meal and gave it a new meaning and a new significance for his followers. What had been a memory of escape from slavery in Egypt became an ongoing reminder of Christ's continued presence in the Eucharist and in the Eucharistic community.*



**Centralised Baptism Preparation Session**

Parents planning to have their child baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Next session is at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall, 3 Lyons St South, Ballarat, Next session: Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2024 at either 10:00 am or 5:30 pm.



**“Learn about your food”.** Did you know? Discovering more about food helps you eat meals that are better for the planet. Learn if your snack grew on a tree or comes from a farm. How did it end up in that wrapper?

**Prayer to end domestic violence**

*Loving God, we pray for an to end domestic, family and violence against women in our community.*

*We ask for your wisdom and guidance. We pray for constancy in seeking a society where all people are safe in their home, families and close relationships, and where all relationships respect the equality and dignity of each person.*

*We pray for all those affected by violence, that they may find safety and healing. We pray that all women and children will find a place and life free from violence and children will be cared for in nurturing, protective and supportive ways.*

*We pray for young men that they may find models of respectful relationships and reject the violent and demeaning images of manhood current in our society.*

*We ask for the courage to confront the causes of family violence, including the prevalence of violence in society, abuse of power and the unequal position of women in the community.*

*We pray for right and just relations between all people, so that together we may transform and overcome violence in all its forms.*

*We long for the time you have promised, when violence is banished, women and men are open to love and be loved, children are protected and the work and wealth of our world is justly shared.*

*Through Christ our Lord. Amen.* Source: Catholic Social Services Victoria

**Caritas Australia’s Sudan Crisis Appeal** Following the outbreak of conflict in Sudan a year ago, 25 million people - including 14 million children - now need humanitarian assistance and support, according to the United Nations.

9 million have been displaced from their homes making Sudan the largest displacement crisis in the world!

Damage to infrastructure has impacted access to food, water, healthcare services, and even banking. Sudan now teeters on the edge of a famine. Since the outbreak of violence Caritas partners in Sudan have distributed food at 17 gathering points for internally displaced people, as well as delivering multipurpose cash assistance, water and hygiene services, and gender-based violence protection. You can donate online [www.caritas.org.au/sudan](http://www.caritas.org.au/sudan) or phone 1800 024 413

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat – Formation**

In preparation for the Diocesan Assembly in November 2024, there will be formation sessions held around the diocese with a focus on leadership and governance. In 2023, Bishop Paul asked parishes to focus on leadership in their local communities, either by forming or developing further a parish council or leadership team according to local circumstances. The Diocesan Assembly will bring together diocesan clergy, representatives of the leadership teams in parishes, schools and Catholic organisations to consider how we might develop leadership and governance in our communities in the future. The formation opportunity is for Diocesan Clergy, Parish Leadership Team/ Parish Councils, School Leadership Teams/School Advisory Councils, Catholic Organisations Leaders. An invitation is also extended to people who have leadership potential and who would like to participate. Leadership teams are invited to nominate others who might benefit from this experience. Fr Justin Driscoll will facilitate the formation sessions. Dates are: Swan Hill - June 12; Robinvale - June 13; Horsham - July 28; Colac – July 30; Buninyong - August 4; Warrnambool - August 25. **Further details on the format will follow.**

OLHC 8th June 2024	(next week)	Saturday 6:00 pm
LEADER OF SONG		Vin Dillon
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		Elly Green
MINISTER OF THE WORD		Colin & Helen Feely
COMMUNION MINISTERS		Bev Haywood & Val Bourke
SACRISTAN		Tony & Pauline Newman
Waubra Church cleaning	June	Phyllis & Pat Bourke
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