

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**[Gen 18:1-10](#)

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.' Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree. 'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

**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;  
he who does not slander with his tongue. (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**[Col 1:24-28](#)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians  
It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of

his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation**[See Lk 8:15](#)

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel**[Lk 10:38-42](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke  
Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'



# Parish Information – Holy Spirit Parish, Gariwerd

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## Mass Times

Ararat	Sunday 8.30am
Stawell	Sunday 10.30am
Lake Bolac	1 <sup>st</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> Sundays 6.30pm Vigil Sat
Landsborough	2 <sup>nd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays 6pm Vigil Sat
Glenthompson	(Hamilton Parish) 2 <sup>nd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am

## Readings for next Sunday

July 24  
Seventeenth Sunday Ordinary Time Year C  
[Gen 18:20-32](#)// [Col 2:12-14](#) // [Lk 11:1-13](#)

## Weekday Masses (usual schedule)

**Tuesday:** 10am Stawell (Check bulletin for occasional changes)  
**Wednesday:** Aged Care  
**Thursday:** 3.30pm Hopkins  
**Friday:** 11am Ararat (Check bulletin for occasional changes)

## Aged Care Roster

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 11.15am Eventide  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 11am Lowe St  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 10.30am Garden View  
4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 10am ARV

**Recent Deaths:** Vincent Pinzone, Ann Bates

## Anniversaries

William Smith, Fr Peter Elder, Lorna Weeding, Sr. Marie Feiss CSB, Sr Aileen Vear CSB, Peter Smeaton 1989, Fr Jim Green, Margaret Skidmore, George Smythe, Helen Grace 1979, Timothy Nicholson 2001, Vera Hayes, Patrick Dinan 1958, Noel Pollock 1991, Reginald Clark 2002, Laurence Cashin, Stan Parker, Bridget McGuan 1958, Mary Healy 1994, Carmel Kelly, Thomas Fitzgerald 1959, Amy McKeon 1980, Christopher Peters 2007, Patrick Reed, Laurence French 2000, Monica Cronin, Leo Heenan, Noel Coughlin, Peter McLoughlin, Mary Healy 1972, Mary McGee 1975, Luigi Martino 1987

## Golden Gate Roster

July 17 Jim Jan // 24 Harry Anna // 31 Libby  
August 7 Jim Jan // 14 Harry Anna // 21 Libby // 28 Jim Jan

## Lake Bolac Roster

Sat July 16 Reader Irene Meek // Prayers of Faithful Jane Higgins // Cleaning Leanne Breen  
Sat July 30 Reader Rosemary Liston // Prayers of Faithful Michael Phillips // Cleaning L Breen

## Anniversaries Books

The lists of anniversaries for the parishes have been merged and printed and will be in the churches this weekend. Parishioners are very welcome to take a pen and write in more names of loved ones. From time to time the books will be collected and the hand-written names added on the computer and reprinted. Some names appear to be misspelt. As examples, Brown is spelt Brownw and McMahan spelt McMahom. Some of them might actually be correct so they have been left as is for now. If you know that a name is spelt poorly, please change it and we'll fix it for next time.

## Planned Giving Envelopes in Stawell

We expect the Stawell envelopes to be here by next Sunday. Holt tight!

## Sanctuary in Stawell

Work is about to commence at St Patrick's. The first stage is to pull out the sanctuary platform. This has been named as a safety hazard. For a short time we will place the altar and lectern on the floor, until we sort what we'll do next.

## Vinnie's Winter Appeal

Domestic violence is the leading cause of homelessness for women and children. Your support of the 2022 Vinnie's Winter Appeal will help provide emergency accommodation, financial support, as well as material assistance. To donate go to <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/winter-appeal-vic>

## Vinnies Winter Appeal – Ballarat City Brass Band Concert

The Ballarat City Brass Band presents, "A Golden Era Music" on Sunday, August 14, 2022 at 2.00pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat. Entry by gold coin donation and all proceeds will be donated to the Vinnies Winter Appeal.

## **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly – July 24, 2022**

On Sunday, July 24, 2022, the Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated throughout the universal Church. The theme chosen by the Holy Father for the occasion is "In old age they will still bear fruit" (Ps. 92:15).

## **Ordinations to the Priesthood: Friday, July 22, 2022**

Deacons Matt Restall and Bill Lowry will be ordained priests for the Diocese of Ballarat on Friday, July 22, 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 7.00pm. All welcome to attend. For those not able to attend the Mass will be livestreamed at <https://youtu.be/gnpY6nMKz3M>

## **Thanksgiving Masses**

The newly ordained priests will celebrate Thanksgiving Masses on Saturday, July 23, 2022. All are welcome to attend.  
Fr William Lowry: St James' Church, Sebastopol at 9.00am.  
Fr Matthew Restall: St Alipius Church, Ballarat East at 11.30am.

## **ACRATH: Change the life of a victim/survivor of human trafficking.**

ACRATH needs to raise \$200,000 in the coming weeks until July 30 - UN World Day Against Trafficking in Persons - to sustain its many programs and to continue supporting victim/survivors of human trafficking. This year ACRATH needs funds to advocate, educate, contribute to change and support the victim/survivors, building on work done through the pandemic. We ask you to help us to continue our important work and spread the message that 'PEOPLE ARE NOT FOR SALE!' by donating today via our website <https://acrath.org.au/donate/>. We receive NO government funding so your donation is vital.

