



# Parish Newsletter February 7, 2016

CRESWICK OFFICE *Hours: \*\*Wednesday 10am - 11am. (\*\*If Wednesday Mass )*

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PARISH PRIEST: Fr. Gary A Jones

## ST THOMAS AQUINAS', Bailey Street, CLUNES

MASS: Saturday 6.30pm (on the eve of each 2nd & 4th Sunday in the month)

LAY LED ASSEMBLY: Sunday 10.30am (1st Sunday ONLY in the month)

Nb. NO service on weekends when a 3rd Sunday or when a 5th Sunday in the month

ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL: Mr. Terry Brennan, Principal.

SCHOOL OFFICE *Ph: 5345 2106 (Mandy) Website: www.sacreswick.catholic.edu.au*

DIOCESAN *Website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (inc ONLINE PARISH BULLETIN)*

## JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

### PARISH VISION STATEMENT:

Our Parish is a welcoming and inclusive community, based on the Christian ethic where our lives are enhanced by worship that enriches, leadership that is shared and service that cares.

### ASH WEDNESDAY (this week):

St Augustine's, Creswick: 10am Wed Feb 10

St Peter's, Daylesford: 12noon Wed Feb 10

### Other WEEKDAY Masses:

St Peter's, Daylesford: 10am Thu/Fri Feb 11/12

### Next WEEKEND (Saturday eve & Sunday morning):

St Thomas Aquinas', Clunes: 6.30pm Sat Feb 13

St Augustine's, Creswick: 8.45am Sun Feb 14

St Peter's, Daylesford: 10.30am Sun Feb 14

## 6.30pm MASS @ CLUNES NEXT SATURDAY EVE, Feb 13 (Eve of 2nd Sunday in the month)

Fr Emmanuel Green, James Murphy,  
Julia Conaughton, Alice Murphy, William Retson  
(*anniversary of death*)

Steven Treacy, Sandra Kenyon (*unwell*)



OUR CONGRATULATIONS to **GEORGIA GRACE LOUISE REID** upon receiving the **Sacrament of Baptism** this morning at St Augustine's, Creswick.

## Gospel Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

Today we consider the call to continue the mission of Jesus by engaging in some form of ministry. The first and the last readings are call narratives; the epistle contains a statement of the faith that undergirds our response to our call; the psalm response celebrates the gracious goodness of God that makes all of this possible.

Our call is more than a summons to faith; it is a call to ministry. Isaiah is called in order to be sent; the fishermen are called in order to gather others to Jesus. So it is with us. We are called to be sent out to the world. This call comes to us in the ordinariness of life. It will usually come to us as we wash our nets or our dishes, as we teach or raise children, as we prepare a brief for trial or examine a patient; as we repair cars or work at the computer. The call of God comes to us in the ordinariness of life.

We are called to proclaim the message of the resurrection by any and every means possible. Some, like Isaiah and the disciples of Jesus, will witness in open and dramatic ways. They will teach and preach; they will nurse the sick and care for the elderly. Others will witness in less conspicuous ways. They will insist on fair practices in their own workplaces; they will weed out expressions of prejudice and violence so that a new and just world can be fashioned for themselves and for their children. Called in the ordinariness of their lives, they will witness to the death and resurrection in that very ordinariness, thus transforming everything into extraordinariness.

<b>FEB 13/14:</b>	<b>CLUNES</b>	<b>CRESWICK</b>
<b>Reader:</b>	Lenaghan	Sr Louise
<b>Leaders:</b>	n/a	n/a
<b>Comm'tor:</b>	n/a	Loretta K
<b>Sp Minister/s:</b>	Higgins	Barb-Margie-Judy
<b>Welc'/Offer'y:</b>	n/a	Reasons
<b>Remote:</b>	n/a	Angeline T
<b>Counters:</b>	n/a	Josie & Brian R
<b>Cleaning:</b>	<i>DURING THIS COMING WEEK – before NEXT Sunday</i>	
	n/a	Bernie & Pat T

**Collections:** Both weekly collections occur after the General Intercessions.  
Last week: 1st (Priest Support) - \$245.00; 2nd (PG/Parish) \$100.00

## Re: Expressions of Interest for the Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission

*from Paul Bird, Bishop of Ballarat*

The Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission was established in 2011. Since then the Commission has met four times a year and provided leadership for the diocese in matters relating to Social Justice.

