

Ararat and Lake Bolac CHURCH ROSTER

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
Sat Jun 16 th	P. Brennan	I Brady	M. Mason, P. Brady		Geoff White & Tom Kidd	V. Hooper, C. Brennan & G. White	V. Hooper	M. Lister & Anne Joyce	Jo Donnan
Sun Jun 17 th	J. Clery	S. Reid	C. Reid, M. Ollie & J. Start	H&A Collins	Lois Rowe	(as above)	John Pola & Geoff White	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Jun 23 rd		Beck Rodger	H&A Collins		Marg Joyce & Tom Kidd	E. Coburn & Jo Jackson	C. Brennan	G. O'Loughlin &	M. Fe Galoso & A. Galoso
Sun Jun 24 th	C. Reid	J. Crowe	G. O'Loughlin, N. Billingsley & S. Reid	J&J Crowe	Pat Lardner & S. Pickering	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
Lake Bolac Sun 17 th June	Reader V. Albert	Prayers I. Meek	Eucharistic Minister R. Liston	Cleaner R. Liston	Lake Bolac Sun 24 th June	Reader H. Smith	Prayers P. Meek	Eucharistic Minister R. Smith	Cleaner I. Meek

Saint of the Week St. Thomas More **Feastday:** June 22 **Patron** of adopted children lawyers, civil servants, politicians, and difficult marriages Birth: 1478 Death: 1535 Beatified By: December 29th, 1886 by Pope Leo XIII Canonized By: May 19th, 1935 by Pope Pius X Thomas More was born in London on February 7, 1478. His father, Sir John More, was a lawyer and judge who rose to prominence during the reign of Edward IV. His connections and wealth would help his son, Thomas, rise in station as a young man. Thomas' mother was Agnes Graunger, the first wife of John More. John would have four wives during his life, but they each died, leaving John as a widower. Thomas had two brothers and three sisters, but three of his siblings died within a year of their birth. Such tragedies were common in England during this time. 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.

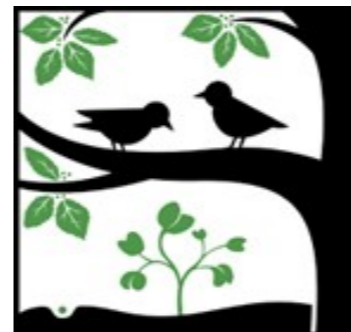
Our Safe Guarding Officer is Emma Coburn and you can download our Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy from the Parish website. If you have any concerns whatsoever—please contact the Parish Office, Fr. Andrew or the Safe Guarding Officer on ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au

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, 17 Jun 2018:
Eleventh 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.

16th/17th June 2018

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Pat O'Neill, Laurie Higgins, John Smerdon, Margaret Bushick, Fr Michael Jones, Margaret Sullivan, Hugh Nailon, Valda Jerram, Patrick Brennan, Lionel Egan, Dulce Makepeace, Fr. Austin Brennan, Beryl Nailor, Carmela Busuttill, Trish Cuthbert, John Keogh, Catherine Keogh, Edward Cleary, Patricia Grano, John Rienets, Pat Kelly, Norman Turnbull, Irene Karlslake, Fr Michael Fallon, Jean Keogh, Corrine Keogh, Fr Michael Doyle, Fr Don Dunne, John Murphy, Ern Trotter, Colin O'Toole, Bob Rutter, Kit Morris, Nicholas Kalomiris, Dennis Keogh, Tony Van Diesen, Bernard Maddocks

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Sr. Geraldine Stapleton, Carmel Brennan, Jan Young, Sr. Alexia Riddington, Susan Fitzpatrick

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:

Mary Howard and Libby Shea

Baptisms—Welcome to the World!

Landon Moorfoot—son of Elizabeth and Damian

First Reading Ez 17:22-24

I have made the small tree great

Responsorial Psalm Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. see v.2

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. **(R.)**
 2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **(R.)**

3. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **(R.)**

Second Reading 2 Cor 5:6-10

Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 4:26-34

The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.

