

Ararat and Lake Bolac CHURCH ROSTER

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
Sat Aug 4th	H. Collins	Beck Rodger			R&M Jerram & Tom Kidd		Geoff White	M. Cunningham	J. Clery
Sun Aug 5th	P. Lardner	R. Cooper	M. Cunningham, Sr. John & C. Reid	H&A Collins	Blessie Stoneman & V. Hooper		John Pola & P. Gemmola	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Aug 11th	P. Brennan	G. White	M. Mason, P. Brady		R&M Jerram & Tom Kidd	P. McAloon	G. White & Tom Kidd	A. Joyce & Marilyn Brady	Jo Donnan
Sun Aug 12th		S. Reid	C. Reid, M. Ollie & J. Start	J&J Crowe	Kathy Leggett & S. Pickering	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
Lake Bolac Sun Aug 5th	Reader L. Breen	Prayers Jane Higgins	Eucharistic Minister D. Haslett	Cleaner Jane Higgins	Lake Bolac Sun Aug 12th	Reader NO MASS	Prayers	Eucharistic Minister	Cleaner

Saint of the Week St. Cajetan **Feastday:** August 7 **Patron** of workers; gamblers; job seekers; unemployed people; Albania; Italy; Malta; Argentina; Brazil; El Salvador; Guatemala Birth: 1480 Death: 1547. In 1523, the Church was in sad shape. People could not get the spiritual nourishment they needed from the large numbers of uneducated and even immoral priests who took their money but returned nothing. When good priests and laypeople turned to the hierarchy for help, they found leaders at best apathetic and indifferent to their concerns. How should a good Catholic respond to this situation? We all know how Luther and others responded -- by splitting away from the Catholic Church when their pleas went unheard. Read more on www.catholic.org

Child Safe Church

Here at the Church of the Immaculate Conception 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. 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, 5 Aug 2018
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

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.

4th/5th August 2018

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Kenneth McAdie, Pat McDougall, Bruce Atkinson, Kevin Beer, Pat Liston, Fr Leo McCormick, Rosalia Kolotelo, Lina Daghero, Denise Fromager, William Oliver, Jan Tutton, Edward Byrne, Lola Lindholm, Danny Pollock, May Lenehan, Fr. Brendan Davey, Eliza O'Connor, Emma James, Sr Denise Allen C.S.B, Jeff Slatter, Beverley Austin, Frances Toner and Vin Fagan

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Sr. Geraldine Stapleton, Carmel Brennan, Jan Young

If you would like a sick person prayed for, ask for their permission. Names will be included for the duration of ONE MONTH after which family or friends can request more time.

Please pray for the intentions of:

Libby Shea, Mary Howard

First Reading Ex 16:2-4. 12-15

I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24

(R.) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

1. The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might. (R.)
 2. He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven. He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven. (R.)
 3. Mere men ate the bread of angels. He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand had won. (R.)

Second Reading Eph 4:17, 20-24

Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia!
 No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!

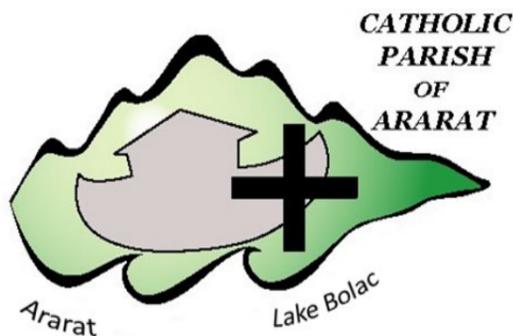
Gospel Jn 6:24-35

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.

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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.



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Download Church Bulletin -

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

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Parish Council Chairperson:

Charlie Reid

Finance Committee Chairperson:

Peter Gemmola

Funeral Ministry:

Joan Fitzpatrick, Sr. Maree, Harry Collins & Sioux Reid

Catholic Women's League:

Jan Crowe (President) & Anna Collins (Secretary)

St. Vincent de Paul Society:

Vinnies Shop/Centre 03 5352 5560

President: Peter Brady

Manager: Kathleen Leggett

PRINCIPAL ST. MARY'S SCHOOL: Mr Bill Hill

Download newsletter: www.smararat.catholic.edu.au

Ph: 03 5352 1796

PRINCIPAL MARIAN COLLEGE: Mrs Carmel Barker

Download newsletter:

www.mcararat.catholic.edu.au

Ph: 03 5352 3861

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 Glenthompson at 8.30am

Masses This Week

Wed 8th 9.30am Church

Fri 10th 6pm Hopkins

A VOCATION VIEW

"I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst." "Lord, send us priests after your own heart to give us the Food of everlasting life - Your very Self in the Eucharist.' Consider a call to the priesthood of Jesus Christ."

Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2017

"Charity is the most effective form of witness, because in it people see the love of God."

Sunday 2 September Joy+ Youth Festival in Warrnambool!

The Warrnambool Joy+ Youth Festival is on Sunday 2 September at **Warrnambool West**. 15-30 yo all welcome. Starts at 12noon. Fantastic music with Genevieve Bryant and her band. Choice of breakout sessions including music-making with Genevieve - bring your musical instrument if you wish. This is a free event, including meals, please let us know in advance for our planning. Register at www.trybooking.com/WHVU or contact us at youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au. This is an initiative for the Year of Youth - *Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy!* For more details check youth ministry web pages www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Vinnies



Do you have a couple of free hours? Vinnies would love you to join our happy volunteer team. If so, please call 53525560 and ask for Kath Leggett. The shop is open Mon-Thurs 10-4pm, Fri 10-2pm and Sat 10-12pm. Many thanks and looking forward to hearing from you!

Next Week's Readings: Aug 12th 2018

First Reading 1 Kgs 19:4-8

Second Reading Eph 4:30 - 5:2

ODD JOBS

If anyone has a little time up their sleeves: we are looking to have the small holes filled in where the old heaters used to be. Call Joyce in the office—5352 5460 Many thanks

Parish Centre Coffee Machine

A new Nespresso Coffee machine has been bought for Parish Centre. It has been well received by recent conferences hiring the centre. We have asked for a \$1 donation per pod as the Nespresso pods are quite expensive. This has also been received well. And the quality is excellent. And profit from this little venture will go back into the Parish Centre account.

ACRATH Government Funding ends

The one-year funding grant from the Federal Government for ACRATH ran out on June 30. Sadly, this announcement from the Federal Government revealed that it would not be re-funding ACRATH this year. We need your help now, more than ever, to continue our vital work to end human trafficking and modern day slavery. While we hold hope for further funding in the future, right now we are completely reliant on your generosity to continue working to combat modern day slavery and forced marriage. To continue our programs in the coming year we need \$300,000. Many of you, or your congregations, parishes or communities, already donate to ACRATH. Please, can you make a tax-deductible donation today. To make a donation contact Rosie Hoban on 0431 471046 or email rap@acrath.org.au.

The National Redress Scheme

The Federal Government's redress scheme commenced 1 July 2018. The Catholic Diocese of Ballarat, through the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference, has committed to participate in the scheme as another avenue of support for people who have experienced institutional child sexual abuse. People wishing to find out more and/or pursue support under the redress scheme can visit the Australian Government's Department of Social Services website www.dss.gov.au/redress or call the National Redress Information Line on 1800 146 713. I would like to confirm that any payments by our Diocese under the redress scheme will be paid from Diocesan resources, and not from the resources of parishes. Parish funds and assets belong to the local parish communities. They are a valuable resource for local communities and assist in fulfilling the mission of the Church at a local level.

Andrew Jirik, Diocesan Business Manager.

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – now open for new participants

Low-cost online study and formation for lay workers in parish and other ministries, employed or volunteers. Sacraments, scripture, youth ministry, liturgy, leadership - many subjects available – 5 weeks per subject. Registration for the September/October study cycle will open 18 July. See www.ballarat.catholic.org.au for more info or contact Amanda, ph. 5337 7125 or email amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au Please see the flyer on the notice board.

Plenary Council Song

The song, *Listen to the Spirit*, was launched at the recent PROCLAIM Conference. The song is composed and performed by Brisbane singer/songwriter Peter Pellican. He said the song draws on many of the key themes of the Plenary Council. More information regarding this song is available from the Plenary Council website <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/song/> or can be downloaded from the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Joke of the Week

A woman brought a very limp parrot into a vet hospital. As she lay her head on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest. After awhile, the vet shook his head sadly and said, "I'm sorry but Polly has passed away." The distressed owner wailed, "Are you sure? I mean you have done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something." The vet rolled his eyes, shrugged, turned and left the room returning a few moments later with a beautiful black Labrador. As the bird's owner looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the dead parrot from top to bottom. He then looked at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head. The vet led the dog out but returned a few moments later with a cat. The cat jumped up and also sniffed the bird. The cat sat back, shook its head, meowed and ran out of the room. The vet looked at the woman and said, "I'm sorry, but like I said, your parrot is most definitely dead." He then turned to his computer, hit a few keys and produced a bill which he handed to the woman. Still in shock, she took the bill. "\$950 just to tell me my bird is dead?!" The vet shrugged. "If you'd taken my word for it, the bill would have only been \$100, but the lab report and the cat scan really bumps up the cost."