



#### **Syrian Ration Challenge:**

From June 19-25 Rose Rowe, Gabriel Tonks and Teresa Tonks will be taking part in the Refugee Ration Challenge. They will be provided with the same ration pack provided to refugees in Jordan and will be asked to survive on these rations for the week. Sound challenging? Here's what they've got to survive on.

- Rice 1920g
- Flour 400g
- Lentils 170g
- Dried chick peas 85g
- Tinned sardines 125g
- Tinned kidney beans 400g
- Vegetable Oil 300ml

See more at: <https://actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/the-challenge-explained/whats-in-the-kit#sthash.lj5F6EDG.dpuf>

If you would like to support them go to the following links:

[actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/fundraisers/teresaduffy](http://actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/fundraisers/teresaduffy) or

[actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/fundraisers/gabrieltonks](http://actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/fundraisers/gabrieltonks) or

[actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/fundraisers/roserowe](http://actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/fundraisers/roserowe)

Good luck to all of them!

#### **Friendly Reminder**

If you are going in to the Presbytery for any reason when the office is unattended, please could you make sure all the lights are switched OFF. With Fr. Andrew being away and Fr. Peter Wood only in residence during the weekend—the lights may not be attended to until Tuesday by Joyce. Many thanks!

#### **CAPSA Social Justice: “Standing in Solidarity – National Day of Prayer & Action”**

The Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum (CAPSA) is an advocacy project of Jesuit Social Services to change hearts and minds in the Catholic community towards a more just and compassionate welcome of people seeking protection. It aims to work with schools, parishes, Catholic organisations, health providers, etc., to build capacity for advocacy and collaboration on this issue. This September 4-10, CAPSA is encouraging schools across the country to take part in a National Day of Prayer and Action to stand in solidarity with the many thousands of people facing the harsh conditions of Australia's immigration policies. More information attached.

#### **Heating Strategy!**

The heaters in the Church will be turned on every Friday Morning and need to be switched off after Mass on Sunday Morning. The parish office will look after Friday mornings but we would like to ask some parishioners to make sure they are switched off on Sunday after the 10.30am Mass. We shall also aim to turn on the fans in the Choir Loft so that the warm air circulates.

**Lifeline:** 131114 **Ararat Police:** 5355 1500 **Sexual Assault Crisis line:** 1800 806 292

**Counselling service: Relationships Australia** – 1800 052 674 **Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Towards Healing** – 1800 099 340



## Sunday, 19 Jun 2016: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

As we celebrate, we acknowledge the Indigenous owners of the land on which The Church of The Immaculate Conception is built, the Tjapwurong people, and we respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

**First Reading** [Zec 12:10-11; 13:1](#)

**Responsorial Psalm** [Ps 62:2-6. 8-9. R. v.2](#)

**(R.)** My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
like a dry, weary land without water. **(R.)**
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
to see your strength and your glory.  
For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise. **(R.)**
3. So I will bless you all my life,  
in your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **(R.)**
4. For you have been my help;  
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.  
My soul clings to you;  
your right hand holds me fast. **(R.)**

**Second Reading** [Gal 3:26-29](#)

**Gospel Acclamation** [Jn 10:27](#)

Alleluia, alleluia!  
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;  
I know them, and they follow me.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel** [Lk 9:18-24](#)

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**18th/19th June 2016**

#### **RECENT DEATHS:**

#### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Hugh Nailon, Valda Jerram, Patrick Brennan, Lionel Egan, Dulce Makepeace, Fr. Austin Brennan, Beryl Nailor, Carmela Busuttill, Trish Cuthbert, John Keogh, Catherine Keogh, Edward Cleary, Patricia Grano, John Rieniets, Pat Kelly, Norman Turnbull, Irene Karlake, Fr Michael Fallon, Jean Keogh, Corrine Keogh, Fr Michael Doyle, Fr Don Dunne, John Murphy, Ern Trotter, Colin O'Toole, Bob Rutter, Kit Morris, Nicholas Kalomiris, Dennis Keogh, Richard O'Neill, Tony Niccolaci, Alan McLoughlin, Peter Hinchey, Mons. John Day, Norman Gow, Fr Maurie Dullard S.J, Aileen McIntyre

#### **SICK:**

Wendy Shea, Frank Dempsey, Maurice Rutter, Shirley Billet, Kerrie Mulcahy, Natasha Martens.

#### **Please Pray for the Intentions of:**

Libby Shea

#### **Baptisms: Welcome to the World!**

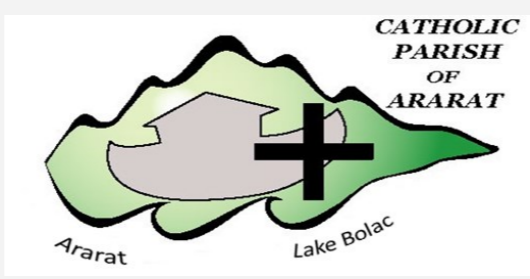
#### **Prayer of Pope Francis for the Year of Mercy**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father,  
and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.  
Show us your face and we will be saved.  
Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing,  
so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord,  
and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor,  
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,  
and restore sight to the blind. Amen

**CHURCHES -** Immaculate Conception, Ararat  
St. Bernard's, Lake Bolac

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Tues/Wed/Fri 9am—2pm

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

	<u>Ararat</u>	<u>Lake Bolac</u>
Saturday	6.00pm	
Sunday	10.30am	8.30am
2nd Sunday of Every Month		8.30am Lay Assembly

**Fr Andrew's Holidays**

Fr Andrew will be away from the parish from Friday June 17 until Saturday July 22. While he is away Fr Peter Wood will be in the parish from Friday night until Sunday lunch each week. He will be available for funerals when necessary. All contacts will still be made through the parish office in the usual manner.

**Statue of Lady**

Our Statue of Our Lady (in a small green case) has been misplaced. Could anyone who knows of its whereabouts please contact Libby Shea (53523171) Thank You!

**Calling some Varnishing Volunteers**

Is there anyone with a couple of hours spare time to varnish the Presbytery outdoor furniture setting over the next few weeks? If so please call the Parish Office and leave a message/number. Many thanks.

**A VOCATION VIEW**

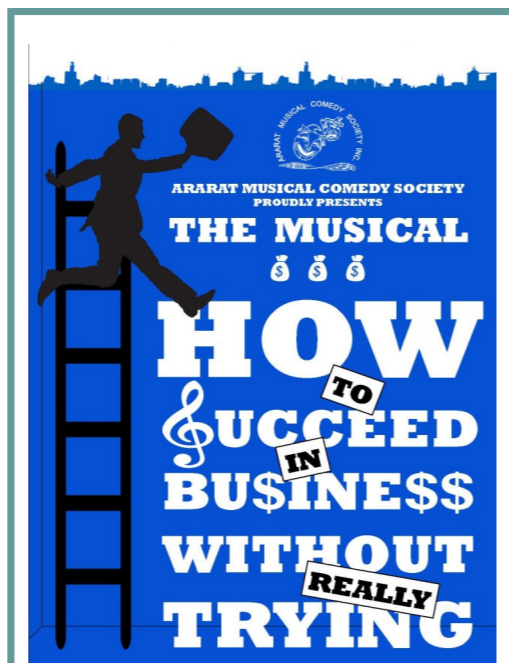
"The harvest is rich, but the labourers are few; therefore, ask the harvest-master to send workers to the harvest. Pray for Vocations"

"Things have a price and can be for sale, but people have a dignity that is priceless and worth far more than things"  
Read more at more at **-Pope Francis @Pontifex 2016**

