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Hire costs start @ \$50 per day (includes Nespresso Coffee!!)



### Planned Giving Program

Please collect your envelopes from the foyer table. You will receive envelopes dated to the end of February. We would be most grateful if you could take the time to read the enclosed letter. We have many changes ahead of us—new roads to travel! As always, many thanks for your continued support.

### Stay local, buy local, and be local!

You can pledge as little as \$3 per week to go on the Planned Giving Program. Please consider giving to the Church to help with the up-keep of the building.



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### FixIt IT Solutions

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### Plenary Council Final Report of the Listening and Dialogue stage

The National Centre for Pastoral Research has just published *Listen to what the Spirit is saying*, the final report of the Listening and Dialogue stage of the Plenary Council. The report captures the voices of the more than 222,000 people who shared their submissions, questions and stories of faith during the 10-month process. Access the report at [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports)

### Catholic Women's League Social Afternoon

"God never sleeps" - come along to a spring afternoon tea and hear John and Margaret Millington OAM inspire you with their life story of faith which has enabled them to transform family tragedies into work for the community. Free entry, door prizes and afternoon tea. Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 1.30pm in the Mary Glowrey Room St Patrick's Cathedral Precinct, Ballarat. Enquiries to Carmel, ph. 0401175045 or email [annekav1234@gmail.com](mailto:annekav1234@gmail.com)

Sunday 18 Aug 2019

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

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



### First Reading Jer 38:4-6. 8-10

You bore me to be a man of strife for the whole world.

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 39:2-4. 18. R. v.14

(R.) Lord, come to my aid!

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. (R.)
2. He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock and made my footsteps firm. (R.)
3. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the Lord. (R.)
4. As for me, wretched and poor, the Lord thinks of me. You are my rescuer, my help, O God, do not delay! (R.)

### Second Reading Heb 12:1-4

Let us bear patiently the struggle placed upon us.

### 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 12:49-53

I have come not to give peace, but discord.

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17th/18th August 2019

### BAPTISMS

We welcome Arthur (son of Catherine & Lachlan) and Harrison (son of Samantha & David) into our Catholic Community!



### RECENT DEATHS:

Sr Ursula Caine (St. Arnaud)

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Jeanette Ryan, Fr Rodger Shepherd, Barbara Caporn, May Harrington, Kevin Moore, Michele Di Domenico, John Harvey, Mary Colwell, Sergio Tognon, Mary Hickey, Diana Cashin, Frank McAloon, Leila Petersen, Ethel Lannen, Kevin Brady, Peter Coughlin, Maria Sobczak, Michael Bond, Ray DeGroot, Stan Gleeson

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Anyone in hospital wishing to have communion, please contact the office on 53525460

### Communion Delivery Ministers:

Mary Cunningham—Retirement Home  
E. Shea, T. Gemmola, D&M Lister, H&A Collins, J&J Crowe—Golden Gate  
Sr. John—Lowe Street

### Parish Prayer

Loving God, Good Shepherd of us all, gather us and form us into a welcoming Parish family. Touch our hearts with your love so that we, in turn, may reach out in love to one another, in a neighbourly community. We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

### Next Week's Readings:

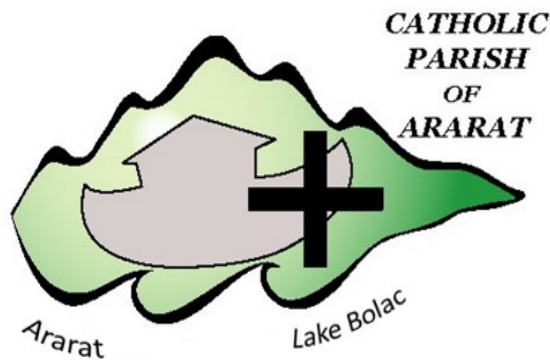
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### First Reading

Is 66:18-21

### Second Reading

Heb 12:5-7, 11-13



**Parish Priest:** Fr. Andrew Hayes

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**Assistant Priest:** Fr So'n Nguyen CSsR (0478 943 665)

Download Church Bulletin—www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

**Parish Secretary:** Joyce Clery  
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**Parish Office:** 03 53525460  
PO BOX 92, Ararat, VIC 3377

**Office Hours:** Wed/Thurs/Fri 10am-3pm  
(Closed Public Holidays)

### Child Safe Churches

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](mailto: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.



