**ROSTERS:** 

## LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

This Week (October 23)

**Readers:** M Browne/C Browne **Procession of Gifts:** R & C Brown

Ext Minister: C Browne

Next Week (October 30 ) Readers: J Murphy/J Browne Procession of Gifts: J & C Browne

Ext Minister: B Amarant

Church Care: B O'Callaghan
Church Grounds— October R Brown

STAWELL:

This Week (October 22) 7.00PM

Welcomer: M Rogers

Readers: J Raeburn/N Rathgeber Ext. Ministers: J Obi/L Moloney Procession of Gifts: P Price

(October 23) 10.30am

Readers: K Dallinger/J Van Diesen

Ext. Ministers: G Comitti/S Enriquez/K Dalton

Procession of Gifts: L & M Habben

Next Week (October 29) 7.00PM

Welcomer: S Blake

Readers: D Jones/T Brady

Ext. Ministers: N Rathaeber/J Raeburn

Procession of Gifts: | Robinson

10.30AM (October 30)
Readers: M R Thomas/S Little
Ext Ministers: G Little/M Rowe/F Harney
Procession of Gifts: Cain/Rutter Family

Counters: Today: M & L Habben Next Week: T & A Ellis

Altar Society: October 15 — Working bee—

9.30am

MARY'S STATUE: October 23-29 Smith Family.

Any queries relating to rosters and volunteers please contact June Raeburn on 53583506.

# READERS PLEASE RETURN THE BOOKS TO THE SACRISTY AFTER MASS.

Extraordinary Ministers, please clean Sacred Vessels after Mass and prepare for the next Mass—fill wine and water cruets, etc.

#### **WEEKEND MASSES YEAR B:**

**Stawell:** Saturday at 7.00pm (Summer time—Daylight Saving), 6.00pm (wintertime—end of Daylight Saving)) Sunday at 10.30am.

Landsborough: Sunday Mass at 8.30am.

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES (YEAR 1):**

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

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

Stawell: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 10.00 am, 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 Tuesdays 2.00pm in Parish Hall.

CWL: 3rd Wednesday commencing with 10.00am Mass.

Scripture reflection group Thursday 2.00pm in the presbytery.

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# St Patrick's Parish Community

Stawell-Glenorchy-Great Western-Kalls Gap-Landsborough-Navarre

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C

October 23, 2016

# **SUNDAY MISSAL** Pg. 953

# **ANNIVERSARIES**

Father Frank Monaghan, Hugh Amarant, Peter Scarsi, Elsie Dalziel, Bridget Pickering, Vera Wheeler and Bob Boag

ECUMENICAL SERVICE AT THE SALVATION ARMY CITADEL, MAIN STREET: next Sunday at 5.00pm

# CONGRATULATIONS SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL AND CWL MEMBERS CELEBRATING 60 YEARS IN STAWELL.

At 10.30am Mass this weekend, and the luncheon following, we remember the extraordinary works done by members of these organisations over the past sixty years in Stawell

I believe that St Vincent de Paul was established as a men's group and of course, the CWL as the parish ladies group. The work of both groups within the parish is well recognized and much appreciated even beyond the catholic environs.

A VERY SPECIAL WELCOME TO VISITORS FROM OTHER PARISHES AND FROM OUR SISTER CHURCHES IN STAWELL, HERE TO CELEBRATE WITH OUR CWL AND ST V DE P MEMBERS.

# **RETURN OF KEYS:**

Catholic Church Insurances insists that each parish have a key register. It appears that a number of people have keys to sheds, buildings, Church, that they do not need. Please return any keys to Fr Eric or Gloria Pickering at your convenience.

HELP REQUIRED: We are looking for some willing volunteers to work at our Op Shop in Main St. This shop is vital for raising funds for the upkeep of the parish. People prepared to give a few hours a week to serve in the shop and to sort and size clothing for sale would be most welcome. Please contact Fr Eric if you can help.

