

BALLARAT NEWS

CENTRALISED BAPTISM PREPARATION: Clergy, staff & Baptism coordinators from the Parishes St Columba's Ballarat North, Our Lady Help of Christians Wendouree, St Alipius Ballarat East, St Patrick's Cathedral, St Aloysius Redan and St James' Sebastopol have been meeting to discuss centralisation of the Baptism preparation process. Commencing on the 3rd August at 10.00 am & 7.00 pm and monthly thereafter on the first Thursday of each month, all families wishing to have their children (under 7) baptized will be invited to attend these preparation sessions. All initial enquiries will still need to be directed to your own Parish.

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship – applications now open . Details and application:

<http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

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Notice Board: Week of prayer for Christian Unity. Camino Pilgrimage & European 2017 tour. Family Matters.

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Email: wendouree@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Parish Web: ballarat.catholic.org.au (Select parish)

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Parish Priest: Fr Marcello Colasante

Visiting Priest: Fr Barry Ryan

Staff at St Columba's

Pastoral Associate: Judith O'Sullivan

Parish Secretary: Ruth Marquand

Wed 8.30– 12.30, Thurs & Fri 9-2.30pm

Staff at Wendouree

Parish Co-ordinator: Maree Roache
Wed-Friday 9:00am—1:00pm

Exodus Community: 5338 2118

Mass times: St Columba's

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am

Wednesday: 9:30 am

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Sunday: 10:00 am

Tuesday 5:00 pm

Wednesday: 10:00 am

Thursday: 11:00 am Kelaston

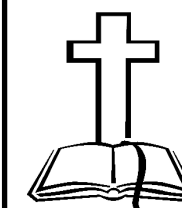
Friday: 10:00 am

Readings for Next weekend:

Dt 8: 2-3, 14-16

1Cor 10: 16 –17

Jn 6: 51-58



11th June, 2017. Trinity Sunday (Year A)

Focus on the Scripture



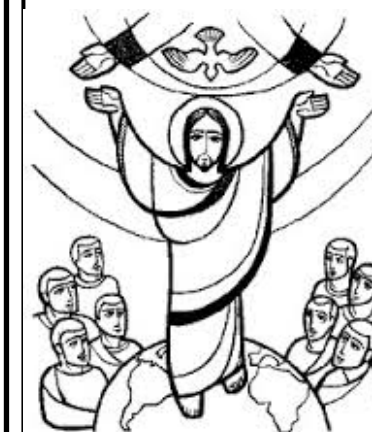
When he was crucified Jesus uttered: 'It is finished.' What had finished? His earthly ministry during which he painted a picture of the most intimate communion between Himself, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, so intimate that the Church needed a new word: 'Tri-Unity' or 'Trinity' for short.

God is pulsating, shimmering light, dancing in threefold exchange of love, each being simultaneously poured into the other. God is 'Being-In-Love' and love is always relational.

'You are made in the image and likeness of God'? Because of the ministry of Jesus Christ, we know what that really means. We are made to live in relationship – not in solitary.

If we think that the ultimate good is to be self-sufficient/ autonomous, that leads to a hellish existence. When we live with as much self-giving as is possible, we are on the way to a heavenly existence.

We could pause for a moment to give thanks for the revelation of the nature of God, and consequently of the true nature of human beings.



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Responsorial Psalm: Glory and praise for ever

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia.

Deaths: Scott Spark, Maureen Fithall, Fay Newton.

Anniversaries: William McNamara, Peter Seuren, Jack Caine

We pray: for the sick of our Parishes especially Blake Dridan (pupil at St Columba's School).

ST COLUMBA'S PARISH NEWS

St Vincent's Winter Appeal This weekend we are collecting for the annual St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. This appeal coincides with the time of year that many of our less fortunate in society need assistance the most. Funds raised will be dedicated to rebuilding lives – to providing blankets for warmth, assistance in paying utility bills and rent and the provision of food. It is hoped that the Appeal will be able to assist some 1.3 million people in chronic need this winter. Please give generously (envelopes can be found at the end of each pew). More information about the appeal can be found at <https://winterappeal.vinnies.org.au/>

Liturgy Formation 2017 The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions again 2017: Ballarat will be held at the Cathedral on Sunday 9 July. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass, Workshops on offer are Funeral Ministry, the Diocesan Sacrament of Initiation Program, "Let the Children Come" and Formation for Lectors. A flyer and registration form are available in the foyer of the church. Registration is also available via the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Confirmation—We congratulate the following candidates who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 11th June and pray for them as they continue in their faith journey:

Rex Brennan	Beau Callanan	Flynn Carter	Marley Constable
Ella Greene	Grace Greene	Eamonn Joyce	Max Kinniburgh
Talia Landry	Agatha Mardling	Finn O'Heir	Thomas Walter
Emily Whittaker			

Save the Date Our next Parish lunch will be held on Thursday 27th July. Mark your diaries now. Further details to follow.