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PARISH PRAYER

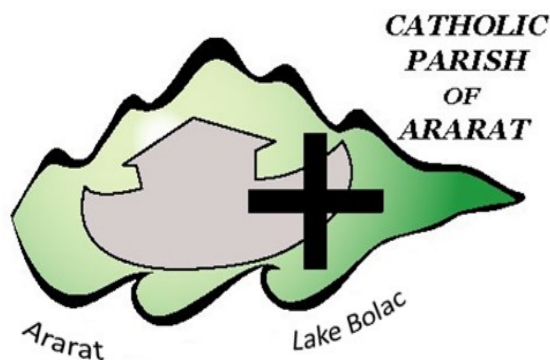
Loving God, Good Shepherd of us all,

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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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 5460

PRINCIPAL MARIAN COLLEGE: Mrs Carmel Barker

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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 20th 9.30am Church

Thurs 21st 11am Lowe St

Fri 22nd 6pm Hopkins

A VOCATION VIEW

There is a great need today to stand up for what we believe in. The Spirit of the Lord is upon you, He has sent you to bring Good News to the poor.

Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2017

"I send my cordial greetings to all those following the World Soccer Championships that begin today in Russia. I hope this sports event may be a positive opportunity for encounter and fellowship."

National Refugee Week June 17th 2018

Refugee Week is Australia's peak annual activity to raise awareness about the issues affecting refugees and celebrate the positive contributions made by refugees to Australian Society. Originally celebrated in 1986, Refugee Week coincides with World Refugee Day on June 20th. In a world where refugees experience persecution in their countries of origin and often face discrimination, difficulty and rejection in places where they seek refuge, speaking out often requires courage.

For further information: www.refugeeweek.org.au

Joke of the Week

A bloke visited his 3 friends and found them playing poker with a dog. "That's amazing— a dog playing poker," the chap said. One of his friends looked up and said:

"Don't be too impressed. Every time he gets a good hand he wags his tail."

ROSTERS

It's that time again! I'm about to put together the roster for the rest of the year. For all those who have an email—I have emailed you asking you to let me know what you can and cannot do. There is also a list on the table in the foyer for you to complete if you did not receive an email. Many thanks

A Movie Event

You've heard the song, now hear the story behind it. Where: The Salvation Army Ararat, When: Friday June 29th of June 6.30pm. See the poster in the foyer

Combined Churches Service

Sunday June 24, 5pm. Hosted by the Salvation Army. Please bring tea to share.

ACRATH World Day Against Human Trafficking Appeal

ACRATH has launched its fundraising appeal and hopes to raise more than \$100,000 in the lead up to World Day Against Trafficking in Persons on July 30. The money will help ACRATH maintain vital programs to combat human trafficking, especially forced marriage and forced labour. Media release attached.

Liturgy Formation 2018

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions this year: Birchip - Sunday, May 27; Ararat – Sunday, June 24; Hamilton – Sunday, July 29. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass at 10.30am with the formation program beginning at 12.00noon. Lunch will be supplied by the parish at 1.00pm.

[Registration Forms and stamped addressed envelopes on the notice board for your convenience](#)

Registration is also available via the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Heaters in the Church

Parishioners in Ararat will notice the new heaters. ***If would be lovely if those sitting closest to the heaters turn them off at the wall at the end of each Mass. Many thanks.***



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!

Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention

ACYMC 2018, the Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention is a national conference for Youth Leaders & Ministers, from September 21-23, in Sydney. Registrations are now open. For more info and to register: www.acymc.org.au or contact the Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Ministry Office Ph: 5337 7125.

Joy Spreading - Sam Clear special guest!

Sam Clear is the guest speaker at the next **Joy Spreading** event for young adults (18-30yo) on Friday 27 July from 6.30pm – 9.00pm at the Lake View Hotel, Ballarat. An opportunity for young Catholic adults to share ideas and views in a friendly environment. This is a Year of Youth initiative - *Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy*. More info www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or 53377125.