

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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SUNDAY (C)

June 19th 2016

THE YEAR OF MERCY
12th Sunday

BULLETIN NOTICES

Please forward any notices for the bulletin to Kim Collins (Laffin)

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NEXT WEEKS MASS TIMES

4th SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –
CHARLTON

SATURDAY, 7.00 P.M. –
WEDDERBURN*

SUNDAY, 10.30 A.M. –
ST. ARNAUD

SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –
DONALD

*Lay Led Liturgy

NEXT WEEKENDS MASS ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: Marg Fradd*√
Francie Lanyon*√ Marg McGrath* Nursing Home •

READERS: Des Lanyon

PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL: Francie Lanyon

GIFTS : Nance and Frank Sait

ALTAR SERVERS: Maddison and Elliot Fitzpatrick

FLOWERS: Moira Olive

HOME VISITING: Sandra Patton

COUNTERS: This week: John Stahl

Next week: Leo and Kath Noonan

CHURCH CLEANING: M Sait, M Olive, Briony Zagame

Please pick up your church rosters from the table in the porch of the Church. Could I also have a copy of an updated Altar Servers roster please.

OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

RECENT DEATHS:

- WIN KELLY (HUNT)

ANNIVERSARIES:

- ANTHONY HILL
- JOHN WALSH
- WILLIAM O'CONNOR
- MICK HANNON
- LIESAL LESLEY
- BILL PATTON
- URSULA GRIFFITHS
- VIN RYAN

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

- Bailey Delaney
- Vin Sait
- Father Brendan Davey
- Fr John Keane
- Terry Lane

Fr Paul will be away on annual break from this weekend to July 24th /25th weekend.

Should you need to contact a priest the best contact would be Fr Eugene McKinnon at Donald 54971112.

Charlton Masses and 'fill in' priests while I'm away:

On the Weekend of 25th - 26th June Fr Anthony from the Cathedral will be here for the 8.30 a.m. Mass 0412 865 821

On the weekend of 2nd - 3rd of July Fr. Anthony will be here for the 10.30 a.m. Mass

On the weekend 9th - 10th July Fr Justin Driscoll will be here for the 7 p.m. Saturday Mass 0419 386 587

On the weekend 16th - 17th July Fr. John Pothiyttel will be here for the 8.30 a.m. Mass. 0432 649 984

Wedderburn 3rd July 8.30 a.m. Fr. Anthony

Wedderburn Sat. 16th July 7.00 p.m. Fr. John Potiyittal.

ACBC Statement re Federal Election

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference have released a statement regarding the upcoming federal election, "Voice for the voiceless: A statement by the Catholic Bishops of Australia on the election" dated 16 May 2016 (attached). Further information, including a prayer for the election, is available from the ACBC website:

www.catholic.org.au<<http://www.catholic.org.au/>>

The Catholic Diocese of Ballarat each month publicizes online (On the internet) an information facility which is called ENEWS and for those who have the possibility of using the Internet it can be accessed at enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au.

This month's edition highlights the talk that Father Peter Jose gave the Action for World Development group in Charlton recently at the East Charlton Hotel on the topic of India. He indicated that the picture often given by the Western media of India's deep poverty is not the picture all over of India. The country is growing not only in population but also in sharing wealth with many of those who in the past would have been poor. Father Peter assists Father Eugene McKinnon especially in the parishes of Sea Lake, Quambatook, Wycheproof and Ouyen.

Also in the edition is the story of Father Pat Flanagan's (or Flagg as he refers to himself) newly published book which is called JUST WHAT IS SACRIFICE.

There is also a report on the Catholic Education Week activities in the diocese. Part of those activities include the celebration of Mass with St Joseph's St Mary's Donald and St Patrick's St Arnaud last week and other activities. There is a report about the work of the sisters of Mercy in Australia assisting in caring for over 140,000 people in the services they provide. They are now working to improve the environment what we leave with our children so that it will be better rather than worse than now.

Meditation Group

You may be interested in joining a weekly meditation group. There'll be an introductory session led by meditators from Bendigo on Tuesday May 17 at 10 am at St Joseph's Church Charlton.

No prior experience necessary. The weekly sessions would probably be about 40 minutes. Let me know if you're interested.

Jo Russell

Diocesan Website

It has been 12 months since the launch of the new diocesan website. This is one of the main avenues of communication for the diocese and we encourage parishes to use and update their pages regularly. If you have any feedback or ideas for the website, please let us know pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Liturgy Formation 2016 / Launch of Let the Children Come

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission will be presenting Liturgy Formation sessions in the diocese in 2016 on Funeral Ministry, Formation for Lectors and the launch of the sacramental program, "Let the Children Come" - July 24 at Birchip Parish, Mass at 10.30 a.m. August 7 at and Ararat Parish (Mass at 10.30 a.m.). As this day includes the launch of "Let the Children Come", all involved in the Parish Sacramental Programs are encouraged to attend. More information is available from the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au. Program begins at 12.00 and runs to 4.30 including a 1pm lunch.

St Joseph's School. The work on the extensions with the school are nearing completion and now there is action to have the new area with furniture. The date of August 5th has been earmarked by Bishop Paul Bird to join us all for the blessing and opening. The proposed ceremony will begin with the celebration of Mass around 4.30 on by the blessing ceremony and then all present will be invited to share a meal together in the multipurpose room. This will be an opportunity for us to meet with Bishop Paul and for him to enjoy our company and get to know us a little bit more.

