CHURCH ROSTER

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharis- tic Minister	Golden Gate Commun- ion	Welcom- ers	Counter	Collec- tor	Flowers	Clean- ing
Sat Aug 12 th	C. Brennan	P. Brady	H&A Collins		Sr. Maree & Tom Kidd	V. Hooper, C. Bren- nan & G. White	Geoff White & Tom Kidd	J. North & Anne Joyce	J. Start
Sun Aug 13 th	P. Lardner	P. Brennan	G.O' Loughlin, N. Billingsley & S. Reid	J&J Crowe	S. Pickering	(as above)	C. Brennan	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Aug 19 th	H. Collins	Beck Rodger	A. Reynolds, L. Horsman & C. McAdie		R&M Jer- ram & Tom Kidd	E. Co- burn & Jo Jack- son	Tom Kidd & Geoff White	M. Egan & Maureen Brady	M. Fe Galoso & A. Galoso
Sun Aug 20 th	J. Start	N. Potter	C. Bulger, & K. Cham- mings	D&M Lister	Lois Rowe & Pat Lard- ner	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)

Joke of the Week

An Irishman was flustered not being able to find a parking space in a large mall's parking lot.

"Lord, "he prayed," I can't stand this. If you open a space up for me, I swear I'll give up drinking me whiskey, and I promise to go to church every Sunday." Suddenly, the clouds parted and the sun shone on an empty parking spot. Without hesitation, the man said, "Never mind, I found one."

Billy stops Paddy in Dublin and asks for the quickest way to Cork. Paddy says, "Are you on foot or in the car?" Billy says, "In the car." Paddy says, "That's the quickest way."

Church Toilets

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

Vinnies Winter Appeal

You will find some envelopes at the back of the Church should you wish to donate to the St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. Please drop your contributions into the Vinnies Shop on Barkly St. or into the collection during Mass but in a Vinnies envelope please so the counters can drop off the donations. All money stays in Ararat. If you would like to put a hamper together—Vinnies always welcome some of the following products—dried pasta, 2 minute noodles, crackers, biscuits, packet soup, tinned soup, snacks, cereals and rice.

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, a member of the Clergy, the Safe Guarding Officer on Ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au



Sunday, 13th Aug 2017 19th Sunday of Ordinary time Year A

As we celebrate, we acknowledge the Indigenous owners of the land on which The Church of The Immaculate Conception is built, the Tjapwurong people, and we respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us

First Reading 1 Kgs 19:9.11-13

Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8 (R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

- 1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
- a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)
- 2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R.)
- 3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 9:1-5

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 19:38

Alleluia, alleluia! I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word. Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 14:22-33

Command me to come to you over the water. copyright ICEL. Used with permission

12th/13th August 2017

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Leslie Shevlin, Fr Tom Kiniry, Con McDermott, Len Christian, Denise Fromager, Irene Jenkinson, Thomas Mulllins, Patrick Mullins, Mary-Anne McInnes, Agnes Declerq, Marjorie Carlson, Br James Threadgold, Brian Pickering, Eileen Carroll, Jean Williams, Janette Ryan, Fr Rodger Shepherd, Barbara Caporn, May Harrington, Kevin Moore, Michele DiDomenico, John Harvey

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Maryanne Carmichael, Bernie Sorsogon (Manilla), Shirley Billet, Natasha Martens.

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 :

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.

Parish Priest: Fr. Andrew Hayes andrew.hayes@ballarat.catholic.org.au

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

Parish Secretary: Joyce Clery ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au Safe Guarding Officer: Emma Coburn ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au Contact: 03 53525460 PO BOX 92, Ararat, VIC 3377

Office Hours: Wed/Thurs/Fri 10am-3pm (see details for July/Aug)

PRINCIPAL ST. MARY'S SCHOOL: Mr Tom Hogan

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

PRINCIPAL MARIAN COLLEGE: Mrs Carmel Barker

Download newsletter—www.mcararat.catholic.edu.au

MASS TIMES

	<u>Ararat</u>	<u>Lake Bolac</u>
	(Immaculate Conception)	(St. Bernard's)
rdav	6.00pm	

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 10.30am 8.30am 2nd Sunday of Every Month 8.30am

(Lay Assembly)

Masses this Week

Tues 15th9.30amConventWed 16th9.30amConventFri 11th6pmHopkins

LAKE BOLAC – Lay Assembly 13th Aug

READER: P. Meek

PRAYERS: J. Aldous

EUCHARISTIC

MINISTER: I. Meek
Cleaning: Tricia& M-A

LAKE BOLAC- MASS 20th Aug

READER: P Phillips
PRAYERS: J Hasslett

EUCHARISTIC

MINISTER: John Higgins
Cleaning: J Aldous, T

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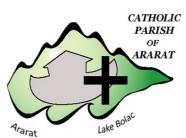
Forgiveness sets our hearts free and allows us to start anew. Forgiveness gives hope. Without forgiveness, the Church is not built up. ."

A VOCATION VIEW

Why is it that we lack real trust when the Lord calls us? We think we may drown, or have to give up too much, or fear failure. These attitudes can help to strengthen our faith in the Lord.

Counselling service: Relationships Australia – 1800 052 674 Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Towards Healing – 1800 099 340

Sexual Assault Crisis line: 1800 806 292



Embrace the Shepherds



In bible times the shepherds were considered outcasts, less worthy of a place in civil society. Here at St Mary's we're making a concerted effort to "embrace the shepherds."

We welcome every person who is unwelcome.

Saint of the Week:

Lawrence Third Century FEAST AUGUST 10 One of seven Roman deacons, Lawrence distributed alms to the poor. The deacons and Pope Sixtus II were arrested Aug. 6, 258, during the persecution of Valerian. All but Lawrence were martyred by the next day. When Rome's prefect demanded church funds from Lawrence, the deacon assembled the poor and said, "This is the treasury of the church." On Aug. 10, the prefect began roasting Lawrence on a gridiron, thinking it would break him. But, according to legend, he asked to be turned and roasted on the other side.



Notices

Office hours during August

Joyce will be away until the end of August. The office will be open: Wednesdays and Fridays—10am-12. On all other days the phone and the email will still be staffed. Please email rather than phone if you can. The office hours will return to normal in September.

<u>Thank You</u> for your support and prayers, cards, flowers etc, at the time of Sr. Marie's death.

CWL ladies special thanks for the tasty refreshments. Much appreciated.

Srs. John and Maree.

Euthanisa

Pamphlets on Euthanasia are available from the table in the back foyer

Migrant & Refugee Week August 21-27, 2017

"Child Migrants, the Vulnerable and the Voiceless" posters have been put in the back of the Church. For more information go to: http://www.acmro.catholic.org.au/

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

The Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers low-cost opportunities for online study and formation for lay workers in the diocese, both employees and volunteers. A wide range of subject areas are offered: Scripture, Sacraments, Social Justice, Leadership skills, Youth Ministry, many more. Registration for the September study cycle closes on 28 August - or you can start later in October. There are 6 study cycles each year, you can start at any one. Study one subject or do more – it's flexible! Details on the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (link is on home page), or contact Amanda, ph: 5337 7125 or email amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au.

ACYF 2017

Registrations for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival are already over 80% capacity and Early Bird Registrations close on 18 August. The Festival is 7-9 December 2017, for Year 9-30 yo. Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry has secured accommodation in Sydney and bus transport there and back. Please contact Amanda soon to 'book in' your group. If you are not yet part of a group, we can help – contact Amanda youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or 0427 748 867. More information on www.ballarat.catholic.org.au / Youth and Young Adult pages.

Private Board Required

Private board is required in Ballarat for four nights a week, Monday – Thursday for a female. If you are able to assist please email rdam@badac.onmicrosoft.com

RCIA Victorian State Conference - Melbourne

Saturday, August 26, 2017. "Ask, See, Knock: Joyful Encounters of RCIA". Flyer on notice board.