

Praying Towards 2020

The style of leadership being exercised by Pope Francis is one that encourages dialogue. The Catholic Church in Australia is seeking to dialogue with all about what we each think God is asking of us in Australia? There are many issues about which to dialogue including those that have come from the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

Entering into dialogue will involve listening and discernment. It will be an act of faith.

*What do you
think God
is asking
of us in
Australia?*



Blessed are you, God of all creation. You have given us life and light and all the wonders of the world. You have sent your Son Jesus to be our Saviour and your Holy Spirit to be our guide.

As we prepare for the plenary council, we ask you to come into our hearts with your Son and Holy Spirit.

Come to us and make your home in us.

We pray for our local community, for the people of our diocese and for the Church throughout Australia. May your wisdom show us the way, for your word is a lamp for our feet and a light for our path. Come and fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love, that we may live by your gospel and share your good news with all we meet. Holy Mary, Mother of our Saviour, pray for us.

St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

Welcome to Redemptorist Priest, Fr John Hill who is celebrating the weekend Masses with Fr Anthony and the Smythesdale, Linton and Skipton communities this weekend and inviting us to pray towards 2020.

St Peter's Parish

Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley

Please Contact the Cathedral Office 5331 2933

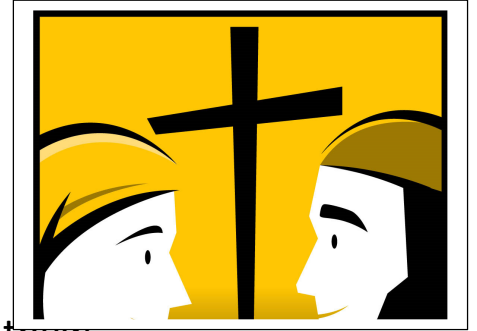
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Priests: Frs Justin Driscoll, Anthony Nagothu, Sajan Matreuw

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Sunday May 6th 2018 6th Sunday of Easter



Recent Deaths: Gerald Dobson, Mary De Graaf

Anniversaries: Geoff Bruty, Mary Casanova, Jack & Mary Fay, Peter Hammond, Kathleen Lynch, Nora Mulcahy, John O'Brien, Wendy Shea, Sr Veronica Sproules, Joseph Van der Lindon, Dominic Varghese.

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially

Margaret Cranko, Nancy Hand, Milly Yeoman

Next week's readings: *Sunday May 13th 2018* *6th Sunday of Easter (B)*

Acts 1:1-11 Ps 46:2-3. 6-9. R. v.6 Ephesians 1:17-23 Mark 16:15-20

Masses May 12th/13th 6.30pm Smythesdale 8.30am Beaufort 10.30am Snake Valley

May 19th/20th 6.30pm Smythesdale 9.00am Skipton 10.30am Rokewood

Proposed Independent School

Information sessions on the proposed leasing of the Linton Presbytery for an Independent School under the patronage of Our Lady of Fatima, proposed to open in 2019 for years Prep-10, subject to VRQA approval. Information sessions after parish Masses on the weekends of 5th/6th and 12th/13th of May to share our plans for the Linton Presbytery with parishioners. Building plans and a list of questions and answers will be available at the sessions, and are available on our website now, at <http://frassatiballarat.net.au>.

We also welcome email contact via admin@frassatiballarat.net.au

Nazareth House Auxiliary

Fundraising concert, featuring Regina Caeli Choir & Kerin and Kyle. Sunday 20th May at 1.45pm. Nazareth House Mill St. \$20 Adults \$25 family (afternoon tea included) Tickets at the door or call Margaret on 5332 4454 or Pat on 5332 4543

Mass Count starts on weekend May 12th – 13th

The Annual Diocesan Mass Count will take place over 4 weekends in May/June. It will start on 12-13 May (Week 2 of May) with the Count being done on Weeks 2, 3 and 4 of May and then Week 1 of June

Joy Spreading! New social gathering for young adults

New from Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry. **Joy Spreading** is a regular social gathering for young adults 18-30yo. With a short presentation from guest speaker, Q&A, informal conversation and socialising, meal available if you wish. Come along Friday 25 May, 6pm onwards, Lake View Hotel, Ballarat. Free entry. More information www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or 5337 7160.

This is a Year of Youth initiative, '*Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy*'.

St Alipius Parish Coordinator Position

St Alipius Parish Ballarat East invites applications for the part-time position (16 hours per week) of Parish Coordinator. A Position Description and Application Form can be accessed on the Parish website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/employment.

WYD 2019 Pilgrimage to Panama – update!

Calling for pilgrims! The Ballarat diocese WYD Pilgrimage to Panama will travel to Costa Rica for 'Days in the Diocese' then on to Panama City for WYD events with Pope Francis then a retreat by the Pacific Ocean. 16 January - 1 February 2019 for 18-35 year olds. Registration costs will be available very soon. Please let us know if you are interested in going p: 5337 7125 or e:

youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au More Pilgrimage information is on the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

