

Ararat and Lake Bolac CHURCH ROSTER

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
Sat Mar 16th	J. McAloon	B. Rodger	A. Reynolds, & C. McAdie		Geoff White & Tom Kidd	E. Coburn & J. Jackson	Geoff White & Tom Kidd	M. Egan	J. Clery
Sun Mar 17th	J. Clery	P. Lardner	C. Bulger, & K. Chamings	D&M Lister	S. Pickering	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Mar 23rd	I. Brady	G. White	T. Gemmola & M. Howard		R&M Jeram & Tom Kidd	P. Lardner, & P. Brennan	C. Brennan & V. Hooper	M. Dempsey & M. Jerram	P. Weeks
Sun Mar 24th	J. Start	K. Leggett	M. Cunningham, & H&A Collins	H&A Collins		(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
Lake Bolac Sun Mar 17th	<u>Reader</u> D. Phillips	<u>Prayers</u> V. Albert	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u> I. Meek	<u>Cleaner</u> M.A. Otto	<u>Lake Bolac Sun Mar 24th</u>	<u>Reader</u> I. Meek	<u>Prayers</u> T. Higgins	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u> IM. Phillips	<u>Cleaner</u> T. Higgins

Saint of the Week St. Toribio Alfonso de Mogrovejo Feastday: March 23 Patron of Native rights; Latin American bishops; Peru Birth: 1538 Death: 1606 Bishop and defender of the rights of the native Indians in Peru, Born in Mayorga, Spain, he studied law and became a lawyer and then professor at Salamanca, receiving appointment-despite being a layman-as chief judge of the court of Inquisition at Granada under King Philip II of Spain. The king subsequently appointed him in 1580 to the post of archbishop of Lima, Peru. After receiving ordination and then consecration, he arrived in Peru in 1581 and soon demonstrated a deep zeal to reform the archdiocese and a determination to do all in his power to aid the poor and defend the rights of the Indians who were then suffering severely under Spanish occupation. He founded schools, churches, hospitals, and the first seminary in the New World. **Read more www.catholic.org.com**

Child Safe Church

Here at the Church of the Immaculate Conception & St. Bernard's, we follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we also implement procedures and standards as directed by the Ballarat Diocesan Office.

Our Safe Guarding Officer is Emma Coburn and you can download our Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy from the Parish website or on the foyer notice board. If you have any concerns whatsoever—please contact the Parish Office, Fr. Andrew or the Safe Guarding Officer on ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Lifeline: 131114 **Ararat Police:** 5355 1500

Counselling service: Relationships Australia – 1800 052 674

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Towards Healing – 1800 099 340

Sexual Assault Crisis line: 1800 806 292

Church Toilets All children—Primary school age and under— must be accompanied by an adult. Thank you for your understanding.



Sunday, 17 Mar 2019
Second Sunday of Lent - Year C



As we celebrate, we acknowledge the Indigenous owners of the land on which our Churches are built, the Tjapwurong people, and we respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

First Reading Gen 15:5-12. 17-18

God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 26:1. 7-9. 13-14. R. v.1

(R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life
before whom shall I shrink? (R.)

2. O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.

Of you my heart has spoken:

'Seek his face.' (R.)

3. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek,
hide not your face.

Dismiss not your servant in anger;
you have been my help. (R.)

4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.

Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.

Hope in the Lord! (R.)

Second Reading Phil 3:17 – 4:1

Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 17:5

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Lk 9:28-36

As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed, and his clothing became brilliant as lightning.

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16th/17th March 2019

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Darrell Maddern, Joe Rees, Fr John Harrington, Jean Jones, Beverley Ford, Ivan Evans, Clifford Horsman, Bert Stephens, Ann Stephens, Fr Robert Paterson SJ, Dawn Wilson, Bob Mottram, Aminda (Min) Hamilton, Dorothy O'Brien, John Leggett, John Thomas, Tom Carter, Sr. Joyce White RSJ, Lily Rose McConnell, Dave Dampsey, Fr John Henehan, Fr Bill O'Driscoll, Bea Kelly, Elizabeth Hustler, Benita Una Pieters, John Colwell, Barry Smith, Phillip Brown, Cliff Murray

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Maurice Rutter, Naomi Phillips, Mark Eastick, Sr. Geraldine Stapleton, Carmel Brennan

Please pray for the intentions of:

Michael Doyle, Mary Cunningham, Mary Howard, Libby Shea

Lenten Prayer

God of all peoples and nations, you accompany us on our Lenten journey.

May we learn to walk your way of justice and compassion with all your people.

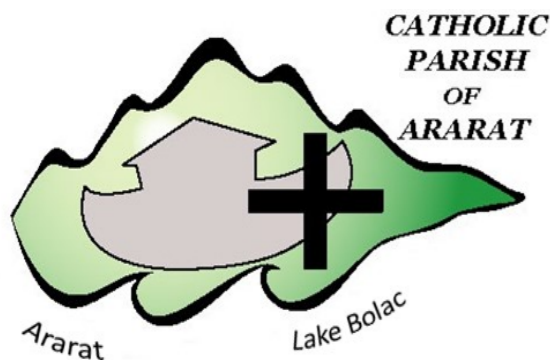
We keep in mind all the people around the world who are most vulnerable to poverty and injustice.

