MEETINGS & EVENTS

Grandmothers Group

The GMG will meet on Wednesday August 10th at the Ararat Hotel for 12 noon to celebrate St. Anne. Please RSVP before <u>Tuesday 9th</u> to either Mary Cunningham on 53522060 or Bernadette Harrington on 53523220 so they know numbers. Thank you

Farewell for Rev Colin Honey

All parishioners are invited to a farewell for Rev Colin Honey at the uniting Church on Sunday August 21. Service at 11.30 followed by shared lunch. RSVP araratunitingchurch@gmail.com or Kim Hartwich 53 544218

CWL

The next meeting for the Ararat CWL will be on Tuesday August 9th at 1.30pm in the Parish Centre.

St Vincent de Paul Society

A significant number of our clients have expressed a desire for assistance with household budgeting. To address this need we are planning to offer sessions at our Relief Centre at O'Collins Hall on Tuesdays. Clients would meet by appointment with two volunteers. Please note this is not financial planning and all volunteers would be provided with training via the program, "Where Did All The Money Go?" designed to give volunteers knowledge of what practical assistance can be offered to people living on low incomes. If you feel that you would be interested in being part of this new and exciting initiative, you are invited to an information session at O'Collins Hall, Dawson Street, Ballarat on Wednesday, August 10 at 1.00pm. For further information contact Mary McAloon, ph. 0419 897 345

St Mary's Church Hamilton 150th Anniversary

All are invited to celebrate the 150th anniversary of St Mary's Church Hamilton on the weekend on August 13 & 14, 2016. A celebration dinner will be held on Saturday, August 13 and Mass will be held on Sunday, August 14 at 10.30am. A complimentary lunch will follow the blessing of a commemorative stone. History tours and displays will also be a feature on the weekend. Dinner bookings can be made via www.trybooking.com/KIZP (follow this link – Celebration Dinner 150 Yrs – St Marys) or phone the Parish Office, ph. 5571 1161. For enquiries contact Anne Slattery, ph. 5570 8210 or 0418 370 539. Invitation on Church Notice board

'Staggering' and unjust indigenous jail rates

The staggering situation of Indigenous people who are in jail, despite the 1991 Royal Commission (25 years ago) follows Audrey Brown's Director's report of NAIDOC (National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee) Week. This brief is an invitation to see, and judge, before you decide on how you can act to this alarming situation and what is "becoming a national emergency for our Justice system". Flyer on Church Notice Board

"Bombs, blasphemy and religion in Pakistan" Presentation

Presentation by Fr Robert McCulloch on Friday, August 19, 2016 at Nazareth House, Ballarat. Mass at 6.00pm in the Chapel. Presentation at 7.00pm in the Hall, followed by supper. For further information contact Carmel Kavanagh, ph. 0401 175045 or 03 5332 2103 or email annekav123@yahoo.co.uk. Flyer on the Church notice board.

Church Toilets

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

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



Sunday, 7th August 2016 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

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

First Reading Wis 18:6-9

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:1. 12. 18-20. 22. R. v.12

- (R.) Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.
- 1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. (R.)
- 2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
- 3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

Second Reading Heb 11:1-2, 8-19

Gospel Acclamation Mt 24:42. 44

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: You know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 12:32-48

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RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

William Oliver, Jan Tutton, Edward Byrne, Lola Lindholm Danny Pollock, May Lenehan, Eliza O'Connor, Emma James, Sr Denise Allen C.S.B, Jeff Slatter, Beverley Austin, Vin Fagan, John Hogan, Ralph Brown, Leslie Shevlin, Fr Tom Kiniry, Con McDermott, Len Christian

Denise Fromager, Irene Jenkinson, Thomas Mullins, Patrick Mullins and Mary-Anne McInnes

SICK:

Margaret Kidd, Wendy Shea, Fr. Brendan Davey, Frank Dempsey, Maurice Rutter, Shirley Billet (thank you for your continued prayers), Kerrie Mulcahy, Natasha Martens.

<u>Hospital:</u> If you are in hospital and would like to receive Communion, could a family member please contact the office.

Please Pray for the Intentions of: Libby Shea

Baptisms: Welcome to the World!

