

Sunday October 30, 2022 Thirtieth First Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year C

St Patrick's Stawell, Immaculate Conception Ararat, St Francis of Assisi Landsborough and St Bernard's Lake Bolac form Holy Spirit Parish, Gariwerd. We acknowledge recognise and respect the elders and families of the Barengi Gadjin and Eastern Maar people, the traditional owners of the land on which our parish gathers. We commit ourselves to walking in unity with our First Nations people.

First Reading

Wis 11:22 - 12:2

A reading from the book of Wisdom

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you? You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14. R. see v.1

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. I will give you glory, O God my King,

I will bless your name for ever.

I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God.

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds.

The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down.

Second Reading

2 Thes 1:11 - 2:2

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Zacchaeus was an over-the-top character, not only figuratively but, in this incident, quite literally up in a sycamore tree. He thought he was keeping an eye out for Jesus, but Jesus was keeping an eye out for his sort of character!

'Zacchaeus' means 'clean'. But his fellow Jews regarded him as a filthy collaborator with the Romans. However, Jesus looked up and saw Zacchaeus in a double perspective, not only as he was but as he could become if only he responded to the grace on offer. He did, and the response was truly 'over the top'! We come to Mass to catch a glimpse of Jesus in the scriptures and sacrament. But, we find that our Risen Lord is constantly gazing at us. He is the Divine Seer who sees us as we are, but also as we are capable of becoming.

We could pause for a moment to pray to become more conscious of the gaze of the Divine Seer. There could be 'over-the-top' consequences!

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Mass Times Readings for next Sunday

Ararat Sunday 8.30am Stawell Sunday 10.30am

Lake Bolac 1st 3rd 5th Sundays 6.30pm Vigil Sat

Landsborough 2nd 4th Sundays 6pm Vigil Sat

Glenthompson (Hamilton Parish) 2nd 4th Sundays 8.30am

Weekday Masses (usual schedule) Aged Care Roster

Tuesday: 10am Stawell (Check bulletin for occasional changes) 1st Wednesday 11.15am Eventide **Wednesday:** Aged Care 2nd Wednesday 11am Lowe St

November 6th

2 Thes 2:16 - 3:5

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2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14//Ps 16:1. 5-6. 8. 15. R. v.15.//

Thursday: 3.30pm Hopkins 3rd Wednesday 10.30am Garden View

Friday: 11am Ararat (Check bulletin for occasional changes) 4th Wednesday 10am ARVillage

Fr Andrew is on Annual Leave. All Aged Care Masses and Ararat Friday Mass will be Communion Service. Stawell's Tuesday Masses will resume on Tuesday November 8.

Arrangements while Fr Andrew is Away

Fr Andrew will be on annual leave until November 5. During this time Fr Peter Hudson will be available for Sunday Masses and for funerals. The parish office will be open at the usual times and the parish phone (53525460) and emails will be monitored just the same. Please email the office (ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au) as usual.

Anniversaries

Molly Rutter, Mons. Frank McKenzie, Betty Bulger, John Hennessy, Bill Gleeson, William Falvey 1966, Mary Atkinson 1993, Fiona Seebus 1998 Alfred Edward Hooper, Bridgit Whelan 1945, Peter Scarsi 1953, Emily Healy 1965, Mollie Rutter 1983 Joyce Hockley, Jean Carey, Elizabeth McSparron 1963, Robert Boag 1980, Peter Mornane 1999, Monica Morrissey 2005 John Kyatt, Catherine Vendy 1972, Brian Monaghan 2006 Patts Pratt, Patricia Kavanagh, William Radley, Kevin Westrup, Matt Pope 1944.,Lino Fratin, Noel Kent, Noel Birrell, Irene O'Connor, William Byrne 1970, Mary Healy 1973, Elsa White 1991, Patricia O'Loughlin 2017, William Alfred Evans 2018,Norman Hearn, Conception Unabia, Adrian Starkie, Anna Phelan 1985, Jack Naylor 2001, Nora Todd-Culph 2006, Leo Crawford 2017.

Golden Gate Roster Sun 30th Oct Harry & Anna

Sun 6th Nov Libby Sun 13th Nov Teresa

Lake Bolac Roster Sat Oct 29 Reader Tricia Higgins.//.Prayers of Faithful Irene Meek

Sat Nov 5 Reader Michael Phillips//.Prayers of Faithful Val Albert//Cleaning Judy Upton

Sat Nov 19 Reader Phillip Meek// Prayers of Faithful. Denise Haslett

Ararat Roster Sun Oct 30 Facil P McAloon// Reader J McAloon// EMin C McAdie

Sun Nov 6th Facil H Collins// Reader T Gemmola// EMin M Cunningham Sun Nov 13th Facil C McAdie//. Reader K Leggett// EMin Anna Collins

Ecumenical Service

Today, Sunday 30th Oct, there will be an ecumenical service at 5pm in the City Herat Church of Christ Stawell. All welcome.

Vinnies Victoria Flood Appeal 2022

If you would like to donate towards helping Victorian communities recovery from the flooding. The St Vincent de Paul Society has opened – Vinnies Victoria Flood Appeal 2022. Donations can go to specific areas if you donate over the phone – 13 18 12.