## SICK LIST

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seeary; Lourdes dela Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; Lynn Wright; Laurie Healey; John Jess; Simon Monas, Wendy Shea; Angela Moore; Jeff O'Donnell; Peter Duffy (Canada); Margaret McIntyre; Nance Rutter; Theresa Ellis (Edinburgh); Kate Sargent, Yvonne & Alf Evans; Margaret Boag; Nigel James (Canberra), Ian Kindred, John Coghlan (Shepparton); June McKee (Mother of Anglican Deacon Heather Scott); Terry Bartlett (WA); Sharron Pickering.

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

# ROSTERS READY TO PICK UP AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH TODAY.

#### **HOSPITALIZED AND HOUSEBOUND:**

Families of people who need Communion are reminded that they need to contact the parish office to make arrangements.



WANTED: Ground cover plants for the church garden if anyone is trimming or thinning out their garden. Would be much appreciated. But please no pig face.

# **FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:**

Presbytery Collection: \$561.70
Parish Collection: \$761.00
Loose Collection: \$140.30
(1st 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:

MASSES THIS WEEK: Mass Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 10.00am

THURSDAY— Scripture Reflection—2.00PM IN PRESBYTERY.

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 by appointment.

### **HUMOUR:**

Recently a large seminar was held for ministers in training. Among the guests were many well-known motivational speakers. One such boldly approached the pulpit and, gathering the entire crowd's attention, said, "The best years of my life were spent in the arms of a woman that wasn't my wife!" The crowd was shocked! He followed up by saying, "And that woman was my mother!" The crowd burst into laughter and he gave his speech, which went over well.

About a week later one of the assistant ministers who had attended the seminar decided to use that joke in what was his first sermon to the congregation. As he shyly approached the pulpit one Sunday, he tried to rehearse the joke in his head. He was notably very nervous and getting to the microphone he said loudly, "The greatest years of my life were spent in the arms of another woman that was not my wife!" His congregation sat shocked.

After standing there for almost 10 seconds the pastor finally blurted out, "...and I can't remember who she was!"

# **NEWS:**

# POPE GRAFFITI ERASED HOURS AFTER APPEARING ON ROME STREET

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residents of a busy street near the Vatican woke yesterday to the sight of Pope Francis perched atop a ladder playing a game of noughts and crosses "for peace" on a wall. As soon as word of the graffiti got out, public workers rushed to erase it. Rome Reports has the story.

Residents of the area around Borgo Pio, however, were not completely unfamiliar with the sight, since the artist behind the graffiti is Maupal, who has already depicted Pope Francis on the walls of this street in the past.

Several were disappointed to see it removed. "It is a shame that they erased it, because it is a good painting, a beauty, and the person who did it had the best intentions. Well painted, detailed ... You know? A thing of beauty, it was not ugly at all," said one resident.

Others say the area is full of offensive graffiti which nobody has bothered to clean up. "It makes me sad, because it represents world peace, which we need so badly and for which our Pope fights so adamantly.

"We could erase the one on the other side that doesn't belong, but art such as this, it is only right that they leave it."

## **SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**

It is very easy for religious people to fall into a kind of self-righteousness. Their very enthusiasm and generosity can plant the seeds of religious arrogance. They know what commitment demands of them; they experience relative success in their endeavours to be faithful; they distance themselves from what they think might threaten their resolve; and then they pass judgment on those who do not share their values or experience their success. This kind of arrogance is often imperceptible, because there is enough truth in every step along the way that it is difficult to recognise when one is veering off the track.

Jesus extols the humility of the one who admits being a sinner, and can accept the implications of that admission. This is the kind of prayer that is described in the reading from Sirach and the psalm response. It is those who can admit that they are needy who turn to God in that need. It is those who trust that God will be their strength in the face of their weaknesses who are strengthened.

Paul's own prayer demonstrates the attitudes that should be ours as we pray. Like the Pharisee, he acknowledges his success. He has competed well; he has finished the course; he has kept the faith. However, unlike the Pharisee, he acknowledges that God is the source of any good he has been able to accomplish. The Lord stood by him and gave him strength. If there is any glory, it belongs to God. Paul's confident prayer springs from a humble heart.

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