# St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Ballarat

# 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 9th October, 2022



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Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday, 10.00am – 5.00pm

The phone will be transferred to the on-call priest so that Hospitals, Aged Care facilities, Funeral Directors or others seeking the services of a priest may be responded to.

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wadawurrung People of the Kulin nation. We recognise their heritages, their cultures and their continuing connection to land and community, and we pay respects to elders past, present and emerging.

We are a child safe Parish following the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government, implementing procedures and standards as directed by the Professional Standards Office of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat.



# Cathedral Clergy:

Fr Ed Moloney
Fr Abraham Thomas
Fr Jim McKay

## **Visiting Priests:**

Fr Dan Arundell Fr Barry Ryan

#### Parish Admin:

TBA

#### Finance Officer:

Kerrie McTigue

#### Sacraments:

TBA

#### Safeguarding Officer:

Kerrie McTigue

# Readings this week: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (9th October)

**First:** 2 Kings 5:14-17 **Second:** 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19

# Readings next week: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (16th October)

**First:** Exodus 17:8-13 **Second:** 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

**Gospel:** Luke 18: 1-8

# **RECENT DEATHS:**



Elaine Canny, Maurice Cowie, Kathleen Dennis, Pat Mardling

## **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Peter Burns, Zofia Buzo, Freda Buckley, Patrick Cashin (Ararat),
Robert Conaughton, Sheila Conaughton, Daniel Daley, Sr Caroline Deutscher IBVM, Trevor
Ferguson, Bill Flynn, Ellen Hardie, Mary Keating, Nellie Leddin, Marjorie McDonald, John
Marone, Sr Angela Quinn, Josephine Reilly, Susan Rowe, Petronella Ruyg, Peter Sharp, Edna
Tobin, Kathleen Tobin, Patrick Torpy, Winifred Towns, Bernard Walsh, Josey Westenberger

#### **BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND**



We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Grace Victoria Hart, child of Darren and Katherine Tomas Luc and Belle Rose Macgillivray children of Matthew and Lieve Lenny Raymond Mulraney child of Gareth and Olivia

"The Church gives the faith to your children through Baptism and you have the task to make it grow..." Pope Francis.

### MENTAL HEALTH WEEK: OCTOBER 8 – 15, 2022

The theme for Mental Health Week this year is, "Where we live. How we live. What we've lived." Understanding how the body, mind and environment intersect is essential to overall wellbeing. Physical health – both inside of us and in the world around us – has a major impact on mental health. The nutrition we consume, movement of our bodies, the health of the planet and quality of our housing and neighbourhoods all play a part in building health communities and individuals <a href="https://mentalhealthweek.org.au/">https://mentalhealthweek.org.au/</a>

Prayer for Mental Health Week: 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.

#### ST PATRICK'S PARISH COUNCIL IS SEEKING NOMINATIONS

St Patrick's Parish Council is seeking nominations to serve and assist with the mission of the parish in the following ways:

- \* Promote the Sacramental life of the Church
- \* Assist in promoting the Word of God through various programmes and activities in the parish
- \* Help Parish to grow in a sense of loving and caring as a community though activities on all levels especially assisting in formation of young people and children
- \* Outward looking to reach all geographical areas in the parish and connecting the community with a view to belong and evangelise in the name of Jesus Christ to those seeking, suffering and in need.

If you believe you are being called to serve the parish and use your skills and spiritual gifts or wish to nominate a suitable person to assist the parish, please collect the Parish Council Charter and Nominations forms from exits of the Cathedral.

Holy Hour with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Wednesday nights

The Holy Hour concluding with Benediction will assist us in the process of the formation of the Parish Council. It will be held on Wednesday evening at 7.00 pm - 8pm from 28<sup>th</sup> September until 9<sup>th</sup> November. This time of silent prayer and reflection on a passage of Scripture taken from the Acts of the Apostles re the formation of the Early Church in the Gospel of St Luke's will enrich us greatly. Everyone is welcome to pray with us.

# REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL - 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C (Luke 17:11-19)

Every day we hear news of race riots, ethnic violence and discrimination somewhere in our world, often quite close to us. Even those who do not resort to violence can tend to be suspicious of those who have different origins and different ways from them. The worst atrocities are frequently perpetrated between those who have differing understandings of the same faith. There are elements of this in both the protracted Syrian war and the present Ukranian conflict, even if religion is only one component in each situation. We are seeing, there as elsewhere, the end product of failure to recognize the shared humanity of all people.

Today's gospel story invites us to reflect on the potential goodness of everyone. It continues last week's focus on the saving power of faith. Just four Greek words make up the most telling sentence in the story: "And he was Samaritan!" A new element has entered into the narrative: faith is not the sole preserve of the Jewish people. A despised half-Jew can have faith, faith buried deep within and actively at work like the life in the mustard seed.

