

# St Patrick's Cathedral

## Parish, Ballarat

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**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**

**26<sup>th</sup> February 2017**



### Project Compassion Sunday

The theme for Project Compassion 2017 is "Love your neighbour".

This year, Project Compassion demonstrates how love for our neighbours can transform lives. For more than 50 years, Caritas Australia has been privileged to work together with our neighbours – our most vulnerable sisters and brothers in First Australian communities and other countries.

Cathedral Parish Masses	March 4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	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	12.05pm	Cathedral		
Tuesday	12.05 pm	Cathedral		
Thursday	9.30 am	Redan	11.30am St John of God	12.05pm Cathedral
Friday	9.30 am	Sebastopol		12.05pm Cathedral
Saturday	10.00 am	Cathedral		

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** Friday 11.30 am, Saturday 11.30 am

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

### Ash Wednesday Masses March 1<sup>st</sup>

Vigil Tuesday 7.00 pm	Skipton		
Wednesday 7.30 am	Cathedral	9.30am	Sebastopol
10.00 am	Cathedral (Parish Primary Schools)	11.45am	Redan
12.05 pm	Cathedral	6.00 pm	Sebastopol
7.00 pm	Cathedral	7.00 pm	Beaufort
7.30 pm	Snake Valley		

### Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting and Abstinence from meat.

On all other Fridays, the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled through any of the following:

- (a) **Prayer:** for example, Mass attendance; family prayer, a visit to a church or chapel, reading the Bible, the Stations of the Cross, praying the rosary...
- (b) **Self-denial:** for example, not eating meat, not eating sweets or desserts, reducing time for watching TV or other entertainments.
- (c) **Helping others** for example, taking the family to visit the elderly, visiting the sick or someone who is lonely.

**Recent Deaths:** Franco Cantelmi,

**Anniversaries:** Bryan Coffey, Jim Conway, Patrick Joseph Duggan, Tommy Simpson, Ante Tudorovic

**Next week's readings:** *Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup> 2017*

*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent (A)*

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7 Ps 50:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. see v.3 Romans 5:12.17-19 Matthew 4:1-11

**We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism;**

Indie Rose Sambell

daughter of Julian & Lucy

Violet Jean Bigg

daughter of Mark & Meagan



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

**Catholic Women's League**

General Members will meet at St Patrick's Cathedral Presbytery on Ash Wednesday, March 1 at 1.30pm. Visitors welcome. Enquires to Gertie Phone 5334 1670

**Parish RCIA Update:**

Our Parish RCIA journey intensifies during the Lenten Season, as our Catechumens and Candidates prepare to celebrate the Easter Sacraments with our Parish Community. At the 5.00 pm Mass this Sunday our Catechumens, Vasudha Gill , Kate Godfrey, Jade Martin-Lench, and Daska Saleeba, will take part in the Rite of Naming, when they will be asked to offer their names as recognition of their intention to receive the Sacraments of Initiation, thus, becoming the Elect. Our baptised candidates Kellie Constable, Bradley Harris, Bronwyn Illingworth, Andrea Romeo and Kris Scott will also submit their names to indicate their desire to become full members of the Catholic Church. These Catechumens and Candidates will be presented to Bishop Paul at the Rite of Election on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 12.30 pm in the Cathedral when Bishop Paul, accepts them as the Elect. All are invited to the Rite of Election at 12.30 pm on Saturday. Please pray for our Catechumens and Candidates as the entire Parish Community journeys with them over these coming months.

**Youth Ministry in the Cathedral Parish**

YESS (Youth Every Second Sunday) is back for 2017 beginning February 26<sup>th</sup>. YESS will run on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday every month and is held in the smaller hall at the Cathedral. High School age young people are welcome to attend. The Young Adult Leadership team – Michaela Corrigan, Daniel Van Styn and Esther De Losa and Chiara Angeli have met with Fr Anthony and Justin to plan their year. Please contact Michaela Corrigan on 0431295207.