Members of the Commission come from a range of areas of Diocesan life including clergy and religious, the education and welfare sectors, and parishes.

[Any] parishioners who may have the interest and passion for Social Justice, appropriate expertise and experience, and available time, to be an effective member of the Commission, [are invited to apply].

During February all Expressions of Interest will be considered and the composition of the Commission finalised. Please note that the Social Justice Commission will meet on these days:  
March 5, May 14, August 27, November 12.

Expression of Interest form link is <http://tinyurl.com/bdjsc2016>. I would be grateful if the Expressions of Interest form could be completed by **15<sup>th</sup> February, 2016**.

Should you require any more copies of the above, or have any queries, please contact Vin Dillon, member of the BDSJC (M: 0409175273 / Email: [vindillon@gmail.com](mailto:vindillon@gmail.com)).

Thank you for your support of this important Diocesan ministry.



### ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

*(Wednesday, Feb 10)*

St Augustine's, Creswick: **10am**

St Peter's, Daylesford: **12noon**

### COMBINED CHURCH LENTEN STUDY

Held at St Augustine's this year: a 5 week program of reflective study using a beautiful booklet chosen by Fr Ryan Bennett (St John's).

Starting **THURSDAY**, February 18

**6 - 7.30pm**

*(with shared light, finger-food style meal to start with)*

**Location: The back meeting room in St Augustine's church.**

*See Sue or Angeline to register your interest or to get more info*

**Diocesan News: Rite of Election** The Rite of Election is an important part of the process of a person's journey to full membership in the Catholic Church community and one which is greatly appreciated by all who participate. This applies to both adults and children of catechetical age. The Rite of Election for catechumens, candidates and children of catechetical age will take place on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2016 at 12.30PM** in **St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat**. The presider will be Bishop Paul Bird CSsR. At the conclusion of the ceremony all are invited to join the Bishop in St Patrick's Hall for a light lunch. For further information contact the Pastoral Ministry Office, ph. 5337 7159 or [pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### **Parish—School Sacramental Program 2016**

**FIRST RECONCILIATION** (Forgiveness) - Year 4 Children.

**Parent Meeting-** (a gathering in preparation for the program)

Tuesday Feb 16 @ 4.00pm St Augustine's School Creswick.

Wednesday Feb 17 @ 4.00pm St Michael's School Daylesford.

**Celebration of the Sacrament** will held on Wednesday, March 23:

Creswick @10.00am, St Augustine's Church.

Daylesford @ 4.00pm St Peter's Church.

### St. Augustine's Family Group

Lunch at Blue Bell Hotel

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February, 12 noon

*More info to come*

### 'LET THEM STAY' rally

Grandmothers against Detention of Refugee Children  
Invitation to join them to voice their protest against the return of 80 children and their families to Nauru.

**10am Monday February 15**

Outside the electoral office of Catherine King MP

5 Lydiard St North, Ballarat

ENQUIRIES: Cath 0437 185 238

### Lay Led Assembly Material

Sunday Assembly of Word and Communion resources for Lent Year C have been emailed/mailed to contacts.

Resource material has also been loaded onto the Diocesan website in the resources section.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2016 - CRESWICK

**Venue: John Curtin Aged Care Complex**

**Address: 6 Cushing Avenue, Creswick, Vic. 3363**

**Contact: Major Jeanette van Gaalen 5331 4450**

**Service Time: 6.00p.m. Friday 4<sup>th</sup>. March.**