

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Ballarat

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22nd October 2017



Parish Office hours
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Monday - Friday 10 am – 5.00 pm
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Bishop Paul Bird CSsR, Priests, Frs Justin Driscoll, Anthony Nagothu, Sajan Mathew
Parish Office Jacinta Westbrook, Finance Officer Jess Salazar
Family Ministry Anita Houlihan, Grounds Tony McVeigh
Cathedral Parish Pastoral Carer at Ballarat Health Services Tracy Sillekens
Principals of our three Parish Schools

[St Patrick's Primary](#) Mark Hogbin, [St Thomas More](#) Rosa Tocchet, [Siena](#) at Lucas Jo Brewer

Cathedral Parish Masses	28 th /29 th October	Smythesdale	Linton	Skipton
6.30 pm Vigil, 8.00 am, 10.30 am, 5.00 pm		6.30 pm Vigil	9.00am	10.30 am

Masses during the coming week

Monday	12.05 pm	Cathedral		
Tuesday	12.05 pm	Cathedral		
Wednesday	12 Noon	ACU Aquinas	12.05pm	Cathedral
Thursday	9.30 am	Redan	11.30am	St John of God 12.05 pm Cathedral
Friday	9.30 am	Sebastopol	12.05 pm	Cathedral
Saturday	10.00 am	Cathedral		

Sacrament of Reconciliation Friday 11.00 am Saturday 11.30 am

Morning Prayer of the Church 8.00 am Tuesday – Friday in the Cathedral

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Monday & Tuesday 10.00 am – 11.45 am, Friday 12.30 pm

The Rosary is prayed in the Cathedral at 11.15 am Wednesday – Friday

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena - 7.00 pm each Wednesday evening at Nazareth House and prayers on the 1st & 3rd Friday in the Cathedral at 11.00 am.

First Saturday Devotion to Our Lady - 10.30 am in the Cathedral

Charismatic Prayer Tuesdays at 7.00 pm in the MacKillop/Glowrey rooms
Fridays at 8.00 pm in the Presbytery Meeting room

Next week's readings: Sunday October 29th 2017 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Exodus 22:20-26 Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R. v.2 Thessalonians 1:5-10 Matthew 22:34-40

Recent Deaths: Irene Broadhead, Athol Daffey, Sr. Marie Kelly, Margaret McKinnon, Carmel Mitchell,

Anniversaries: Jacob Everett, Kathleen Foley, Nancy Kearney, Ricky Stephens, Liam Styles,

We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism;

Darcy Francis Tyndall

son of Benjamin & Philippa

James Michael Chaffey

son of Joshua & Krystal

Angus Jacob Oliver

son of Lachlan & Jacinta

Eliza Joyce Cromb

daughter of Timothy & Karina

May they grow in faith in their loving families and our Catholic Community.



Senior Reconciliation

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish is inviting enrolments from fully initiated Year 5 and 6 children to participate in the preparation program for reconciliation, part 2 (senior). It is the continuation of part 1 of reconciliation at junior level (year 4). An information session for parents to attend will take place on **Thursday October 26th at 7.00pm in the small hall of St Patrick's Hall.**

As part of your commitment to support your child through the Sacraments, a parent/guardian is required to attend the information session. For further information please contact Anita, Family Ministry Coordinator at the Parish Office on 53 312 933 on Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9.00am – 3.30pm (during school terms), email any time anita.houlihan@ballarat.catholic.org.au or phone Jacinta in the Parish Office Monday – Friday 10.00am to 5.00pm.

Mercy Associates Fundraiser

“Victoria and Abdul” Film and High Tea luncheon on Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 10.00am, Regent Theatre, Ballarat. Cost is \$25.00pp. Raffle and door prizes. Proceeds raised are for Mercy Works. Contacts for tickets are Ursula ph. 0407717626 or Monica ph. 0438601856. All welcome



Australian Catholic Youth Festival

The Youth Festival is being held in Sydney on December 7th – 9th. Twenty young people from the Cathedral Parish have registered to attend the festival. The Diocese of Ballarat will be providing the funding for bus transport of the young people to and from Sydney. The Cathedral Parish will contribute \$5,600 which cover the accommodation costs for our young people to stay in Sydney. Each of the young people attending will pay \$190 for their own registration. Many thanks to Michaela Corrigan and the YESS Leadership for their ongoing ministry.

The Four Seasons Fine Music Festival

Saturday 28 October @ 7pm Babaganoush Gypsy Ensemble Venue: St Paul's Church, Clunes

Sunday 29 October @ 2pm Rhys Boak and Bruno Siketa Venue: St John's Church, Creswick

More information: Creswick and Clunes Information Centres or fourseasonsmusicfestival@gmail.com

book online: www.ballaratanglican.org.au/fourseasons

Loreto College Events

Past Pupils' Annual High Tea & Mass of Remembrance - Tuesday 24 October, 2017

The Past Pupils Annual High Tea & Mass of Remembrance is the main annual gathering for past pupils of all ages. All past pupils and friends are warmly invited to attend Mass in the Chapel at 5pm in remembrance of all deceased members of the Loreto family.

