**ROSTERS:** 

LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

This Week (August 19)

Readers: Kate Vance/J Murphy Procession of Gifts: D & M Browne

Ext Minister: K Vance

Next Week (August 26) Readers: M Browne/J Browne

Procession of Gifts: BG & W Browne

Ext Minister: J Murphy

Church Care: August 25 K Vance Church Grounds— AUGUST—J Browne

**STAWELL:** 

This Week (August 18) 6.00PM

Welcomer: M Cray

T Brady/N Rathgeber Readers: Ext. Ministers: D Jones/P Price Procession of Gifts: J Croton

(August 19) 10.30AM

Readers: H Potter/K Dallinger

Ext Ministers: F Harney/T Wait/G Comitti

Procession of Gifts: L & M Habben

Next Week (August 25) 6.00PM

Welcomer: D McIntosh

**Readers:** J Raeburn/L McIntyre Ext. Ministers: C Barker/L Moloney Procession of Gifts: M, H, J, A Smith

(August 26) 10.30AM

Readers: T Wait/K Dalton

Ext. Ministers: H Potter/S Enriquez/G Little

Procession of Gifts: P Gooden

Counters: Today: J Raeburn Next Week: M & L Habben

**ALTAR SOCIETY:** Liz & Kay

MARY'S STATUE: Aug 19-25 G & G Pickering; 26—

Sept 1 ET Driscoll

Extraordinary Ministers, part of your duty is to clean the Sacred Vessels in the sacristy after Mass and prepare them for the next

Mass—fill wine and water cruets, etc. Put filled cruets in the fridge.

### WEEKEND MASSES YEAR B:

Stawell: Saturday 6.00pm Sunday at 10.30am.

Landsborough: Sunday Mass at 8.30am.

### WEEKDAY MASSES (YEAR 2):

Tues; Wed; Thurs; Fri 10.00am. 2nd & 4th Wednesday of Month-Eventide-10.30am. (Check front of Bulletin for any changes to this routine. Funeral Masses take the place of weekday Mass)

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

Stawell: 1st & 3rd Saturday 10.00 am, before or after each weekday Mass (by request) or by appointment at any time. At Landsborough:

Before 8.20 am Sundays

### **MEETINGS & GATHERINGS:**

Prayer Group: every Monday, 1.30pm. Cuppa tea Stawell—2nd Sunday after Mass: Landsborough—3rd Sunday after Mass. St Vincent de Paul: 2nd & 4th Mondays

2.30pm in Parish Hall.

CWL: 3rd Wednesday commencing

with 10.00am Mass.

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Stavell-Glenorchy-Great Western-Kalls Gap-Landsborough-

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### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

**Doris Woolley** 

### FR ERIC'S HOLIDAYS:

I will be leaving for holidays after Masses on August 26, and will both through their teaching at St be away for three Sundays. Fr John Pothiyittel will supply for Masses in my absence. As Fr John expects everything to be done for him in preparing for Mass I am asking for volunteers among Ministers and others to help in getting things ready for Mass. This will include setting up the data projector, etc. Please see Fr Eric if you are prepared to learn how do these things.. Thank you.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING:

Monday, 2.30pm in church hall.

## MARY MACKILLOP TODAY AP-PEAL:

Many of you remember with affection the work of the Josephite Sisters here in the Stawell Parish, Pat's School, and their Pastoral Ministry.

Mary Mackillop Today supports thousand of people in Australia and overseas in education, health, financial inclusion and livelihoods opportunities bringing hope to communities for generations to come. Envelopes are available for a one off contribution or for a regular donation. Please give generously if you can see your way clear. There is a brochure available in the church today, addressing this

#### SICK LIST

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seeary; Lourdes dela Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; Lynn Wright; John Jess; Simon Monas; Angela Moore; Jeff O'Donnell; Peter Duffy (Canada); Nance Rutter; Kate Sargent, Yvonne & Alf Evans; Margaret Boaq; Nigel James (Canberra), Ian Kindred, Sharron Pickerina: Andrew Van Diesen: Beniamin Wolfson: Bernie O'Callaahan: Patty Fenwick; Robby Laxton; Nicole Lee (Horsham); Dominic Browne; Brian O'Loughlin, Beryl Walsh; Shirley Gerritsen; Margaret Walker; Jordan Young; Steven Oates

NB: A FAMILY MEMBER OF THE SICK PERSON MUST CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO HAVE NAMES ADDED.

appeal. Please take one home. Thank you.