Confirmations & First Communions:

Prayer of Pope Francis for the Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ,

you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

Show us your face and we will be saved.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing,

so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord,

and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor,

proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind. Amen

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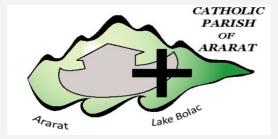
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

<u>Ararat</u> <u>Lake Bolac</u>

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 10.30am 8.30am

2nd Sunday of Every Month 8.30am Lay Assembly

Wed 10th 9am Convent

(Note change of time)

Thurs 11th 9.30am Convent

A VOCATION VIEW

Where is your treasure? There is your heart! Have you considered that God's will is your treasure for you? Come, follow Him!

Welcome!

Welcome to all the folks here for the Liturgy day and to Bishop Bird

"You pray for the hungry. Then you feed them. That's how prayer works."

Read more at more at -Pope Francis @Pontifex 2016

St. Mary's Parish

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PARISH PRIEST: Fr Andrew Hayes
PRINCIPAL ST. MARY'S SCHOOL: Mr Tom Hogan
PRINCIPAL MARIAN COLLEGE: Mrs Carmel Barker
PARISH SECRETARY: Ms Joyce Clery



HANDBAGS WANTED!

If anyone has a bag/s or backpack in good condition for me to fill with everyday essentials for homeless men and women to be given out for Christmas (Collection is by end of October), please hand them in to Joyce at the Parish Office. For more information as to what could go into the bag, please see the flyer on the Church Notice Board. Thank you—EMMA COBURN

Saint of the week: St. Cajetan

Patron Saint of workers, gamblers, job seekers and unemployed people. Born 1480, Died 1547. In 1523, the Church was in sad shape. People could not get the spiritual nourishment they needed from the large <u>numbers</u> of uneducated and even immoral priests who took their money but returned nothing.

When <u>good</u> priests and laypeople turned to the <u>hierarchy</u> for help, they found leaders at best apathetic and indifferent to their concerns. Cajetan changed the attitude of many.

Day & Date	Facilita- tor	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Clean- ing
Sat Aug 6 th	?	Mardi McOwan	A. Reynolds, L. Hors- man & C. McAdie	N/A	R&M Jerram	I. Brady, P. Gemmola & L. Styles	?	M. Cun- ningham	Jo Donnan & K. Scher- ger
Sun Aug 7 th	J. Start	Peter Brady	C. Bulger, M. de Jong & K. Chamings	Jewell Start	Pat Lardner & S. Picker- ing	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Aug 13 th	J. McAloon	Pat McAloon	G. North, & M. McDougall	N/A	Geoff White & M. Ryan	G. Carmichael, B. Holland & P. McAloon	G. White & V. Hooper	G. O'Lough- lan	A. Galoso & M. Fe Galoso
Sun Aug 14 th	T. Gemmola	P. Gemmola	G. O'Lough- lan, N. Billingsley	Teresa Gemmola	Lois Rowe	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)

LAKE BOLAC—MASS

This Week

READER: M. Phillips
PRAYERS: K. Gleeson

EUCHARISTIC

MINISTER: L. Breen

CLEANING: M-A Otto

LAKE BOLAC—MASS

Lay assembly

READER:R. ListonPRAYERS:P. Meek

EUCHARISTIC:

MINISTER: I. Meek

Lay Assembly: Trish & Mary-Anne

Joke of the week:



Sacrament program

There are numerous children now enrolled on the "Live Your Christian Life" Sacrament program. We shall be streamlining the logistics of this program but should you wish to enrol your child please contact the office on 03 53525460. Or email Ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au to register for the next meeting with Fr. Andrew

Great Western Maker's Market Sunday August 7th

For all those not attending the Liturgy day in the Parish centre, why not come along to the Maker's Market in Great Western. It's on from 10am til 2pm. Soup will be served along with the regular Sausage BBQ. Maybe grab something for Father's Day.

Best's Great Western

Well done to Justin Purser (Winemaker) and his team at Best's Winery in Great Western for winning the Halliday "Wine of the Year" for the Thomson Family Shiraz 2014. A great win for Best's but also for the region.