Jesus is approached by ten lepers in a village in border territory. All have been excluded from participation in village life on account of their chronic skin disease. All beg for inclusion: "mercy us" is their plea. All follow the prescription of the Law of Moses to show themselves to the priests (Leviticus 13-14). All are declared "clean". In other words, they have been "mercied", freed from the power of illness and restored to community life. Only one turns back, praises God in the market place, falls at Jesus' feet and thanks him. Readers do not know to this point whether the village and its inhabitants are Galilean or Samaritan. They know only that the village is situated in the region between Galilee and Samaria. Now the shocking truth is revealed: one is a Samaritan, doubly marginalised as a "foreigner" or "stranger" and it is this one alone that gives thanks to Jesus and honour to God. This one alone receives the now familiar affirmation: "your faith has saved you". Jesus tells the Samaritan to rise up and continue on his way, on his journey of faith. The other nine are healed, presumably because they too have some limited faith. They have nonetheless forgotten the source of their healing and abandoned the journey to life.

One measure of our faith is our capacity to acknowledge and to celebrate the source of our well-being when life is good and we have no felt need for healing. A more telling measure is our capacity to say a simple word of thanks to all those who mediate to us the goodness of a compassionate and merciful God, whatever our circumstances. We might also take time this week to focus on and give thanks for the wonderful diversity of life in our world, diversity within the other-than-human as well as within the human community.

- Veronica Lawson RSM

#### POPE FRANCIS HAS ENCOURAGED THE MONTH FATIMA - DEVOTION TO MARY 13TH OCTOBER

The general message of Fatima is not complicated. Its requests are for prayer, reparation, repentance, sacrifice and the abandonment of sin. The Miracle of the Sun also known as the Miracle of Fátima, is a series of events reported to have occurred on 13 October 1917, attended by a large crowd who gathered in <u>Fátima</u>, <u>Portugal</u>, in response to a prophecy made by three shepherd children, <u>Lúcia Santos</u> and <u>Francisco</u> and <u>Jacinta Marto</u>. <u>Pope Pius XII</u> himself witnessed the miracle of the Sun from the Vatican gardens. The early and enduring interest in the miracle and related prophecies has had a significant impact on the devotional practices of many Catholics. The event was declared of "supernatural character" by the <u>Catholic Church</u> in 1930. A shrine was built near the site in Fátima, which has been attended by thousands of faithful. In 2017, <u>Pope Francis</u> approved the recognition of a miracle two of the children involved in the Fátima event, Francisco and Jacinta Marto, which paved the way for their <u>canonization</u>. **This coming Thursday after the 10.00 am Mass a small procession at the Cathedral will be held to ask Our Lady of Fatima's continued prayers for the world and world peace.** 

### **WISDOM AT THE CATHEDRAL**

Speakers from the Sapientia Project, Anna Krohn and Fiona Bradley, will run an afternoon on The Parables of Jesus on Saturday 22 October from 2.00pm to 4.45pm in the MacKillop & Glowrey rooms. The afternoon includes talks from both speakers, discussion and afternoon tea. \$5 donation. All welcome. For more information see the flyer on the parish noticeboards or contact: Fiona on 0402 474 074

info@sapientiaproject.com

# CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE CATHEDRAL BRANCH

The Cathedral Branch of the Catholic Women's League invite all members and friends to the Diocesan CWL Reflection Day at the Bendictine Monastery at Camperdown, on Tuesday October 11th where Fr Bill Lowry will celebrate Mass and give the Reflection.

Morning Tea and Registration at 10am and Mass at 11.30am. The day concludes at 3.00pm. Cost \$10 (cash only). Lunch included.

For all inquiries and assistance with travel please call Carmel on 0401 175 045 or Anne on 0400 260 660 email annekav1234@gmail.com

## PARISH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

#### Tuesday

7.00pm – Life in the Spirit (MacKillop/Glowrey Room)

## Wednesday

1.30pm Legion of Mary (St Patrick's Hall)

#### PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for contributing to the Cathedral collections this week:

**First Collection** - \$2,068.85 (Presbytery - Priest support)

Second Collection - \$3,598.00 (Parish – buildings, office, admin, grounds and maintenance, including envelopes, credit cards and direct debits)

# **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday – 10.00am (Funeral Mass)

**Tuesday** – 7.00am, 10.00am

**Wednesday** – 7.00am, 10.00am

**Thursday** – 7.00am, 10.00am

**Friday** – 12.05pm (Reconciliation at 11.00am until midday)

Saturday - 10.00am

# WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday** 6.30pm Vigil **Sunday** 8.00am, 10.30am, 5.00pm

# **DEVOTIONS**

Monday-Saturday Morning Prayer 7.30am

Monday-Friday Evening Prayer 5.00pm

**Monday/Tuesday** after 10.00am Mass Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Wednesday after Mass Litany to St Joseph

Holy Hour & Benediction to aid formation of Parish Council 7.00pm - 8.00pm

**Thursday** after 10.00am Mass – Rosary & Procession of Our Lady of Fatima Divine Mercy Chaplet

**Friday** after 12.05pm Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Silent Prayer

Saturday after 10.00am Mass

(Please note: No Exposition or Prayers after this Mass due to the Sing Assembly)

\*changes may occur due to Funerals/Liturgical events.

A Reminder from Bishop Paul Bird CSsR:

During this time of pandemic:

Communion should be received in the hand rather than on the tongue.

No sharing of the chalice.

Those distributing Holy Communion should use hand sanitiser prior to distribution and not touch anyone when giving a blessing, and