## **FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:**

Presbytery Collection \$ 409.80 Parish Collection: \$ 555.50 Loose Collection: \$ 105.70 Collection is for the clergy stipend, presbytery costs and support of the bishop and sick and retired priests. The 2nd collection is for the upkeep of the parish.

### **THIS WEEK:**

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK: Tues, Thurs, Fri 10.00am Wed, Eventide, 10.30am

WEDNESDAY - <u>CENTERING</u>
<u>PRAYER</u> IN THE PARISH HALL,
2.00PM.

CONFESSIONS —Before or after 10.00am weekday Masses by request (i.e. — just ask Fr Eric.); 10.00am 1st & 3rd Saturdays;

Landsborough—before Sunday Mass.

Any other time contact Fr Eric 0419 597 063

### **HUMOUR:**

## Prospecting for the Lord

On a sunny Sunday afternoon, two young church members were going door to door to invite people to visit their services. When they knocked on one door, it was immediately clear the woman who answered was not happy to see them. She told them in no uncertain terms that she did not want to hear their message, and before they could say anything more, she slammed the door in their faces.

To her surprise, however, the door did not close; in fact, it bounced back open. She tried again, really putting her back into it, and slammed it again with the same result - the door bounced back open.

Convinced these rude young people were sticking their foot in her door, she reared back to give it a slam that would teach them a lesson. Just then, one of them said quietly: "Ma'am, before you do that again, you really need to move your cat."

#### **NEWS:**



# SENATE REJECTS 'STATE-SUPPORTED SUICIDE'

Published: 16 August 2018

The Senate last night (Wednesday) rejected a bid to allow territories to pass euthanasia laws in what is seen as a showdown on the possibility of federal right-to-die laws. Source: News.com.au.

It was a narrow loss, 36-34. The "no" vote was made up of seven Labor senators, 28 government and four cross-benchers.

The "yes" voters were 16 Labor senators, four

government, eight Greens and six cross-benchers.

The bill had been sponsored by Liberal Democrat David Leyonhjelm and was aimed at overturning a Commonwealth veto of the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory passing their own euthanasia laws, as Victoria has.

Liberal Senator for Tasmania Eric Abetz said if it had been successful the bill would have "led to state-supported suicide in the ACT and Northern Territory".

"The thoughtful and articulate contributions from my parliamentary colleagues, from across the political divide, to oppose state-supported suicide have been welcome and I am pleased that so many colleagues have been open minded to the clear evidence against the bill," he said in a statement.

"Tonight's clear vote in the Senate will settle this matter for a generation."

Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull had previously said if he was a senator he would vote against it.

But three of the four government supporters of the bill were front benchers — Defence Minister Marise Payne, Education Minister Simon Birmingham, and Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion. Communication Minister Mitch Fifield voted against it.

"Victoria made a mistake. And I don't want to see other jurisdictions make the same mistake. I can't do anything about what states may do, but I can around what territories do," Senator Fifield told the Senate.

Senator Leyonhjelm said he was disappointed, but would continue "for the rights of all Australians to decide how and when to end their lives as a key Liberal Democrat policy".

### SCRIPTURE REFLECTION:

When I was a boy (is it so long ago?) it was still the rule at Mass that only the priest drank from the chalice. One of the great actions of the Church over the last fifty years has been the recovery of the ancient practice of offering Holy Communion under the appearance of both bread and wine.

The reception of both the consecrated bread and the consecrated wine is in perfect harmony with today's Gospel: 'Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life.' Note the present tense: 'has' – right now! This is because, as St John Paul II put it: 'We digest, as it were, the secret of the Resurrection.'

Of course, Our Risen Lord is really present under the appearance of either the bread or the wine. For a Jew, (unlike the Greeks) the body was absolutely core to being the person one is. For a Jew, blood was identified as the life-force of any animal. So, for the Jewish Jesus, to say 'This is my body... this is my blood' was to gift us his core identity, his deepest vitality. Either the consecrated bread or consecrated wine gives us His whole life.

But to receive both the Heavenly Bread and the Spiritual Drink does enable us to more fully respond to Our Lord at the Last Supper: 'Take, eat ... take, drink'. Then the words of today's Gospel can more physically resonate in our own bodies: 'He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I in him.'

We could take a moment to pray in thanksgiving that we are able to join in the tradition starting with the Apostles at the Last Supper and, in doing so, to enter into Holy Communion with the only One who can embody in us the secret of His resurrection.

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