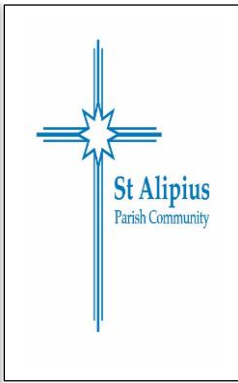


*Welcome to
St. Alipius Parish*
Ballarat East & Buninyong



Our parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults. St Alipius' Parish acknowledges the traditional owners and custodians of this land and we pay our respect to Elders past, present and emeraina.


St Alipius' Parish Church
82 Victoria St, Ballarat East 3350


SS Peter & Paul's Church
701 Fiske St. Buninyong 3357

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 30th MAY 2021

Covid Changes
Due to the recent announcement of a 7 day lockdown all mass times have been cancelled. We hope that we will be able to open the doors next weekend for the community to come and celebrate together once more.
THIS WEEKENDS MASS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM SATURDAY EVENING ON SAPLITURGY.NET.AU

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Child Safety Officer: Bronwyn Ballesty
Finance Officer: Kerrie McTigue
Finance Com. Chair: Paul Jans
Liturgy Coordinator: David Santamaria
Funeral Ministry: Carmel Flynn, Kathy Curran

Are you needing support?
 Any person that is needing support throughout this lockdown please reach out and ask for help.
 Below are some contact numbers for you;
Anglicare 5330 0600
St Vincent de Paul 5334 2844
Salvation Army 5339 3173
Lifeline 131114
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In our prayers we remember.....
Recent Deaths: Kevin Shannon, Avelino Escano, Federico Ruiz
Anniversaries: Mary Dowling, George Pearse
Unwell: We pray for Mary Hall, Doug Knez, Patricia Wood, Agnes Peters, Waffa Ghali, Brian (Jack) Patton, Ray, Kateri Byrnes, Ann Coswello, Pat Hogan, Heather Healy, Peter Martin, Margie Wilmott, John Beattie, Letitia Simmons, Anthony Holdsworth and all who are unwell.


Upcoming Dates in the parish community

June

2 nd	RCIA Team Meeting	6.00pm	Postponed
4 th	Caring Group Gathering Cheese & Wine Night	2.00pm	St Alipius Hall Buninyong
6 th	Youth Mass	5.30pm	St Alipius Church
9 th	RCIA Inquirers meeting	6.30pm	St Alipius Hall



Congratulations to our Newly Confirmed Children

We congratulate the children who have been confirmed in the parish over the last week.

Currently we have confirmed 320 children.

We ask the parish community to include these children in their thoughts and prayers.



St Alipius & Ss Peter and Paul Parish RCIA

The first gathering for those interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith was held recently with eight enthusiastic and spirit-filled Inquirers meeting with the RCIA team.

Please continue to hold these people in your prayers as they discern their journey towards being official members of our church family.

For information regarding RCIA please make contact with the Parish office.

St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

We invite you to be part of our annual Winter Appeal.

This year's Appeal targets one of the most basic of human rights – the right to have a home. We focus on the impact of homelessness on families and children, particularly as we recover from the effects of COVID-19.

We are most grateful for the support we receive from our parish as it enables us to continue our support for those in need.

If anyone is interested in joining our group please contact the parish office for further details.

Parishioners can direct donations to our conference by:

- Calling 13 18 12 and confirming the name of the conference over the phone
- Donating online at vinnies.org.au and entering the conference name in the "Comments/Conference Name" section.

- **Using the Envelopes available at the end of the pews.**

Completed envelopes can be placed on the collection plate.

All donations are used in the Ballarat area. Donations of over \$2.00 are tax deductible, receipts will be issued

Planned Giving

Due to the capped numbers for Mass, should you wish to continue your Planned Giving or contribution to the First Collection, please place your offering in an envelope into the mailbox near the front door of the Presbytery. Any queries regarding Planned Giving, please phone our Finance Officer Kerrie McTigue, on 53 312 933 or via email:

ballaratoffice@ballarat.catholic.org.au

We thank you for your continued Support

St Alipius Parish collections last weekend:

Presbytery \$1230.00

Direct Debit \$ 330.00

Loose \$ 300.00

Envelopes \$ 694.20

C'Card \$2310.00



Community News

If you would like to share any anniversary, birthday or other milestone with the parish please let us know. We would love to celebrate this with you

YOUTH GROUP NEWS **Bonfire Liturgy & Karaoke**

The Youth of our Parish have sadly had to postpone their Bonfire Liturgy. We pray in support of our youth that they may be able to come together soon to nurture their faith and build their community.