SAVE THE DATE: Liturgy Formation at South West Coast Parish – Sunday, November 13, 2022

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is hosting a Liturgy Formation Session at St Joseph's Gathering Space, Warrnambool on Sunday, November 13, 2022. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass at 10.30am with the formation program beginning at 12.00noon on the topics of Sunday Assembly of Word & Communion and Fr John McKinnon will present a workshop on scripture reflection. All welcome to attend. Registrations are now open at try booking https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=974367&

Diocesan e-News

Please find the latest edition of e-News for your interest https://mailchi.mp/c151a9e51ee1/edition-93-october-8-13731086 or go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/ news and events / e-News

Diocesan Youth Booklet

The Ballarat Diocese has produced a booklet which outlines opportunities to assist young people on their faith journey. There is information about a variety of youth ministry and young adult activities, as well as details on faith formation, social justice and outreach initiatives. A range of social media networks and online forums offering choices for young people to connect with the wider Catholic community is also included. In addition, there are links to resources to support young people in prayer and spirituality. There is information about reflection days, festivals, immersions and pilgrimage experiences for them to take part in to grow in their faith, and qualifications available in theology, ministry formation, training and much more. With the support of Bishop Paul Bird CSsR, the booklet has been distributed to all secondary schools for Year 12 students and senior school leavers, as well as a small amount of copies for parishes across the diocese. If you have any questions or would like more copies, please contact the Pastoral Ministry Office pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

St Vincent de Paul Flood Appeal

The St Vincent de Paul Society has established a Victorian Flood Appeal. Contributions can be made by:

- Calling 13 18 12;
- Visiting https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022

You can also:

- make a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase;
- via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

Challenges in establishing and maintaining a parish RCIA process Webinar: November 14, 2022

Registrations are open for Catholic Initiation Australia Network's (CIAN) next webinar on Monday, November 14, 2022 from 7.00pm – 8.15pm AEDT via zoom. This free webinar will involve short presentations from three of CIAN's executive members who have a wealth of experience in RCIA: Lisa McKerr (Brisbane); Kathy Horan (Adelaide); Christine Wood (Hobart). It will also include breakout groups for participants to discuss their parish RCIA processes. As we work to get our parishes back on track after COVID lockdowns, people keep asking us how to get their RCIA process going again. This webinar will provide practical ideas for your parishes. REGISTER NOW!

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlvcequrzMsHtFcmVq2noWDl6PP3Rq1dxJ3

October is National Mental Health Month

National Mental Health Month is an initiative of the Mental Health Foundation Australia (MHFA) to advocate for and raise awareness of Australian mental health. It is an important time where the Australian community comes together to raise awareness and promote better mental health for all. The National Mental Health Month 2022 Awareness Campaign theme is: 'Building Resilience: Communities and Connections'. Mental Health Australia invites organisations to participate in the "Look after your mental health, Australia" campaign which will run throughout October

https://lookafteryourmentalhealthaustralia.org.au/

Prayer for Mental Health month: Lord God, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve those challenged by serious and chronic mental and emotional illnesses. Give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that they may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Competition for Jubilee 2025 Hymn

The Dicastery for Evangelization invites entries for the Hymn for the Holy Year 2025, encouraging interested persons to set to music a provided text which expresses the essence of the Jubilee event. Interested participants in the competition are invited to set to music a text proposed by the Dicastery's Section for Fundamental Questions regarding Evangelization in the World, which expresses the essence of the jubilee event. The hymn is intended to have a liturgical purpose and should be capable of being sung by a Church congregation and by a schola cantorum. Entries close on March 25, 2023. More information available from http://www.evangelizatio.va/content/pcpne/en/news/giubileo-2022-09-19.html

Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre (MMHC)

'Cuppa with Mary': The Mary MacKillop Museum tells the story of Mary and the SOSJs. Entry is free. While in Melbourne, walk the Mary MacKillop Heritage trail and see Mary's place of birth. Consider organising a Parish group and have a 'Cuppa with Mary'. Group bookings which include a presentation, tour of Museum and prayer reflection in the Chapel where Mary prayed, cost \$15.00 per person. Contact Kate, ph. 9926 9300.

Open Day on Saturday, November 26, 2022 from 10.00am – 4.00pm: Fr Julian Tenison Woods co-founded the SOSJ with Mary MacKillop. The exhibition will explore Tenison Wood's work as a missionary priest, his advocation of Catholic education for the poor, as well as his scientific endeavours and his eco-spirituality. His life was lived to the full, intertwined with faith and science. Julian is a role model for us today in prayer and sustainability. Join us for guided tours of the museum, a Mary MacKillop walking tour at 11.00am, Mass at 1.00pm in the Chapel where Mary prayed, refreshment options available for purchase. Book online to attend at https://www.mmhc.org.au/open-days-2022/

Mary MacKillop Gift shop: Consider supporting the work of the Sisters of St Joseph by purchasing a present from the Museum Gift Shop or a 2022 Josephite Calendar, which can be ordered at https://www.mmhc.org.au/2023-josephite-calendar. The shop stocks communion and confirmation gifts, devotional items, Vatican pieces, rosary beads, holding crosses, candles, cards, statues, crucifixes, books and Peruvian handmade items.

Accommodation@MMHC: When in Melbourne book your next stay at the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre - accommodation in the heart of Melbourne. Contact Kate, ph. 9926 9300.

Many Hands Make Light Work

Thank you to all our volunteers who stepped up to assist with our church ministries both past and current The Parish Council realises the difficulties during Covid and now wish to welcome you to participate in our Church.

Please consider, and fill in the attached form and leave at the door.

Lectionary Art and Reflection by Jenny Close

Many vertically challenged males overcompensate for their lack of inches by being arrogant, but in this story a small man's desire for renewal overcame his need for dignity. When Zacchaeus climbed that sycamore tree and peeped through the leaves he saw the one person who could change his life around.

