

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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SATURDAY (A)

July 29th 2017

THE YEAR OF MERCY

BULLETIN NOTICES

Please forward any notices for the bulletin to Lara Thompson

By Thursday 5pm

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NEXT WEEKS MASS TIMES

1st SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**SUNDAY, 10.0 A.M. –
CHARLTON**

**SUNDAY, 8.30 AM. –
WEDDERBURN**

**SATURDAY, 7.00 P.M. –
ST. ARNAUD**

**SUNDAY, 10.30 A.M. –
DONALD**

*Lay Led Liturgy

RECONCILIATION
on request

NEXT WEEKENDS MASS ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: Marg Fradd*√

Franci Laynon*√ Marg McGrath* Nursing Home

READERS: Jo Russell

PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL:

PROCESSION OF GIFTS: Jo & Bill Russell

ALTAR SERVERS: Abby & Nick Thompson

FLOWERS: Val Bourke

HOME VISITING: Sandra Patton

COUNTERS: This week: Des & Franci Lanyon

Next week: Brian & Dawn Mulquiny

CHURCH CLEANING: S. Patton, M. Thompson, R. Heenan

St. Joseph's Parish will be celebrating Father Paul's 80th birthday on Sunday, 20th August after 10.30am mass in the multipurpose room at St. Joseph's School. A casserole luncheon and sweets to share with all. (Each family is to bring a casserole or a sweet.) For further information ring Julie, 54912484. Please put your name on the list in the foyer to let us know what you are bringing.

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Foundation

In June the foundation held its 31st Annual General Meeting, so it is timely to remind parishioners of the purpose of the Foundation and to update the diocese on the activities of the Foundation during 2016 (information attached). Grant information and application forms are available from the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide Proposals

In April this year, the bishops of Victoria published a pastoral letter in response to proposals to introduce legislation allowing euthanasia and assisted suicide. As a follow-up to that letter, a group of lay people has prepared a flyer encouraging people to write to parliamentarians and express their opposition to such legislation. Copies of the flyer have been made available for your consideration. You are invited to write to parliamentarians as suggested.

OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

- MICHAEL MCGRATH
- MICHAEL FITZPATRICK
- KEVIN MULQUINY
- MOIRA PATTON
- LUCY RYAN

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

- BAILEY DELANEY
- VIN SAIT
- FR JOHN KEANE
- IAN BRUNS
- JACK ROSS

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL **REUNION**

Celebrating 120 years of **Catholic Education in** **Charlton on Show** **Weekend, 21st & 22nd** **October 2017.**

Do You Remember?

“Representatives of nine schools met at Birchip on Sunday for the first combined Catholic Schools’ Sports. There were over 1500 children present in one of the largest gatherings of this nature to be held in the northern area.

Schools participating included Charlton, Wycheproof, Birchip, Kerang, Warracknabeal, Sea Lake, St

Arnaud and Ouyen. The Senior Section was won by Ouyen, while the Junior Section went to Warracknabeal.” (Charlton Tribune 14/04/1961)

***Wanted:** School Day Recollections / Reminiscences from 1995 to the present day. We have a collection from 1895 – 1995 but would be pleased if people who attended the school from 1995 to the present day could write down a few thoughts.

The Archbishop’s Dinner Invitation

The Archbishop’s Dinner is hosted by the Knights of the Southern Cross annually to raise funds for the education of Victoria’s seminarians, and the further education of our priests, and the monies raised are divided equally between the Archdiocese of Melbourne, the Dioceses of Sandhurst, Sale and Ballarat, and the Military Ordinariate of Australia. Over the past 18 Dinners held, over \$1 million has been raised for this cause. Brochure attached.

Private Board Required

Private board is required in Ballarat for four nights a week, Monday – Thursday for a female. If you are able to assist please email rdam@badac.onmicrosoft.com

Deaf Catholic Conference

The Deaf Catholic Conference will be open to all Deaf and hearing people who work in the pastoral care fields within the Deaf Community and for the Deaf community members themselves. It will be an opportunity for Deaf Catholics to experience their faith in their natural language – Auslan. The conference will be held on Monday, August 21 – Wednesday, August 23 2017 (following an Ephpheta Church Service and lunch on Sunday, August 20, 2017). The theme is “Our Community of Faith - Reflect, Embrace and Nurture’. Conference flyer attached.

ACYF 2017

Registrations for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival are already over 80% capacity and Early Bird Registrations close on 18 August. The Festival is 7-9 December 2017, for Year 9-30 yo. Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry has secured accommodation in Sydney and bus transport there and back. Please contact Amanda soon to ‘book in’ your group. If you are not yet part of a group, we can help – contact Amanda youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or 0427 748 867. More information on www.ballarat.catholic.org.au / Youth and Young Adult pages.