**Finding New Life in the Holy Spirit**

A seven week Seminar commencing Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm in the front meeting room of the Presbytery. All Welcome. Please bring a pen & notebook

## **Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2017 Lenten Speaker**

An invitation is extended to parishioners and friends to attend a shared meal with Fr Tonette to hear about his work for Caritas Australia in the Philippines. Fr Tonette is Director of the Socio-Pastoral Action Centre Foundation, a Filipino organisation that supports the development and empowerment of Indigenous communities. Please bring a plate of food to share for a buffet. Tea/Coffee provided. Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 6pm for 6.30pm start at Our Lady Help of Christians Parish meeting room, Gillies St Wendouree. RSVP 28<sup>th</sup> February to Connie [c.bonzon812@gmail.com](mailto:c.bonzon812@gmail.com) or Sue at [sue.searls@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:sue.searls@ballarat.catholic.org.au) 0409 401 329

## **90<sup>th</sup> World Day of Prayer Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

All are warmly invited to share in the World Day of Prayer services planned by the Christians of the Philippines on the theme "Am I being unfair to you?" on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017.

10.00 am St Paul's Anglican Church, 3 Humffray Street South, Bakery Hill

2.00 pm St. John's Catholic Church, Anderson Street, Skipton

2.00 pm St. John's Anglican Church, 606 Armstrong Street, Ballarat North

5.30 pm St Andrew's Uniting Church, 130 Ballarat Road, Creswick

7.00 pm Buninyong Town Hall, Learmonth Street. Host: Buninyong Baptist Church

Rosebank Retirement Village, 19a Charlotte Street, Sebastopol, 10.00 am Thursday February 23<sup>rd</sup>

Pineview Residential Care, 324 Nicholson Street, Black Hill, 11.00 am Thursday March 2<sup>nd</sup>

Nazareth House Chapel, 218 Mill Street, Lake Wendouree 10.00 am Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup>

## **Choir for Mass of the Oils 2017**

Singers and musicians are invited to join the music group which is being formed for this Mass, 6.30pm Monday April 10<sup>th</sup>. Practice times will be advised. Please contact Julie Boyd in the Pastoral Ministry Office to register your interest [julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

To be re-introduced into one of the Sunday Masses on a regular basis. Parents interested in being part of this are asked to contact Fr Justin through the Parish Office.

## **Preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Following the parent information gatherings, this weekend at the 6.30 pm, 10.30 am and 5.00 pm Masses, the children commencing preparation for the sacrament of Reconciliation will be presented to the parish and participate in their first dismissal. The preparation will lead to the sacramental celebrations of the Rite of Reconciliation, Tuesday March 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> at 7.00 pm.

## **Clergy Appointments**

Bishop Paul has appointed Fr Neville Stanislaus as Parish Priest of the Parishes of Camperdown and Timboon, commencing May 1<sup>st</sup> 2017. An appointment to the parishes of Hopetoun, Nhill and Warracknabeal will be made in the coming weeks.

## Child Safety Standards

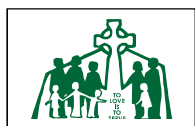
New state government legislation has come into effect with the New Year which sets standards for child safety. The Cathedral parish has appointed Mr Jess Salazar as our Safeguarding officer and have a [Child Safety Policy](#) to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care.

A [Child Safety Code of Conduct](#) has been adopted for all who work with children in the Parish.

## Call for Nominations – Diocesan Pastoral Council

The Diocese of Ballarat is calling for nominations for lay members of the 2017 Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC). The DPC is a consultative and advisory body to the Bishop. [Click here](#) for more information or check with your parish priest/parish leader, or phone Amanda at the Diocese office, phone 5337 7125

<b>Collections</b>	Envelopes \$1,367.00	Loose \$334.80	Presbytery \$2,038.55
<b>Counters</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> February Team 1	Next week Team 2	



Parish Office hours Monday - Friday 10.00 am – 5.00 pm Phone 5331 2933  
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Bishop Paul Bird CSsR, Priests, Frs Justin Driscoll, Anthony Nagothu, Sajan Matthew

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

## The Lent Fast

Fast from Judgement,	feast on compassion
Fast from greed,	feast on sharing
Fast from scarcity	feast on abundance
Fast from fear,	feast on peace
Fast from lies,	feast on truth
Fast from gossip,	feast on praise
Fast from anxiety	feast on patience
Fast from evil,	feast on kindness
Fast from apathy,	feast on engagement
Feast from discouragement,	feast on hope
Fast from hatred,	feast on love.
<b><i>What will be your fast?</i></b>	<b><i>What will be your feast?</i></b>



Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "Love your neighbour".

You will be helping to empower our world's most vulnerable neighbours to build a better future for our common home.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.