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Ararat QR Code



Location Code A5W FTY

You will need to have downloaded the APP onto your phone. It will not work if you just take a "photo" of the image above. There will be someone to help. But we would urge you to come 10 minutes earlier to Mass if you are unsure of what to do.

Other Important Numbers

Victorian Coronavirus Hotline — 1800 675 398
If you suspect you may have the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) call the dedicated hotline – open 24 hours, seven days.

Older persons COVID-19 Support line —
1800 171 866

Translations for Victorian Government
coronavirus website -
www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/translations

Vinnies Ararat Welfare Phone: 0459 163 461
Vinnies Stawell Welfare phone 0437 344 323

Salvation Army Australia — 13 SALVOS
Stawell Inter Church Council Welfare Cottage
– 0408 038 949

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jdfs@westnet.com.au

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Finances

If you would like to donate to a parish, please see the details below. Many thanks

Details for Ararat Parish:

Parish Account "Main Church Account"
Westpac Bank BSB 033 201 // Acc 810035
Presbytery Account "Presbytery Account"
Westpac Bank BSB 033 201 //Acc 810043

Details for Stawell Parish

Parish Account BSB 013 815 Acc: 286326347
Presbytery Account BSB 013 815 Acc: 286326355



St. Mary's Catholic Parish of Ararat Sunday 30 May 2021

The Most Holy Trinity

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 Dt 4:32-34. 39-40

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?'

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:4-6. 9. 18-20. 22. R. v.12

(R.) Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **(R.)**
2. With his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. **(R.)**
3. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**
4. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

Second Reading Rom 8:14-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

Gospel Acclamation See Rv 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

Gospel Reflection

The Easter season celebrates some of the most important events and beliefs in Christian tradition. In the last seven weeks, we have remembered Jesus' Last Supper with his friends (regarded as the institution or establishment of the Eucharist); Jesus' death on the cross; the discovery of the empty tomb on Easter Sunday; the appearances of the Risen Lord to his disciples; the Ascension into heaven; and finally, the Holy Spirit filling the disciples at Pentecost. They are events that have shaped Christian belief for nearly 2,000 years. They provide the basis of beliefs and teachings such as: Christ present in the Eucharist; the resurrection of Jesus and the hope of resurrection for all people; the divinity of Jesus; and the ongoing action of the Holy Spirit in the world. The period of Easter-Pentecost celebrates these truly momentous events, beliefs and teachings.

Almost to round off this extraordinary focus on Christian beliefs and teachings, the Church this week celebrates the central doctrine of Christian faith: the Trinity. The belief in the Trinity is the belief that there are three 'persons' in the one Godhead: Father; Son; and Holy Spirit. The understanding and articulation of this doctrine occurred over time and was not until well after the writing of the gospels and other New Testament letters. Consequently, there are no specific scriptural passages that identify explicitly the doctrine of the Trinity. This week's gospel passage, the commissioning of the disciples from the Gospel of Matthew is perhaps the closest any New Testament writer comes to an expression of the Trinity when Jesus instructs the disciples to baptise 'in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit'.

MASS TIMES

	<u>Ararat</u>	<u>Stawell</u>	<u>Lake Bolac</u>	<u>Landsborough</u>	<u>Glenthompson</u>
	(Immaculate Conception)	(St. Patrick's)	(St. Bernard's)	(St. Francis)	
Saturday			6.30pm—Sat Vigil	6pm—Sat Vigil	
Sunday (Sun)	8.30am	10.30am	of the 1st, 3rd, 5th Sun	of the 2nd & 4th Sun	8.30am (2nd & 4th)

Masses this Week

Lockdown—please wait for news updates

No Masses

We apologise for any inconvenience

Book your vaccine! **1800 675 398**

40-49 YEAR OLDS CAN NOW GET VACCINATED!

Readings June 6th 2021

First Reading

[Ex 24:3-8](#)

Second Reading

[Heb 9:11-15](#)

AGED CARE SCHEDULE

Eventide

1st Wednesdays 10am

Lowe St

2nd Wednesdays 11am

Garden View

3rd Wednesdays 10.30am

ARV

4th Wednesday 10am

Eathcare Game – small steps to save the planet

EARTHCARE game is a fun way to explore the many ways we can care for the earth, connect with nature and help conserve the planet's resources. Take small steps to save the planet and earn points. Make a mess, waste energy or water and lose points. I CARE cards help you do good things. EARTHCARE is inspired by the game CONSERVATION, invented by R. J. Reynolds in New Zealand in 1976. For more information go to <https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/earthcaregame/1338460967?ref=19yujk&token=d803ad58>

International drawing contest for kids

The earth's climate is changing. Kids need to know what is happening, why, and how it will affect them in the future. This contest offers a chance to take action to help slow climate change – because a tree will be planted for every kid that enters! Adults will also be encouraged to contribute to planting more trees too. The competition runs from May – June 2021 for kids aged 4-14. For more information go to <https://kidscareaboutclimate.org>

THIS COULD BE A GOOD THING TO DO IN LOCKDOWN!!

An invitation to anyone who would like to learn about the Catholic faith or be updated :

Ring Parish Office 535205460

Fr Andrew

7 Day Lockdown

Here we go again! Most parishioners will be receiving this bulletin via email. It can also be found on the parish websites. For now our churches and parishes offices will close until the end of next Thursday, June 3, as per our current Covid restrictions. Masses at Eventide and at Hopkins will not go ahead next week. Stawell's Mass next Friday at 10am will go ahead unless things change. We are able to have funerals for ten people. Things are moving quickly, so we'll see what happens next. The parish phones will continue to be monitored. I implore every parishioner to do what we know to be the right things to get on top of this outbreak, or to limit its transmission in our region. Masks.

Farewell Joyce

Joyce finishes with us this week after six years of transforming our parish in Ararat, especially during the onset of Covid in 2020. We wish Joyce, Eoghan and Rory every blessing for the future.

National Reconciliation Week

This week we can reflect on the challenges put before us by National Reconciliation Week. nrw.reconciliation.org.au is a very helpful website. I was especially taken by the 20 Actions for Reconciliation. Among them are 4) Know your local history 10) Get your facts first-hand 11) Act to protect first nation culture 17) Acknowledging Country. There are many more that we could do personally and as a parish.



Covid India Appeal Fundraising Dinner

The Ballarat Indian Association Inc. is holding a Fundraising Dinner on Saturday, May 29, 2021 at Albert Coates Complex, Federation University, Mount Helen. Go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=759476&> for bookings and information. Donations also accepted to account name: Ballarat Indian Assoc Inc. BSB 033-205 Acct No: 183147

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: May 31st—Jun 6th

Sr. Anne Dunbar, Jack White, Dora Jones, John Studd, Cecily Thomas, Mary Overington, Greg Shea, John Hennessy, Bernard Guinan, Eileen O'Halloran, Margaret Shalders, Concetta Cannata, Lyell Clark, Daniel Millington, Fr. Les Sheahan, John Hearn, Ned Moloney, John Brennan, Peggy Schwab, Sr. Imelda O'Collins, Terry Dutton-Bottoms

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Kate Wilson, Sally Rook, Fr. Hugh Thomas CSsR, Eloise Foo and Benjamin Wolfson, Julie Neale and Margaret Hassall

A VOCATION VIEW

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. When we go out to make disciples of all nations we have a lot to tell. God is Lord in heaven above and on earth below. Having received the Spirit that make's you God's own children, you are called to proclaim "Glory to the Father, to the Son and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was and who is to come." Alleluia!

Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2021

The Holy Spirit is the Gift of God who helps us to be free people, people who want and know how to love, people who understand that life is a mission to proclaim the wonders that the Lord accomplishes in those who trust in him.

St Bernard's Liturgy & Cleaning Roster

No Mass on May 29th due to lockdown

Ararat Notices

Information Technology (IT) Investment in the Parish

We have recently made some significant investment into the WIFI status in the Church, Parish Centre and Presbytery buildings. This is a much needed service and the current demand is there from schools, conference facilitators, local businesses and the like. We can now provide fast internet access in all three areas of our parish. **Name: Guest Wi-Fi Username: AP-Guest Password: PayTV2021**

Do Consider booking our Parish Centre for your conference needs or family celebrations.

Golden Gate Roster

June 6th	Harry & Anna	13th	Jim & Jan	20th	Libby	27th	Harry & Anna
July 4th	Tim & Jan	11th	Libby	18th	Harry & Anna	25th	Tim & Jan

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