

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING:	<i>Reading of the Day</i>	<i>Sit</i>
RESPONSORIAL PSALM:	<i>Psalm and Response of the Day</i>	
SECOND READING:	<i>Reading of the Day</i>	
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:	<i>As in the Lectionary</i>	<i>Stand</i>
GOSPEL:	<i>Gospel of the Day</i>	
SHARED REFLECTION		<i>Sit</i>
PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED		<i>Stand</i>

Leader: Let us now stand and profess our shared faith:

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, *(all bow)* born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried, he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

COLLECTION	<i>Sit</i>
PRAYER OF PRAISE	<i>Stand</i>

Leader: Let us now stand and praise God who is the source of our faith.
My spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

All: My spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

Leader: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my saviour, for he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.

All: My spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

Leader: From this day all generations will call me blessed: The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

All: My spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

Leader: He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.

All: My spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

Leader: He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

All: My spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

Leader: He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and he has lifted up the lowly.

All: My spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

Leader: He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

All: My spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

Leader: He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever.

All: My spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

Leader: We give glory to the One God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER / PRAYER FOR PEACE / ADMONITION TO UNITY *Kneel*

RECEPTION OF COMMUNION / COMMUNION SONG

COMMUNION REFLECTION or PERIOD OF SILENCE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *Stand*

PRAYER FOR THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE OF BALLARAT

All: Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have received all the gifts we enjoy. As we mark the 150th anniversary of our Diocese of Ballarat, we give thanks for the blessings bestowed upon us. We recognise the communities who have lived on this land from ancient times. We honour the Aboriginal peoples, here for tens of thousands of years. We honour those who came from overseas and settled here before our diocese began. Yet our anniversary shines a special light on our years as the Diocese of Ballarat, a community of communities from the Murray to the sea.

All: We remember those who have gone before us, those who laid the foundations of our parish and school communities and our social services and health care. We acknowledge the strengths and weaknesses of our history. We celebrate the achievements and we ask pardon for the failures to live our Christian faith to the full. May this anniversary year be a season of renewal for our diocese. Inspired by the Gospel and nourished in the Eucharist, may we follow the example of Jesus and the guidance of your Holy Spirit. May we reach out in humble service, welcoming all and caring for all creation. May we grow in love day by day. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of Perpetual Help. Pray for us. Saint Patrick. Pray for us. Saint Mary MacKillop. Pray for us.

CONCLUDING RITE

GREETING, BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Let us bow our heads in silence and ask God to bless us.

May God the Father almighty bless us.

May Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, graciously smile upon us.

May the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, grant us peace.

All: Amen.

Leader: May almighty God bless us, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

All: Thanks be to God.

FINAL HYMN

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SUNDAY ASSEMBLY OF WORD AND COMMUNION

SUNDAYS 22-33 IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 2024

150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE OF BALLARAT

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GATHERING HYMN

Stand

GREETING & WELCOME

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: Blessed be the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the way, the truth and the life.
Bless the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

OPENING RITE

Penitential Rite OR Gloria

Leader: With people everywhere, let us glorify our God in joyful praise.

**All: Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER