



Lifeline: 131114 **Ararat Police:** 5355 1500 **Sexual Assault Crisis line:** 1800 806 292

Counselling service: Relationships Australia – 1800 052 674

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Towards Healing – 1800 099 340

Examen

There is a beautiful video by Vinita Wright (just 1 minute) that begins, "In the spring it is my job to envision fruitfulness and commit to it ... to participate in the world waking up ..."

Google "examen the tasks of spring"

East Timor -Last Sunday Casey Baxter spoke about her hope to purchase computers for the villagers in Remexio. For those wishing to donate Casey has given us the following information:

Direct Deposit: Supporting Remexio / BSB: 083-526 / Acc No: 77-443-5729

info: caseantbaxter@gmail.com www.chuffed.org/project/remexio

BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND

Collection for Sick and Retired Priests – next weekend

Creating a secure retirement future for the priests of the diocese is a duty and care in which we can all participate. Eighteen retired priests are currently supported by this Fund. Some live privately, some are retired in units in Ballarat or elsewhere, others live in supported accommodation.

The funding required for these commitments is ongoing. Thanks to your generosity, this collection has raised nearly 1.7 million dollars since it began in 1991, including nearly \$67,000 last year. Along with the priests' own contribution of approximately \$40,000 per year, this annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy.

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US – THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY

Retreat with Fr Brendan Murphy SDB -Fr Brendan Murphy SDB will conduct a Retreat at Nazareth House all day on Thursday and Friday and on Saturday morning, September 24, 25 and 26. He will ask us to consider, "Who are we, Where are we going, and How will we get there?" More details later. To register interest please contact Maureen van der Linden, ph. 0431 273 953 or email mojo6163@hotmail.com
Catholic Womens' League.

Nazareth House Auxiliary Coffee Party -Nazareth House Auxiliary will be hosting a Coffee Party on Friday, September 4, 2015 at 1.30pm in the Nazareth House Hall, Ballarat. Admission cost is \$5.00 per person.

Sacred Heart College Ballarat Reunion – Class of 1965

A gathering is being planned for the Sacred Heart College, Ballarat class of 1965 and anyone who was part of this class from Year 7, 1960 to matriculation in 1965, on November 7, 2015 at the Barkly, Main Road, Ballarat at 12.00noon. For further information contact Jan Mullaly (Favaloro), email janmull65@gmail.com, ph. 0418 522180 or Carmel Frost (Frith) email carmel@frost.net.au or Anne Mibus (Watt) email annemibus@me.com



22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B **30th August 2015**

As we celebrate, we acknowledge the Indigenous owners of the land on which The Church of The Immaculate Conception is built, the Tjapwuring people, and we respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

FIRST READING

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8

You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you – keep the commands of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 14:2-5, R. v.1

(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart. *(R.)*
2. He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. *(R.)*
3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. *(R.)*

SECOND READING

Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Be doers of the word.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jas 1:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Jn 6:60-69

Lord, whom shall we go to? You have the words of everlasting life.

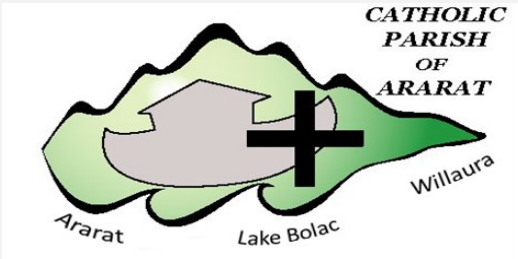
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PARISH PRAYER

**Loving God, Good Shepherd of us all,
gather us and form us into a welcoming Parish family.
Touch our hearts with your love so that we, in turn, may reach out in love
to one another, In a neighbourly community.
We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.
Amen.**

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, ARARAT, ST. BERNARD'S, LAKE BOLAC,
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Fr Andrew Hayes Email andrew.hayes@ballarat.catholic.org.au

OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday: 8.30 am - 4.30 pm
Friday: 8.30 am - 4.30 pm

ARARAT MASS PROGRAMME FOR THIS WEEK

Now that we are into Spring, Masses will return to the Church. We will praise God for the warmth!

TUESDAY 1st	5.00 pm	Mass in Church
WEDNESDAY 2nd	9.30 am	Mass in Church
THURSDAY 3rd	9.30 am	Mass in Church
FRIDAY 4th	6.00 pm	Hopkins Correctional Centre
SATURDAY 5th	6.00 pm	Ararat
SUNDAY 6th	8.30 am	Lake Bolac
	10.30 am	Ararat

A VOCATION VIEW

Thank God our struggles of faith can be ultimately overcome through prayer, perseverance and love. 'Do what the word tells you.' Be doers of the word.

“Mary’s life show that God accomplishes great deeds through those who are most humble.”
-Pope Francis @Pontiflex 15th August 2015

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The latest issue of Kairos is now available at the back of the church. \$2 each.
Featuring “Homelessness: We can do better.”
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RECENT DEATHS:

Des Tait

ANNIVERSARIES:

John Keogh, Lawrence Keogh, Dominic Keogh, Irene Hockley, Kathleen Kennedy, Leo Stevens Jnr, Fr John Shelley, Harriet O'Boyle, Vincent Kennedy, Belinda Hearn, Mary Canty
Martin Downes, Karen Vann, Gayle Harris, Patrick Harrington
Lisa Van Der Spank,

Amy Dempsey, Arthur Clark, Frank Fitzpatrick, Norman Leggett
Neil Byrne, Kath Walker, Annie McNamara, John McMillan,
Rose Kennedy, Kevin Cronin, Eileen Brown, John Goulter
Freda Ferguson, Rita Fernando

SICK:

Gita Egan (and baby),
Barry Wilson, Shirley Billet,
Bernard Joyce

THIS WEEK 29th/30th

FACILITATOR

SAT: Bill Slater SUN: Kaye Chamings

READERS

SAT: Ian Brady SUN: Vin Hooper

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SAT: L.Horsman, A.M. Joyce, J. Start
SUN : M. Cunningham, K. Chamings

COUNTERS

The Reynold's Family, Tom Rees

GOLDEN GATE COMMUNION

Teresa

FLOWERS Mary Cunningham

CHURCH CLEANING

Libby Shea, Marg Ryan

WELCOMERS

SAT: Margaret Ryan
SUN: B. Harrington & S. Pickering

LAKE BOLAC

READER: L. Breen

PRAYERS: D. Haslett

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: John Higgins

CLEANING: H. Smith

NEXT WEEK 5th/6th

FACILITATOR

SAT: Peter Gemmola SUN: Greg Carroll

READERS

SAT: Peter Brady SUN: Matt de Jong

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SAT: G. North, T. Gemmola, H. Collins
SUN : G. O'Loughlan, N. Billingsley

COUNTERS

I. Brady, P. Gemmola, L.Styles

GOLDEN GATE COMMUNION

Margaret

FLOWERS Mary Cunningham

CHURCH CLEANING

Jewell Start, Pauline Weeks

WELCOMERS

SAT: Margaret Ryan
SUN: Lupe and David Anderson

LAKE BOLAC

READER: R. Phillips

PRAYERS: V. Albert

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: L. Breen

CLEANING: J. Aldous

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Sacramental Program -We will be holding a Morning tea next Sunday 6th September after 10.30 am mass for the children preparing to make their Sacraments to meet with Parishioners. It would be great to see many of you there.

Combined Fellowship Afternoon Tea.

Members of the Ararat Uniting Church Fellowship invite you to a Combined Fellowship Afternoon tea on Thursday 10th September 2015 at 2.00pm at the St Andrew's Meeting Room. We hope all your Ladies will be able to join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship.

Please R.S.V.P to Anna Collins by 2nd September on 5352 4420

INVITATION

On Sunday 13th September Fr Hugh Thomas CSsR will celebrate 10.30am Mass to commemorate the 50th Jubilee of his ordination here in Ararat. After Mass there will be a light luncheon in the Parish Community Centre celebrating Fr Hugh's jubilee and the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Kevin and Anne-Marie Joyce. The Thomas and Joyce families would love you to share this celebration with them.

For catering purposes please reply to Anne-Marie and Kevin 53521962, 0408240004 or email justgrannal@gmail.com by 1st September if able to attend.