

CHURCH ROSTER

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
Sat May 20 th	H. Collins		T. Gemmola		R&M Jerram	The Arnold Family, T. Weeks & C. Martin	Geoff White & Carmel Brennan	J. North & M. Cunningham	J. Clery
Sun May 21 st	N. Potter	R. Cooper	M. Cunningham, Sr. John & C. Reid	Elizabeth Shea	Blessie Stone-man	(as above)	John Pola & P. Gemmola	(as above)	(as above)
Sat May 27 th	P. Brennan	G. White	M. Mason, P. Brady & AM Joyce		R&M Jerram	The Reynolds Family & P. McAloon	G. White	A. Joyce & Marilyn Brady	Jo Donnan
Sun May 28 th	J. Clery	S. Reid	C. Reid, M. Ollie & J. Start	Anne-Marie Joyce	Kathy Leggett & S. Pickering	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)



**Sunday, 21st May 2017
Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year A**

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

First Reading Acts 8:5-8. 14-17

Responsorial Psalm Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. see v.1

(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise.

Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! (R.)

2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. (R.)

3. He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. (R.)

4. Come and hear, all who fear God.

I will tell what he did for my soul:

Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Pt 3:15-18

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 14:15-21

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20th/21st May 2017

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Reg Palmer, Mary Stevens, James Kelly, Cataldo Busittil, Margaret Dowd, Theophilus Coker, Bertha Coker, Josephine Coker, Joseph Coker, Sabina Coker, Mick Schwab, Kathleene Creenaune, Redmond O'Halloran, Mary Lewer, Patsy Hinchey, Peter O'Rorke, Jennifer Laidlaw, Peggy McAdie, Gladys Lister, Fr Laurie Gallagher, Eva Neulist, Brian Carr, Harold Hockley

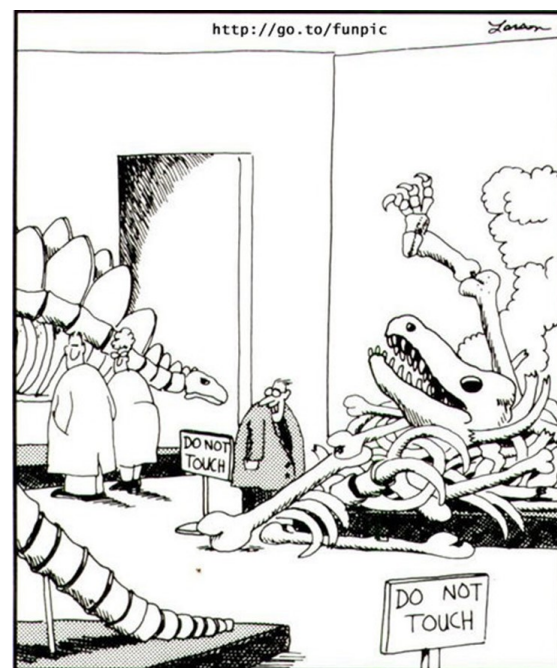
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Grace Molloy, Taine Pearce, Emily May, Bernie Sorsogon (Manilla), Barry Wilson, 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:

Linden Horsman



Pentecost Sunday Mass—
June 4th 2017 at Seppelt Winery,
Great Western

Bookings have now **closed** for the Pentecost Mass. If you have a dietary requirement, email or ph

June 4th 2017

Morning Mass in Ararat will commence at 10.15am

Not 10.30am

PARISH PRAYER

Loving God, Good Shepherd of us all,

gather us and form us into a welcoming Parish family.

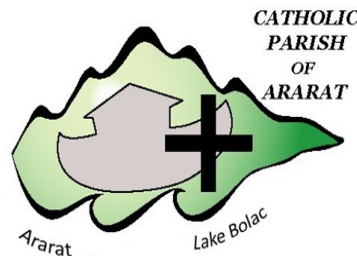
Touch our hearts with your love so that we, in turn, may reach out in love to one another,

in a neighbourly community. We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

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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)
Saturday	6.00pm	
Sunday	10.30am	8.30am
2nd Sunday of Every Month		8.30am (Lay Assembly)
Masses This Week		
Tues 23rd	9.30am	Convent
Wed 24th	9.30am	Convent
Thurs 25th	9.30am	Convent
Fri 26th	9.30am	Church
	(with schools for Catholic Education Week)	

LAKE BOLAC—MASS 21st May

READER: Jane Higgins
PRAYERS: J. Aldous
EUCCHARISTIC
MINISTER: R. Liston

LAKE BOLAC—MASS May 28th

READER: R. Liston
PRAYERS: V. Albert
EUCCHARISTIC
MINISTER: John Higgins

Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2017

“Living together is an art. It's a patient art, it's a beautiful art, it's fascinating.”

A VOCATION VIEW

That Jesus rose from the dead is our Faith. That we can be reborn in the Spirit is our Hope. That we can do God's work is our Love. Follow God's Call.

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

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: St. Eugene de Mazenod, Feast Day May 21st, Patron Saint of dysfunctional Families, B1782, D 1861. Eugene de Mazenod was born on August 1, 1782, at Aix-en-Provence in France.

Early in [life](#) he experienced the upheaval of the French Revolution. [None](#) the less, he entered the seminary, and following ordination he returned to labor in Aix-en-Provence. That area had suffered greatly during the Revolution and was not really a safe place for a priest. Eugene directed his ministry toward the poorest of the poor. Others joined his labors, and became the nucleus of a religious community, the Missionaries of Provence. Later Eugene was named [Bishop](#) of Marseille. There he built churches, founded parishes, cared for his priests, and developed catechetics for the young.

Read more on www.catholic.org/saints

RAR / ASRC

Rural Australians for Refugees

Thank you to everyone who has brought in items for RAR's “Keep it Clean” collection. Shampoos, conditioners, deodorants, toothpastes or toothbrushes and the like can be brought into the parish office or left in the church foyer. Items will be delivered to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre in Melbourne for distribution.

Climate Change Petition

Attached to the foyer notice board, please find a Micah Australia Climate Change petition. This is a combined Church initiative. Caritas Australia is a member of Micah Australia. The petition in Ballarat is being coordinated by Bronwen James who will receive signatures until June 30. They will then be presented to Hon. Catherine King, MP to represent Ballarat. Caritas resources for parishes and schools can be found on the Caritas website www.caritas.org.au/act/our-common--home/climate-petition-2017#Featured. For further information on the petition please contact Bronwen, ph.0400 574 523 or email bronwenj0@gmail.com. Petitions to be sent to Bronwen James, c/- Ballarat Central Uniting Church, 103 Lydiard Street South, Ballarat Vic. 3350. *Thank you for your support, Sue Searls, Ballarat Diocesan Director for Caritas Australia.*

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship – applications now open

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offer scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Applications close 17 July 2017. Details and application: <http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

“Lessons from the Long Paddock” econference

The Diocese of Wilcannia- Forbes is offering an econference online event called “Lessons from the Long Paddock” on Tuesday, June 6, 2017. This econference opens the conversation for many people who are curious about what the experience of faith actually feels like in ordinary life. Participants engage with conversations which signpost essential spiritual markers relevant to knowledge about what leads into fuller humanity, Christian, Catholic and Australian life. This econference draws participants to seek Christ at the heart of human experience and nurtures a capacity to trust that individuals have all they need to begin the journey into constant conversion. The econference has two keynote speakers, Bishop Columba Macbeth Green OSPPE and Fr Frank Brennan SJ, who will discuss Australian and Outback Spirituality. The workshops will be facilitated by Kate Englebrecht, Diocesan Director of Mission. For more information please contact Kate on, ph. 0420 309 689 or <http://www.wf.catholic.org.au/> More information on the foyer notice board

Time to Draw the Line – East Timor

Many of you have a close relationship with East Timor communities. Here is a way to ACT for JUSTICE in support of these communities. Please share this petition in your parish and where possible invite members of your local community to be informed and to sign the petition. All petitions are required before July 30, 2017. Sr Susan Connelly rsj has initiated a formal Petition to the Australian House of Representatives on the maritime border with East Timor. A formal petition means it will be read in parliament. Hopefully, you are aware of this protracted dispute between Australia and its much poorer neighbour, East Timor. Petition on foyer table.

www.jcr.org.au



Church Toilets

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