Past Pupils High Tea will be held in the Mary's Mount Centre Foyer before the Mass between 2pm and 3.45pm. High Tea Bookings are \$10 per head. To book: <https://loreto.vic.edu.au/events-publications-media/loreto-event/> or Ph: 53296137 Past Pupils Association AGM will be held in the Mary's Mount Centre Foyer between 3.45pm and 4.45pm. Mass of Remembrance will be held at 5pm in the Chapel For further information please contact the Loreto College Marketing & Development Office on 53296137.

Loreto Old Boys Twilight Beverages - Friday 27 October – 5pm, Mary's Mount Centre Courtyard

The Annual 'Old Boys' event is a fantastic opportunity for the past Loreto boys catch up and reconnect over a drink on the College grounds. To RSVP: To book: <https://loreto.vic.edu.au/events-publications-media/loreto-event/> or Ph: 53296137

The Ballarat Interfaith Network - Friendship Walk 2017

Date: Sunday 5 November 2017 **Time:** 2pm to 4:30pm **Location:** St Alipius Catholic Church, 84 Victoria St, Ballarat East Come along on Sunday 5th November and spend an afternoon walking together in friendship and goodwill between St Alipius Catholic Church, Ballarat Hebrew Congregation Synagogue and Islamic Mosque. Starting with a prayer for peace we will then learn about some of the history and traditions of each of the places we visit. Meeting Place & Planned Walking Route:

2.00pm – St Alipius Catholic Church, 84 Victoria St, Ballarat East,

2.45pm – Hebrew Congregation Synagogue, 2 Barkly St, Bakery Hill

3.45pm – Islamic Mosque, 116 Elsworth St, Canadian

Registration: Margaret 0400 650 234 | Maureen 0418 383 802

Catholic Theological College

Open Day Wednesday 8 November, 2017 Study options, Library and Building tour, Refreshments, Two programs: 4.30pm–6.30pm or 6.00pm–8.00pm Bookings essential RSVP to Jenny Delahunt by Friday 3 November Phone: 9412 3314 Email: jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne VIC

Whoever Drinks of The Water That I Shall Give, Will Never Thirst Again - John 4:14



Catholic Mission supports missionaries like Sister Mary Hoaian in Nha Trang, Vietnam to provide critical community resources such as clean drinking water and medical care to the country's 12 million forgotten farming families, living in the coastal mountain regions. By supporting the Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal today or

by partnering with us through your monthly gift, to support isolated families in coastal Vietnam, and all around the world, to receive the vital resources they require such as clean drinking water and medical care. Please give generously to support impoverished families in Vietnam, and around the world today.

Liturgical Ministries

We are currently preparing rosters for November - January, if you are going to be away during this time please contact your Mass co-ordinator, before 22nd of October.

Contact details can be found on the current roster. Liturgy Team.

Collections Envelopes \$1,416.00 Parish Loose \$253.15 Presbytery \$1,880.25

New Stewardship envelopes are available for collection in the south transept. Thank you to all contributors to the Cathedral Parish Stewardship program. If you would like to join the Stewardship by making a regular financial contribution to the Cathedral Parish, you can do so by either direct debit or the envelopes. Please contact Jess Salazar in the Parish Office.

Counters 22nd October Team 7 Next week team 1. Thank you to all contributors and counters.

Gospel Reflection

Sr Veronica Lawson RSM

The emergence of a common enemy is often the catalyst for sworn enemies to unite. In first century Palestine, Pharisees who were the respected religious teachers of the law and Herodians who represented secular Jewish power and wealth despised each other on both religious and political grounds. When both were faced with a perceived threat to their authority, however, they united in opposition. Their "opponent" in that context was Jesus of Nazareth. No good was to come of their alliance. They come together and try to set a trap for him. In attempting to set him up, they ironically pay him the greatest of tributes: addressing him as "teacher", they acknowledge his sincerity and admit that he teaches the way of God in accordance with the truth. They witness to his lack of concern with status and hierarchical division. The question of these traditional enemies is intended to put Jesus in a "no win" position: "Is it lawful to pay tribute to the emperor or not?" Jesus turns the question back upon them. He lets them know that he is aware of their malicious intentions and asks them to produce the coin used for the tax. He thus makes the issue one of images, a sensitive issue for all Jews, rather than of tribute. The Roman denarius that they produce bears the bust of the Roman emperor and the Latin inscription, "Tiberius Caesar, son of the divine Augustus, High Priest".

Jesus' response, "Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God", can be interpreted in several ways. Is Jesus simply exposing their hypocrisy as bearers of images? From a Jewish perspective, everything belongs to God, the earth and all its riches. The disciples of the Pharisees and the Herodians are Jews, even if the sympathies of the latter lean towards the Roman occupiers. Is he telling them to pay the tax while still recognising God's prior claim? Is he telling them not to pay the tax precisely because the emperor has no claim on what belongs to God? Is he critiquing the Roman occupation or legitimizing it? Or is he saying something else? They are left to interpret his response as they wish. One thing is clear: Jesus' words have nothing to do with the modern distinction between Church and secular state. There are good reasons for paying taxes in a secular state and for contributing financially to the life of the Church. It is quite anachronistic to invoke this text in support of paying state taxes or of supporting the Church financially. The story is more about sincerity and truth in our relationships with each other and with the God of all truth. That must be the main criterion for any personal or global alliance