**St. Mary's Parish**

304a Barkly St. or PO Box 92  
Ararat, 3377 Ararat, 3377

**PARISH PRIEST:** Fr Andrew Hayes  
**PRINCIPAL ST. MARY'S SCHOOL:** Mr Tom Hogan  
**PRINCIPAL MARIAN COLLEGE:** Mrs Carmel Barker  
**PARISH SECRETARY:** Ms Joyce Clery



**2016 DATES:**

8pm Saturday, June 18th  
1:30pm Sunday, June 19th  
8pm Friday, June 24th  
8pm Saturday, June 25th  
1:30pm Sunday, June 26th  
**Ararat Performing Arts Centre**  
(Starring our very own Parish Secretary—AS a Secretary!)

**Bookings: www.stagecenta.com**  
**Stagecenta Hotline (02) 6253 1454**  
**or in person at the Ararat Performing Arts Centre**

**Church Toilets**

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
Sat Jun 18th	?	Kevin Joyce	H&A Collins & M. Mason	N/A	D. Dijon & Sr Maree	A&V Joyce	Geoff White	B. Perovich & Marilyn Brady	?
Sun Jun 19th	?	Charlie Reid	M. Cunningham, C. Reid & Sr. J. Spurr	Margaret Olle	L&D Anderson	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Jun 25th	C. Brennan	Rachel Cooper	?	N/A	Marg Joyce & M. Ryan	The Reynolds Family & C. Brennan	C. Brennan & V. Hooper	?	?
Sun Jun 26th	Pat Lardner	Kathy Leggett	P. Brady, Sr. Maree & J. Start	?	Kathy Leggett & S. Pickering	(as above)	V. Hooper	(as above)	(as above)

**LAKE BOLAC—MASS**

**This Week**  
**READER:** M-A Otto  
**PRAYERS:** R. Liston  
**EUCCHARISTIC**  
**MINISTER:** R. Smith  
**CLEANING:** R. Liston

**LAKE BOLAC—MASS**

**Next Week**  
**READER:** V. Albert  
**PRAYERS:** R. Phillips  
**EUCCHARISTIC :** L. Breen  
**MINISTER:** J. Upton

**MEETINGS & EVENTS**

**Planned Giving Envelopes & PG Bingo**

Numbers 20 and 149 have been snapped up so get in quick if your favourite number is below! Time has flown and the next lot of Planned Giving Envelopes are in the Church Foyer ready for collection. Let Joyce know in the office if you would like a receipt. As the envelopes are quite heavy, it is just too expensive to post them out so if you could collect them—that would be great. Many thanks! We have the following envelopes without a Planned Giver so if your favourite number is below and you'd like to pick one and go on the program—see Joyce in the office! 35, 55, 78, 85, 121, 137, 139, 146, 147, 150.

**Liturgy Formation 2016 / Launch of Let the Children Come**

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission will be presenting Liturgy Formation sessions in the diocese in 2016 on *Funeral Ministry, Formation for Lectors* and the launch of the sacramental program, "Let the Children Come" - July 24 at Birchip Parish, August 7 at Ararat Parish and August 21 at Hamilton Parish. As this day includes the launch of "Let the Children Come", all parishioners are strongly encouraged to attend and especially all readers. More information is available from the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au). Registration form on foyer



**WINTER APPEAL 2016**

We are asking for your unwavering support once again for the St. Vincent de Paul Society's Winter Appeal. It is hoped that parishioners will donate food, blankets, clothing and/or a cash donation. Special envelopes are in a marked basket in the Church foyer. You can then pop your envelope into the Church collection baskets and the Church office will pass them on to Vinnies in Barkly St or you can pop the envelope into the Vinnies shop itself. **All** funds raised in Ararat **STAY** local. Last year the Victorian V de P Conferences provided over \$10 million in assistance to people in need.

**The St. Vincent de Paul Society** meet on the **first** Tuesday of every month at the Centre, 264 Barkly St, Ararat at 7pm