

Our Lady Help of Christians

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### 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).
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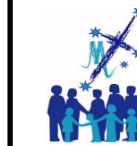
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Office hours - Wednesday & Friday 11.30am - 4pm, Thursday 9am - 2pm

*Our parishes are committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults. We acknowledge the Traditional Owners and custodians of the land on which our Parish communities meet: the Wadawurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung 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

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

### MASS TIMES (This week) Wendouree

Saturday: 5:30 pm Vigil Wendouree

Sunday 8:30 am Waubra

9.00am Creswick  
(Lay-Led Assembly)

10.30am Daylesford

### Waubra

1st Sun of the month 8:30 am

### Weekday Mass

**Wed** Daylesford 10.30 am

**Thurs** Wendouree No Mass

**Friday** Creswick 10:30am

### Readings for Next Weekend:

#### 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Exodus 16: 2-4.12-15

Psalm: 77: 3-4. 23-25. 54 R.v 24

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24

Gospel: John 6: 24-35



### 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) - 28th July 2024

### Focus on the Scripture

Pope Francis draws our attention to the boy's role in today's Gospel passage. He 'makes us think', the Pope says. 'His compassion moved him to offer what he had.'

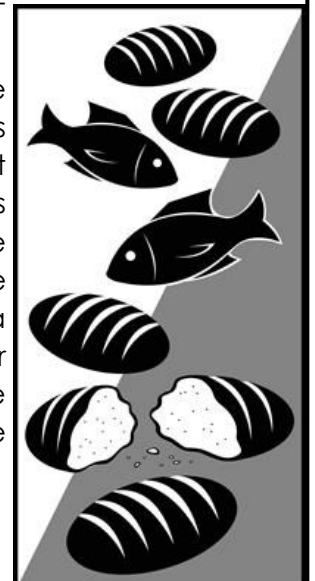
There is no suggestion in the Gospel that the loaves and fish were forcibly taken from the boy. Rather, it is implied that they were his gift. An act of human charity is, therefore, a key element in Jesus' miracle.

Another noteworthy factor is Jesus' sense of priority. This episode, the Pope points out, 'shows us again that Jesus is attentive to people's primary needs'. This has implications for we who seek to follow him.

After all, the boy was discovered because Jesus prompted his disciples to think about how they could feed the crowd. As the Pope says, 'the people were hungry and Jesus engaged his disciples so that this hunger could be satisfied.'

While Jesus offered the crowd much more than food – 'his Word, his solace, his salvation, ultimately his life' – he did not neglect their physical needs. 'And we, his disciples, cannot ignore this', the Pope affirms. We are called to follow the example of Jesus, his apostles, and the boy with a few loaves and fish. We must not turn our backs on the people or retreat from the world. We must face up to the reality we find – and do what we can.

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**Responsorial Psalm:** The had of the lord feeds us: he answers all our needs.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited this people. Alleluia!

**Recently Deceased:** Rosemary Ryan (Fr Barry sister), Lloyd Loader (Bill's brother)

**Anniversaries: We remember** Fr Frank Smith CSsR, John Graham,

**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 July-  
For Pastoral Care of the Sick**

The Holy Father asks "for the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to give strength from the Lord to those who receive it and their loved one, becoming a visible sign of compassion and hope for everyone".

**OLHC Reconciliation and Eucharist preparation.**



This workshop-style program has commenced and will continue on Tuesday, July 30th at 6:00 pm in OLHC School. This is for children who have already received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and will be preparing for both Reconciliation and First Communion. Reconciliation will be celebrated on Tuesday August 6th at 6:00 pm. First Communion will be celebrated on Saturday August 24th at 5:30 pm.



**Fourth World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly  
- Sunday, July 28, 2024**

**Prayer for the Fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly**

Lord, faithful God, You who created us in Your image,  
You who never leaves us alone and who accompanies us  
through every season of life,  
Do not abandon us, take care of us, and grant us, once  
again,  
the ability to discover ourselves and recognise that we are  
Your children.  
Renew our hearts with your Word and do not allow anyone  
to be cast aside.  
May your Spirit of love fill us with Your tenderness and teach  
us to say:  
"I will not abandon you!" to those we meet on our journey.  
With the help of your beloved Son, may we not lose the  
taste for fraternity  
and may we not conform to the sadness of loneliness.  
Help us to look to the future with renewed hope,  
and make the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly  
a day without loneliness, and a day abundant with the first-  
fruits of Your peace. Amen.



**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 August 1st 2024 at either 10:00 am or 5:30 pm.

**OLHC Liturgy Ministries:**

A Liturgy requires preparation for Sunday Eucharist. The various tasks are carried out by several teams of people. Teams who upon scripture reflection prepare the music, the Prayers of Intercession and power point.

Other ministries include, sacristans, readers, communion ministers, collectors and décor (wall décor, flowers which enhance the celebrations of particular feasts and liturgical seasons) It takes a wide variety of people to share their gifts in fulfilling their respective areas of responsibility in providing a warm spiritual place of worship for our community.

A combined ministry roster is compiled every quarter.

In addition to the Sunday Eucharist Liturgy, the liturgy team also prepare the November Remembrance and Reconciliation Liturgies and provide support for Funeral Ministry,

Support and resources are offered for all these ministries.

If you would like to know more or are interested in participating in any way, please contact either Corrie at 0401 478 220 or Sue 0403 902 921.



**St Vincent de Paul Society**

was first established in Wendouree in 1931 and has been assisting the people of Wendouree ever since. In 2011 a drop-in centre was first opened in Violet Grove and is open 9.30---11.30. Monday Wednesday & Friday. Each week between 25---50 people are assisted with food parcels or vouchers for Food,

Scripts, Myki top ups, Blankets etc. There are currently 17 members, mostly O.L.H.C. Parishioners. The Centre is run on a roster system. We are happy to receive new members, or just to show where and how we operate. The Society is always open to donations (money or non-perishables food)

President *Harry Kennedy*

**PREPARATION FOR DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY**

In preparation for the Diocesan Assembly in November 2024, formation sessions are being held around the diocese with a focus on leadership and governance. The Diocesan Assembly will bring together 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 clergy in parishes, Parish Leadership Teams/ School Advisory Councils, Catholic Organisation Leaders. An invitation is also extended to people who have leadership potential and who would like to participate. Ballarat dates are:

August 4, 10.30 am-4.00 pm, Ss Peter and Paul's Church, Buninyong,  
**August 13, 5.30 pm-8.30 pm, OLHC Church, Wendouree.**

**Our Diocesan Community – Issue 2 2024**

The second edition of ODC 2024 is now available for collection from the church foyer. Please take copies to the homebound, nursing homes, hospitals, etc., to spread the good news of the diocese.

**Australian Catholics** magazine—**Spring** issue is also available for you to read and share.



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3rd August 2024	(next week)	Saturday 6:00 pm
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PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		Margaret White
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