

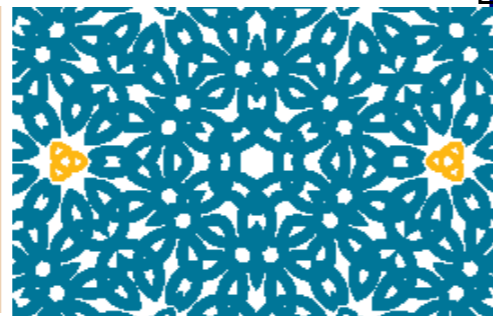
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Diary Dates for our Parish

Ring the office – 03 5352 5460 - if you have any news or dates that our community would be interested in. It could be a local fundraiser, an up-coming show, letting the parish know if you are available to take someone to an appointment – the list is endless!! Anyone for BINGO?

Paul Ganley

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Knox Public Lecture

"The Voices of Plenary Council" by Dr Trudy Dantis. Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 7.30pm at the Catholic Leadership Centre, hosted by CTC. Flyer attached.

Mums 4 Refugees

Mums 4 Refugees (M4R) is a network of women working with and for people seeking asylum. We wish to work towards an Australia that is fair, just and inclusive and which treats asylum seekers and refugees with dignity and compassion. Message us to get involved email mums4refugees@gmail.com, facebook Mums 4 Refugees, website www.mums4refugees.org

Catholic Man Breakfast Series

Men of all ages are invited to a Catholic Man Breakfast to be held on Thursday, August 29, 2019 at 7.00am at Craig's Royal Hotel in Ballarat. The breakfast will be hosted by Bishop Paul Bird CSsR and will feature Hawthorn premiership champion Steve Lawrence as guest speaker. Steve was Director of World Youth Day Sydney 2008 which saw 500,000 young people attend, Director of Faith and Mission at Mazonod College in Mulgrave, founded the Altum Leadership Group and is married to Annie with six children. The breakfast promises to be entertaining and spiritually uplifting. RSVP by Friday, August 23. Further information is available from Chris Liston, ph. 0437 318 251, email chris.listo2@gmail.com or Vincent Sully, ph. 0407 310 115, email vcjdh.sully@gmail.com. Flyer on the notice board.

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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.



Sunday, 28th July 2019: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year 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.

27th/28th July 2019

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Christopher Hogan, Nora Hogan, Alice Greenwood, Vincenzo Pinzone, Myrtle Casey, Susan Aisbett, Kathleen Frances Hewitt, Keith McOwan, Dr Dan Meagher, Bill Kenyon, Les Clark, Barbara Brossner, Denise Hourigan, Aileen Falvey, Sr Josephus Lannen, Peter Henderson, James Stapleton, Veronica Butler, Bp Francis Thomas, Beverley Austin, Arthur Mark, Leila Spiller, Gina Galea, Irene Hunter, Ada Maconachie, Robert McKibbin

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Please pray for the intentions of :

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

First Reading Gen 18:20-32

Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3

(R.) Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **(R.)**
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. **(R.)**
4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **(R.)**

Second Reading Col 2:12-14

He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins.

Gospel Acclamation Rom 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!
You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 11:1-13

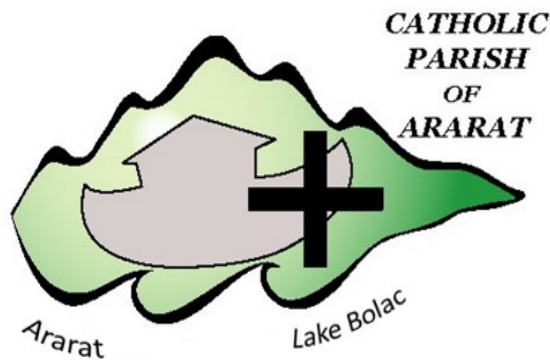
Ask, and it will be given to you.

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:

Aug 4th 2019
First Reading
Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23
Second Reading
Col 3:1-5, 9-11



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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

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

Tues 30th 9.30am Convent

Wed 31st 9.30am School (St. Mary's)

Thurs 1st 9.30am Convent

Fri 2nd 9.30 am Convent

A VOCATION VIEW

God knows what we want before we ask. God knows who we are before we discern. God invites us to pray: to ask and to discern.

Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2019

Witness is born from the encounter with the living Jesus. [#SaintMaryMagdalene](https://www.pontifex.com/en/saintmarymagdalene), Apostle of Hope, pray for us!

Saint of the Week St. Martha

Feastday: July 29

Patron of cooks "Jesus loved Martha and Mary and Lazarus." This unique statement in John's gospel tells us of the special relationship Jesus had with Martha, her sister, and her brother. Apparently Jesus was a frequent guest at Martha's home in Bethany, a small village two miles from Jerusalem. We read of three visits in Luke 10:38-42, John 11:1-53, and John 12:1-9.

Many of us find it easy to identify with Martha in the story Luke tells. Martha welcomes Jesus and his disciples into her home and immediately goes to work to serve them. [Read more www.catholic.org.com](http://www.catholic.org.com)

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

From Fr. Andrew's desk:

Bishop Shane Mackinlay

Fr Shane Mackinlay, Parish Priest of Bungaree, has been announced as the new Bishop of Sandhurst (Bendigo.) Let us congratulate Bishop Elect Shane and continue to pray for him.

Mosque and Multicultural Centre

The construction of our new Mosque and Multicultural Centre has finally begun! Fr Andrew is VERY excited. Let us continue to pray for our Muslim friends.

Our Diocesan Community Magazine

The next edition of the ODC has arrived and is full of news from the schools and parishes around the diocese.

Altar Cloths

Thank you again to Fr So'n for organising the colourful Altar Cloth from Vietnam.

Ararat and Lake Bolac CHURCH ROSTER

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
Sat Jul 27th	P. Gemmola	A. Reynolds	N. Billingsley		Marg Joyce & Tom Kidd	E. Coburn & J. Jackson	V. Hooper	A. Joyce	Jo Donnan
Sun Jul 28th	J. Clery	Imogen Tonks	M. Cunningham, H&A Collins	H&A Collins	Blessie Stoneman	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Aug 3rd	Harry Collins	Anna Collins	C. McAdie & M. Mason		D&M Lister & Tom Kidd	P. Gemmola & J. Clery	T. Reynolds	M. Stapleton & K. Chamings	K. Scherger
Sun Aug 4th	P. Lardner	C. Bulger	G. O'Loughlin, N. Billingsley & S. Reid	E. Shea	S. Pickering	(as above)	V. Hooper	(as above)	(as above)
Lake Bolac Sun July 28th	Reader D. Phillips	Prayers V. Albert	Eucharistic Minister I. Meek	Cleaner M-A Otto	Lake Bolac Sun Aug 4th	Reader I. Meek	Prayers T. Higgins	Eucharistic Minister M. Phillips	Cleaner T. Higgins