In this Year of Youth, may we support young people as they recognise that through their efforts, and generosity that they are participating in the building of a better world.

Bless our prayers, our fasting and our Lenten gifts to Project Compassion.

May our hearts be open to receive your grace as we work towards a just future for all your creation.

Amen.



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Peter Gemmola

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Jan Crowe (President) & Anna Collins (Secretary)

St. Vincent de Paul Society:
Vinnies Shop/Centre 03 5352 5560
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Parish Centre

Our Parish Centre is used for various activities—from Graduate Teacher Professional Development Days, Family Celebrations, Formal Meetings to a gathering place after a funeral.

It is a space that can accommodate up to 100 people comfortably and has an industrial kitchen. If you would like more information —please contact the office (Joyce) on 03 5352 5460

MASS TIMES

Ararat (Immaculate Conception)

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 10.30am

Lake Bolac (St. Bernard's)

8.30am 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays

2nd Sundays at Glenhompson at 8.30am

Masses This Week in Ararat

Tues 19th 9.30am Church

Wed 20th 11am Lowe St

Thurs 21st 9.30 Church / 3.30 Hopkins

Friday 22nd 9.30 Church

A VOCATION VIEW

After the transfiguration, Peter, John and James wanted to stay up the mountain. But Jesus said, "Move," with the knowledge that ships are safe in harbours, but not meant to stay in harbours.

Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2019

I ask everyone to remember in prayer both myself and my collaborators in the Roman Curia, who this evening will be beginning the week of Spiritual Exercises.

Planned Giving Envelopes

PG envelopes are now in the foyer. If your envelopes are not there, please see Joyce in the office or email. Many thanks for your continued support. The upkeep of the church relies on the generous support of parishioners. Fixing the bell tower is on the top of the list!

Saturday March 23rd

SAVE THE DATE! St. Mary's Primary School Fundraiser Live Music 7pm to midnight at Marian College—Please refer to flyer on the notice

Next Week's Readings: Mar 24th 2018

First Reading Ex 3:1-8, 13-15

Second Reading 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12

Justice Matters

"Ten Steps to Making a Home for Everyone in Our Land"

6. TAKE ACTION TO SUPPORT HOUSING INITIATIVES AND PROGRAMS. In Australia there are many organisations working to help people who experience marginalisation and homelessness. In particular, Catholics can be proud of the work of diocesan social services, charities like Vinnies and initiatives by religious orders that reach out to people who are homeless. Social Justice Statement 2018–2019, p. 15 Commit to helping those in need in the local community through the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society, Catholic Care and other charities and services. With others in your parish, consider if there are resources or properties that could house a family or individual in need. Consider housing development models that aim to end homelessness like those of the Australian Catholic Housing Alliance: www.catholichousing.org.au

PROJECT COMPASSION

Week 2 of Lent: Sunday 17th March Indonesian Story



Tati is a Dayak woman, living in the remote forest of West Kalimantan, Indonesia. Like all Dayak people whose values and culture are deeply linked to the rainforest, Tati's family has relied on it for sustenance for generations. Her community is committed to protecting its rainforest for the future and is working with Caritas Australia and local authorities to develop alternative sustainable livelihoods. This enables the community to develop a strong financial base and take the lead in managing land, as well as making decisions on how that land is used.



Lenten Gospel Discussions Continuing

Wednesday 6pm & Thursday after the 9.30am Mass

Lent Resources

Lent resources are available from the diocesan website. Click on the "Liturgy Resource" tab on front page www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Islamic Multicultural Day Celebration

23rd March 2019 Saturday 5 – 8 pm Ararat Town Hall. 5:30 pm & Dinner served 7 pm. Fr Andrew is a guest speaker. ALL Welcome RSVP: aiwa.vic@gmail.com by 17th March 2019

Child Safety and the Church

The parish is preparing for what we hope is a very helpful couple of sessions with our children regarding their safety when they are involved with St Mary's Parish. More information coming. In the meantime there is a useful video featuring Geraldine Doogue and Robert Fitzgerald on youtube. Search for "What does a child safe parish look like?" Duration 2:26

Buy Chocolates made without Slavery this Easter.

Thinking of buying Easter eggs? Use your money justly – please. There is now a wide range of slavery-free chocolate and Easter eggs available, including a budget priced range of UTZ certified products in ALDI, Coles and a wide selection at Haight's and OXFAM shops. Chocolatier also produces Fair Trade Easter chocolate. Check the labels on the wrappers. For more information go to www.acrath.org.au/take-action/slavery-free-easter



Visit of Sam Clear – Thursday March 21, 2019, 6.30pm

Sam Clear, athlete, adventurer, author, documentary producer, missionary. Sam walked 15,600kms around the world to promote Christian Unity. He will share his experiences with us. Hosted by Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry. All welcome.

Developing Parents' Digital Literacy and Tackling Cyberbullying

Damascus College presents this free community workshop discussing the strengths and challenges of navigating the online world as a young person. In-depth knowledge will be shared on major social media platforms and the issue of cyberbullying, while also providing a range of hot topics and strategies that parents, guardians and carers can use to support young people online. This session allows for an open Q&A at the end. Wednesday, May 1, 2019 from 7.00pm – 8.30pm at the John Shannon Centre. Book at www.damascus.vic.edu.au. Flyer on notice board