

Ministry District of Creswick, Daylesford & Wendouree



St Augustine's
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Creswick



St Peter's
13 Duke St,
Daylesford



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Wendouree

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Thursday 9am - 2pm

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Office Hours: Wednesday—
Friday 9am—1pm

April 21st 2024
4th Sunday of Easter—
Year B

*We are child safe Parishes,
committed to safeguarding
children & vulnerable adults.*

*We acknowledge the Dja Dja
Wurrung People as the Traditional
Custodians of the lands on which
we live. We pay our respect to
Elders, past, present and emerging.*

Preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation
Both parishes will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on the Feast of Pentecost, Sunday May 19th, Creswick at 9.00am Mass, Daylesford 10.30am Mass. Baptised children in Year 3 upwards are welcome to be enrolled in the preparation. Contact the Parish Office or St Michael's or St Augustine's Parish schools. In Daylesford the program will commence on Monday April 22nd with a Parent Information Session at 5.00pm in the Parish Centre. Also, as part of the preparation, children will attend 10.30am Sunday Masses on April 28th, May 5th and May 12th and participate in 'dismissals' from Mass, led by one of the school teachers. They are dismissed to the Parish Centre.

150th Anniversary of Diocese of Ballarat
Bishop Paul has invited parishes to acknowledge the 150th anniversary at Masses on the weekend of **April 27-28, 2024**. To continue the celebration of the anniversary both parishes will host a morning tea after Mass.
Creswick parish will have a morning tea in the old presbytery after Mass on Sunday April 28th, at 10am.
Daylesford parish will have a morning tea in the Parish Centre after Mass Sunday April 28th, at 11.30am.
Please bring a plate and as it will be 3 days after Anzac Day, if you would like to bring Anzac Biscuits, that would be appreciated.
All Welcome

Parish Priest
Fr Marcello Colasante

Admin & Safeguarding Officer
Leonie Keynes

Parish School Principals
St Augustine's Creswick
Michael Heenan 5345 2106
St Michael's Daylesford
Tim Hogan 5348 1261

Mass Times
Saturday Vigil
Wendouree 6.00pm

Sunday
Creswick 9.00am
(First Sunday of each month Assembly of the Word & Communion)
Daylesford 10.30am

Weekday Mass Times
Daylesford
Wednesday 10.30am
Wendouree
Thursday 10.00 am
Creswick
Friday 10.30am

Mass Times
From this weekend going forward, there will be no Saturday Vigil Mass for either Creswick or Daylesford. Wendouree Parish will always have the Saturday 6pm Vigil.
Creswick will have Sunday Mass each weekend at 9am, with the first Sunday of the month being Assembly of the Word and Communion.
Daylesford will have Sunday Mass each weekend at 10.30am.



Please note next week the Parish office will be closed Wednesday April 24th but open again on Thursday April 25th.

Pope's intention for April – for the role of women: *Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognised in every culture and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world. Lord, hear us*

We pray for Recent Death
Sr Mary Madden (Ballarat) The funeral for Sr Mary Madden will take place on Tuesday, 23 April, at St Alipius Church, Ballarat, at 10.30am AEST.

Anniversaries
Creswick
Max Brennan, Jack Dixon,
Elizabeth Lenaghan,
Reta Simpson
Joseph van der Linden

Daylesford
David Baxter, Maureen Cook,
Ceanne Green,
Shirley Hourigan,
Ron Kilmartin,
Betty Massingham,
Charles Matheson,
Bruce Mawby,
Vincent Milesi, Jack Ragatz,
Thelma Talty
Stephen Tatti, Iris Tinetti,
Patricia Upham, Rene Wright



For those unwell
Aileen Preston (Creswick)
Peter Goates (Creswick)

Message from Fr Marcello
From April 10th, Bishop Paul appointed Fr Marcello Colasante to the parishes of Creswick, Daylesford and Wendouree forming a Ministry District across our three parishes and the five local Church and School communities of Creswick, Daylesford, Lexton, Waubra, Wendouree. I will work with Leonie Keynes in the Daylesford Parish Office and Maree Roache and Bernadette Prestwood in the Wendouree Parish Office as well as the Principals of our Catholic Schools— Michael Heenan (St Augustine's Creswick), Tim Hogan (St Peter's Daylesford), Leigh Bradshaw (Our Lady Help of Christian's Wendouree).
In the Diocese of Ballarat, a **Ministry District** is the term used in our pastoral planning document Looking Forward, to describe the sharing of resources between parishes, with the aim of working in collaboration to further the mission of Christ that has been entrusted to the Church. Our emphasis and focus is on mission, looking forward, outward, with the joy of the Gospel.
Pope Francis, in The Joy of the Gospel, dreams “of a ‘missionary option’, that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church’s customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelization of today’s world rather than for her self-preservation” (#27). He recognises that we need to be in a “permanent state of mission” (25), going out, being always engaged in involving others and being constantly focused on reaching out. The vision of Pope Francis is an outward one and “mission” is at the centre of it. In this next chapter, our new Ministry district provides us all with an opportunity to exercise genuine synodality, that is, walking together in faith, building a culture of encounter and accompaniment, discerning the way forward by genuine dialogue, listening to each other with prayerful openness to the Holy Spirit. I look forward to walking with you as a pilgrim in faith, together as servants of the Gospel, joyful missionary disciples.