

# St Patrick's Parish Community

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

## 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

## September 13, 2015

### SUNDAY MISSAL Pg 690

### SICK LIST:

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seeary; Lourdes dela Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; ynn Wright; Laurie Healey; Fr Brendan Davey; Bernard Joyce; John Jess; Simon Monas, Wendy Shea; Angela Moore; Geoff O'Donnell; Belinda Scott (Ballarat), Peter Duffy (Canada); Patricia Price; (Melbourne); Margaret McIntyre; Nance Rutter; Theresa Ellis (Edinburgh) (NAMES ON THE SICK LIST WILL BE CLEARED EVERY 4 WEEKS)

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



BALLARAT CLERGY SUP-PORT FUND Collection for Sick and Retired Priests Last year our parish contributed \$ 614.74 to this collection,

which raised nearly \$71,000 throughout the Diocese. The collection in our parish this year has raised \$ 547.00 to date. The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund relies on your generosity to enable it to continue supporting our sick and retired priests. You are still able to contribute, by using the special envelope provided, or in an envelope marked "Ballarat Clergy Support Fund".

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 COMMUNI-TY'S RESPONSIBILITY

ENVELOPES ARE IN PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPE BOXES AND ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH DOORS.



CHILDREN'S END OF TERM MASS OF THANKSGIV-ING: FRI-DAY, 10.00AM IN THE CHURCH.

<u>Corpus Christi College Building Appeal</u> On the weekend of September 26 & 27, 2015 across all parishes in Victoria, a special appeal will be conducted to raise funds for the addition of new rooms for Seminarians at Corpus Christ College, Carlton.

## SATURDAY EVENING MASS TIMES:

It has been requested by a number of parishioners that we might consider keeping the Saturday evening Mass time at 6.00pm over the summer period. Next weekend a form will be available for those who attend the Saturday evening Mass, and who wish to vote on this matter.

CUP OF TEA AFTER 10.30AM MASS TODAY ALL WELCOME FINANCES LAST WEEKEND: Presbytery Collection: \$ 510.75 Parish Collection: \$ 907.00 Loose Plate: \$ 84.50 1st collection is for the clergy stipend, presbytery costs and support of the bish- op and sick and retired priests. The 2nd collection is for the upkeep of the parish.	HUMOUR: The Prayer Request A businessman needed a million dol- lars to close an important business transaction. He went to church to pray for the money. He knelt and started praying next to a poor man who was praying for a hundred dollars he needed to pay an urgent debt. The businessman took out his wallet and pressed the hundred dollars into the other man's hand. Overjoyed, the man got up and left the church. The businessman then closed his eyes and prayed, "And now, Lord, that I have your undivided attention"
THIS WEEK: MASS: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am FRIDAY'S MASS will be a Mass of Thanksgiving with the Children from St Pat's School. NO MASS THURSDAY— Finance Meeting in Ballarat. THURSDAY—Scripture Reflec- tion at 2.00pm in Presbytery. CONFESSIONS —Before or after 10.00am weekday Mass- es by request (i.e. – just ask Fr Eric.) ; 10.00am 1st & 3rd Sat- urdays. Landsborough—before Sun-	NEWS:         National Geographic issue not allowed for 'cultural reasons'         Image: Comparison of the state of
day Mass. Any other time by appointment.	Although the company did not ex- plicitly say so, it is believed that the

Islamic state took offence to the image of the Catholic Church's leaders.

Foreignpolicy.com reports that the magazine's editor-in-cheif Alsaad Omar al-Menhaly as issuing a statement in which he said: "Dear readers in Saudi Arabia, we apologize that you did not receive August's magazine. According to the distribution company, the magazine was refused entry for cultural reasons."

The headline, which suggested that the Pope was leading a "quiet revolution", may also have upset a regime concerned about possible unrest.

While Saudi Arabia has admitted not a single Syrian refugee in four years, the tiny Vatican City State is taking two refugee families in this week, and Pope Francis has called for Catholics across Europe to take in Syrians, irrespective of their religion.

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Our parish website can be accessed through the diocesan site. Anyone prepared to help maintain

our parish site are asked to contact Fr Eric

### **REFLECTION ON TODAY'S SCRIPTURE**

Here in our Australian democracy we hardly feel the force of the famous gospel passage in which Jesus forewarns his disciples of the high cost of following him. We trivialise the meaning of taking up the cross to make it refer to bearing a chronic ailment, or putting up with a particularly irritating family member or work colleague: 'It/he/she is the cross I have to bear.'

No, our Lord was referring to the terrible reality which could be inflicted on his followers, as even happens today: the beheadings by ISIL in Iraq, the rape and enslavement of women in Nigeria, the displacement from homelands in Syria. The True Cross is not to be found in splinters of wood but in the various means by which suffering is inflicted on those whose allegiance to Jesus Christ does not waiver.

Peter could not, would not, grasp this. His head was full of political fantasy, easy sovereignty. Jesus rebuked Peter quite savagely: 'Satan, get behind me.' Only after the resurrection, believing that our Lord had conquered the worst that death could do, did Peter follow Jesus to crucifixion, upside down at the base of the Vatican Hill.

We could take a moment to pray for and, where possible, give appropriate political support to, our fellow Christians wherever they are persecuted, forced to bear the true cross of suffering. May God give those Christian martyrs victory in the embrace of the resurrection power of Jesus Christ.

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Get behind me Satan

#### ROSTERS: LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

This Week: (September 13) Readers: M Browne/B G Browne Procession of Gifts: D & M Browne Ext Minister: C Browne

Next Week: (September 20) Readers: G Douglas/C Browne Procession of Gifts: B G & W Browne Ext Minister: G Douglas

Church Care: C Browne Church Grounds— September— P O'Callaghan

#### STAWELL:

 This Week
 6.00PM
 (September 12)

 Welcomer:
 M Cray

 Readers:
 N Rathgeber/D Jones

 Ext. Ministers:
 J Raeburn/J Obi

 Procession of Gifts:
 J Allan

10.30AM (September 13) Readers: M R Thomas/G Cain Ext. Ministers: K Dalton/K Ashton/C Barker Procession of Gifts: Carey Family

Next Week 6.00PM (September 19) Welcomer: D McIntosh Readers: J Raeburn/Y Evans Ext. Ministers: D Jones/N Rathgeber Procession of Gifts: M, H, J, A Smith

 10.30AM
 (September 20)

 Readers:
 D O'Donnell/H Potter

 Ext Ministers:
 F Harney/G Comitti/ G Little

 Procession of Gifts:
 Cain/Rutter Family

Altar Society: (August 19) Margaret & Di

Counters: Today: T & A Ellis Next Week: J Raeburn

MARY'S STATUE : 13-19 P & H Rathgeber; 20-26 Mary Rita Thomas; 27—3 October M Rowe

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

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

HOLY HOUR: 1st Friday, commencing with Mass at 10.00 AM

## FUNERAL MASSES WILL ALWAYS TAKE THE PLACE OF ROSTERED WEEKDAY MASSES.

#### **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 1.30pm in the presbytery.

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