### 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

**Wed 21st** 10am Mass Garden View

11am Prayer Lowe St

**Thurs 22nd** 9.30am Convent

3.30pm Hopkins

**Fri 23rd** 9.30am Convent

### A VOCATION VIEW

Jesus wants his followers to light a fire on the earth. His followers, as His fire, are bright, blazing, consuming, enlightening and warm.

### Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2019

“Let us ask for the grace to remember each day that we are not forgotten by God, and that we are His beloved children, unique and irreplaceable. Calling this to mind gives us the strength not to surrender before the adversities of life.”

### Saint of the Week St. Philip Benizi

**Feastday:** August 23 **Patron** of The Minor Basilica in Monte Senario (Fiesole) in the Diocese of Florence, Tuscany, Italy; Zamboanga del Norte, Philippines  
Birth: 1233 Death: 1285

Servite **cardinal** and preacher. Born in Florence, Italy, to a noble family, he was educated in **Paris** and **Padua** where he earned a doctorate in medicine and philosophy. He practiced medicine for some time, but in 1253 he joined the Servite Order in Florence. He served as a lay brother until 1259, when his superiors directed him to be ordained. Philip soon became known as one of the foremost preachers of his era, becoming master of novices at **Siena** in 1262 and then **superior** of several friaries and **prior** general of the Servites against his own wishes. in 1267. Read more [www.catholic.org.com](http://www.catholic.org.com)

**E-News** Go to [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) (check out the video from Bishop Bird and his visit to the Pope)

### From Fr. Andrew's desk:

### Tap & Go

You will notice a Tap & Go donation point in the foyer. This is separate to the Planned Giving Program. This is an opportunity for anyone visiting the church to make a donation to help with the upkeep of the parish and support of the priests. However, anyone can use the machine as carrying cash nowadays is from a bygone era!

### Live Your Christian Life

*A Sacrament program developed by Fr. Andrew of the Ararat Parish*

To register your child for the program – please book for one of the following times:

**Date:** Wednesday August 28th

**Time:** 3.30pm or 5.30pm

**Where:** Parish Centre (behind the Church)

**Phone:** 03 5352 5460

**Mail:** [ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au) (Joyce)

### Our Lady's Statue

There is a reward for anyone who can locate the small Statue of Our Lady—it's in a small green case. Please come to the office if you find the statue and claim your reward—a bottle of wonderful wine!

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
<b>Sat Aug 17th</b>	B. Rodger	A. Reynolds	?		T. Kidd	Office	T. Kidd & G. White	Mary Cunningham	J. Clery
<b>Sun Aug 18th</b>	?	P. Lardner	K. Chamings, Sr. John	T. Gemmo-la	E. Shea	As above	J. Crowe	As above	As above
<b>Sat Aug 24th</b>	G. White	Beck Rodger	M. Mason & C. McAdie		R&M Jerram & Tom Kidd	E. Coburn & J. Jackson	Geoff White & Carmel Brennan	A. Joyce	
<b>Sun Aug 25th</b>	?	P. Lardner	N. Billingsley, Sr John	J&J Crowe	S. Pickering	As above	John Pola & V. Hooper	(as above)	(as above)
<b>Lake Bolac Sun Aug 18th</b>	<b>Reader</b> T. Higgins	<b>Prayers</b> J. Aldous	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> Jane Higgins	<b>Cleaner</b> J. Aldous	<b>Lake Bolac Sun Aug 25th</b>	<b>Reader</b> Jane Higgins	<b>Prayers</b> M-A Otto	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> John Higgins	<b>Cleaner</b> J. Upton & K. Gleeson