## **Praying with Pope Francis**

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at [www.thepopevideo.org](http://www.thepopevideo.org). Pope's intention for July: For the elderly: We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people. May their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

## **Position Vacant: Parish Coordinator**

The Parish of St Alipius, Ballarat East, are seeking a Parish Coordinator to ensure the efficient operation of the Parish Office. Applications including a cover letter and addressing the Key Selection Criteria and including the names of two referees, close on July 22, 2022. Information available from the Ballarat East webpage <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/parish/ballarat-east/>

## **CTC online unit: Ageing Persons and Pastoral Care**

Australians are living longer and our society is an ageing one. Ageing in Australia today has become an urgent and increasingly important public issue. The recently concluded Royal Commission indicates some of the challenges and complexities in providing effective care for older citizens. Political, social and economic costs abound on the way forward. A Gospel perspective calls Christians to collaborate in the building of a just and compassionate society. Commencing with the ancient Christian understanding of the "care of souls" the course unit explores the evolution of pastoral and spiritual care to the present day as they contribute to the personal, mental and social wellbeing of ageing persons in our society. Presenter will be Rev. Dr Laurence McNamara CM, Director, Navigating Ageing Project. The unit will be offered online over six Saturdays in 2022: 30 July; 13, 27 August; 17 September; 8, 22 October from 10.00am – 12.00pm then 2.00pm – 4.00pm. Contact the Academic Records Office for enrolment information and appointments, ph. 9412 3309, or email or <https://ums.divinity.edu.au/unit/DP9631C/public>

## **Celebrating Catholic funerals in the face of secularism, COVID and other challenges**

On Monday, July 18, 2022 from 10.00am -11.30am AEST, the ACU Centre for Liturgy will host Rev Dr Paul Turner who will present an online public lecture via Zoom entitled "Celebrating Catholic funerals in the face of secularism, COVID and other challenges". Over the past several decades, the Catholic Church's Order of Christian Funerals has not changed, but the culture surrounding funerals has. For example, people are thinking differently about cremation, the timing of the funeral, the nature of the service, the location of the funeral, and the final disposition of remains. This presentation will review key points from the funeral tradition and engage ways to make it more meaningful. Cost is \$10.00 or concession \$5.00 and/or a group registration of five or more \$40.00. Registration can be done at [www.acu.edu.au/publiclectureCfL](http://www.acu.edu.au/publiclectureCfL)



## Masks are Recommended in the State of Victoria

This from the vic.gov.au website this week:

Where face masks are recommended

We strongly recommend wearing a mask if you:

- are in an indoor setting
- can't physically distance, such as at entry or exit points to large events
- have any COVID-19 symptoms, or
- are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19.

### Lectionary Art and Reflection by Jenny Close

The story of Martha and Mary seems like a simple one, but it has been the focus of a surprising amount of comment. Some say that Mary's contemplative stance is favoured because it brought her closer to Jesus or that it was more cerebral and therefore more honourable in some way. Others claim that Martha's honest toil is not sufficiently valued in the story or that Martha was one of those task-orientated persons who busied herself and missed the opportunity to be attentive. But both work and contemplation are significant parts of human life, like pleasure and responsibility and, when a proper balance is found, surely both are equally honourable.

### Reflection by Artist



### Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we see the people of God offering the hospitality rather than receiving it, first Abraham and then Martha. What lessons of discipleship can be learned from these readings? First and foremost we see how important openness is, for in each case those to whom the hospitality was offered were divine visitors in human form. We can never be sure under what guise God will come to us. It could be the person on the street who asks for directions, or the one who comes to our place of work to engage the service that we provide. It may be the friend who comes to dinner or the co-worker who acts in a way we did not expect. God comes into our lives in unexpected ways and we must have an open attitude of hospitality if we are to receive the blessings that might come with such visits. We know that we cannot lay aside the responsibilities of our lives in order to sit with Mary at the feet of Jesus. However, we cannot allow ourselves to be held captive by these responsibilities, regardless of how legitimate they may be. And so we continue to struggle; to carry the burdens that are ours for the sake of the people that we serve; to serve the people in our care realising that we will probably not be able to accomplish all of our tasks or at least as well as we would like. It is in this way that the reign of God struggles to be born.

**Mindfulness & Meditation, Saturday 30 Jul 2022, 10am-2pm AEST**, online via Zoom. When we are present to the 'now', centredness and relaxation become a natural part of life, and we know how to act from a heart of love. This is a day of prayer in the practice of Mindfulness & Meditation. We invite you to bring an open mind and heart to journey with others and within one self. This day is led by Paola Cheng, a qualified meditation teacher, spiritual director and social worker, who brings an inclusive and gentle approach to her sessions. Cost \$50. Book and pay by 25/7/22 via [www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne) Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope Street, Malvern VIC, email [office@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:office@heartoflife.melbourne) or tel (03) 9890 1101

**Gently Integrating our Shadow-side Toward Wholeness, Saturday 6 Aug 2022, 1pm-4.30pm AEST**, attend via Zoom or in-person. Our shadow-side is not some deep, dark pathology within us to be feared. Although we are unaware of our shadow-side operating within us, it nevertheless shapes our living, in that our shadow-side expresses itself through distorted and unhealthy means. If our shadow-side is unknown to us, how can it be recognised and integrated? Also, how can wholeness and true self be experienced? This reflection event, led by Kaye Twining, BTheol, Grad Dip Spir Dir, MA, will offer an understanding of wholeness, true self and shadow-side and includes a reflective practice for gently integrating our shadow-side toward wholeness. Cost \$50. Book and pay by 29/7/22 via [www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne) Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope Street, Malvern VIC, email [office@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:office@heartoflife.melbourne) or tel (03) 9890 1101

### What can I study at Catholic Theological College?

With semester 2 2022 fast approaching it is now time to discover the available face-to-face and online options at Catholic Theological College (CTC). Studying theology at CTC provides an opportunity to deepen your understanding of our faith. You can build pastoral skills and engage in rich theological discussion. There are a variety of units to consider in Semester 2 2022 and beyond. You can view the Virtual Open Tour video at <https://ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/ctc-videos/>