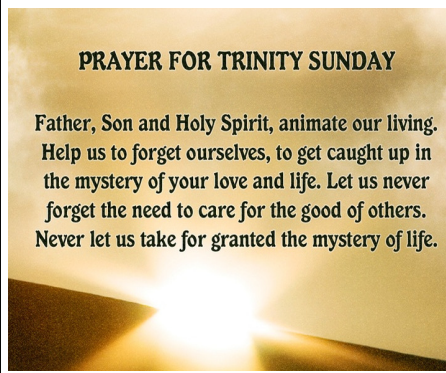
First Eucharist/First Reconciliation we will commence preparation for Grade 4 students next term. For further information please contact Judith in the Parish Office.

Thanksgiving		<i>We thank you for your generous support</i>	
1st Collection (For support of the Clergy in the Diocese)	\$ 725.10		
2nd Collection (Last weeks giving for up keep of Parish)	\$ 2456.00	Average for this financial year	\$ 2045.44
		Week 49	

THIS WEEKEND	SATURDAY 10 June	SUNDAY 11 June
WELCOMER	Helen O'Loughlin	Catherine Fara
COMMENTATOR	Rosemary Fithall	Irene Monigatti
FIRST MINISTER OF THE WORD	Shirley Edgar	Kim Butler
SECOND MINISTER OF THE WORD	Kate Lawry	Anthea Hinchey
GIFTS	Edgar Family	Confirmation Children
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST	Tom Keogh Jnr, Ann Lacey, Trish Simmons	Mary Kennedy, Chris Haintz, Colleen Wakefield
OVERHEADS	Volunteer please	Volunteer please
SACRISTAN	Norah Moloney	Anne Rossiter

What's on this week:

Wed 14 June—9:30am Mass in foyer



PRAYER FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, animate our living. Help us to forget ourselves, to get caught up in the mystery of your love and life. Let us never forget the need to care for the good of others. Never let us take for granted the mystery of life.

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH NEWS

Planned Giving to Date: End of March statements are available in the foyer. New envelopes will be available as from Saturday 17th June.

Balance as of 31/01/2017 = \$69,166, compared with the 31/05/15 (before renewal) = \$45,704. This is an Increase of \$23,462. Well done. Thank you for your generous gifting to the operation of our Parish. [Chris Pearce](#)

Planned Giving & Parish Data Base: The parish needs a responsible parishioner to take over the management of Planned Giving and the Database. Adequate training will be provided. If you are computer literate and interested in this rewarding activity please contact [Chris Pearce](#) ph: 0419 178 919

Parish Luncheon - Our next Parish Get-together Luncheon at the Park Hotel Bistro will be on Wednesday 28th June at 12 noon. All welcome. Please add your name to the list in the church foyer, for booking purposes.



St Vincent de Paul ~ Annual General Meeting: Wednesday 28th June in the Meeting Room, commencing at 12 noon.

Liturgy Formation: For Funeral ministry, Sacramental ministry and Lectors. Sessions will be held in Colac on 25th June, Ballarat on 9th July and Warrnambool on 23rd July. Further information available on the Parish Noticeboard.

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Exodus Community: There is a basket for donations of canned, dried or packaged food stuffs to be collected by the members of the Exodus community. This basket is available in the church foyer. Donations will be gratefully accepted.

Collections:		<i>We thank you for your generous support</i>	
1st Collection (For support of the Clergy in the Diocese)	\$ 836	Credit Card	\$ 2025
2nd Collection (Last weeks giving for up-keep of Parish)	\$ 1077		
	Direct Debit:	\$ 96	Weekly average: \$ 1476
	Loose Money	\$ 102	

NEXT WEEKEND	6pm	10:00 am	What's on this week
LEADER of SONG	Corrie Harbour	Margaret White	Thurs 15th Kelaston 11:00 am
MINISTER of the WORD	John Bourke	Bill Hill	
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST	Bev Hayward, Pat Dillon, Trish Pearce, John Kirby, Joyce Jackson	Elly Green, Tony Bruty, Pauline Howard + 2 volunteers	
SACRISTAN	Sue & John Calistro	Joyce Jackson	
COUNTERS		K. Connors, J. Calistro, H. Rieniets	Next Week:
CHURCH CLEANING	Glenda Muir, Melva Muir		Sun 18th Lunch at Yacht Club
Rural Communities	This Weekend - Learmonth	Next Weekend - Waubra	Wed 21st Liturgy Meeting 10:30 am
Minister of Word:	Kerry Mullane	Tony McDonald	PPC meeting 7:00 pm.
Minister of Eucharist:	Clare Mullane	Kerryn Gallagher	Thurs 22nd Properties meeting 2 pm
Church Cleaning:	Kerryn & Lawrence Gallagher	Bev Hayward	