Piety Stall

The Piety Stall is open after mass each week. It sell a wide variety of religious items. New stock of Confirmation Cards has just arrived.

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Virtual Learning Program

Our partner, Dayton University, offers low-cost online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parish and other ministries. Study subjects over 3 and 5 week cycles. Study Cycle 5 begins 4 July. Registrations are now open for new and returning participants. For more information go to: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or email: djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7121.

National Reconciliation Week: May 27 - June 3, 2021

The 2021 National Reconciliation Week theme, *More than a word. Reconciliation takes action*, urges the reconciliation movement towards braver and more impactful action. The Reconciliation movement is at a tipping point: In the past year, with Black Lives Matter protests and huge numbers at Invasion Day rallies across the country, we're seeing people are understanding the truth and speaking up on issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. *More than a word. Reconciliation takes action* asks people to take this awareness and knowledge, and use it as springboard to more substantive, brave action. Resources and further information is available from <https://nrw.reconciliation.org.au/2021/03/23/more-than-a-word-reconciliation-takes-action/>

Praying with Pope Francis



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer.

These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network. This video, published to Facebook and YouTube, includes a personal message from the Pope as he asks us to pray for each monthly intention. You can find it at www.thepopevideo.org. Pope's intention for May:

May universal intention for evangelisation – The world of finance: Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Reflection on the Gospel-Trinity Sunday Year B

(Matt 28:16-20)

-Veronica Lawson RSM

Trinity Sunday celebrates the core Christian conviction that God is a communion of relational love. For the people of Israel, no other god could compare with their God whom they knew as both creator and liberator and whom they experienced as intimately involved in every aspect of their history and of their day-to-day lives. In a world of many gods, the assertion found in today's first reading from Deuteronomy that there is "no other god" was an enormous claim to make. God's sustaining and liberating presence brought with it serious responsibilities: keeping God's commandments grounded the people of Israel and their descendants in the life of their God.

The earliest Christians inherited the Jewish belief in one God. At the same time, Christians expressed their faith in distinctively Trinitarian language. Over the first six centuries of the Christian era, the belief that God is a communion of love was to develop into the doctrine of the Trinity, a teaching that is at the heart of Christian faith. The word Trinity is not used in the Christian Scriptures. In fact, it was not until the Council of Constantinople in 381CE that the doctrine of the Trinity was set out in the creed, and not until the Second Council of Constantinople in 551CE that the word "Trinity" was actually used of the Triune God.

Today's gospel reading brings Matthew's gospel to a close. Jesus commands his disciples to make disciples of all peoples and to baptize in the name of the Trinity. At the beginning of this gospel, Jesus is named Emmanuel, "God with us". With Jesus' final assurance, "know that I am with you always", we find ourselves gathered into the very life of God. *Perichoresis*, a Greek term suggestive of a cyclical movement or of figures interweaving, is one of the earliest and probably one of the most striking images or metaphors used to explain the Trinity. The life that is in God is understood, in this image, as a totally harmonious movement of equals. The wonder is that we are gathered into this movement. As St. Paul reminds us in today's reading from his letter to the community in Rome, God is not a distant God, but rather a God whose Spirit draws us, as "joint heirs with Christ", into God's own life of love and relationship. Trinity Sunday is the day we set aside to celebrate the mystery of God and the nearness of God who invites us into the dynamic cycle of life and love, a cycle that reaches out beyond the human community and embraces the entire cosmos. As we make the sign of the cross, a symbolic action with a two millennia history (from 2nd Century CE), we might become more and more attentive to the wonder of the divine life that dwells in us and in whom we are privileged to dwell.

The Most Holy Trinity

First: *Duet4:32-34*

Second *Rom 8:14-17* **Gospel:** *Mt 28:16-20*

The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST

First: *Ex 24:3-8*

Second *Heb 9:11-15* **Gospel:** *Mk 14:12-16, 22-26*

