



# Parishes of St Columba's and Our Lady Help of Christians

Communities of Ballarat North, Learmonth, Lexton, Miners Rest, Waubra, Wendouree



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**Parish Priest:** Fr Marcello Colasante

**Visiting Priest:** Fr Barry Ryan

## Staff at St Columba's

Pastoral Associate: Judith O'Sullivan

Parish Secretary: Ruth Marquand

Wed 9– 1.30pm, Thurs & Fri 9–2.30pm

## Staff at Wendouree

Parish Co-ordinator: Maree Roache  
Wed-Friday 9:00am—1:00pm

**Exodus Community:** 5338 2118

## Mass times: St Columba's

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am

Wednesday: 9:30 am

## Mass times: Wendouree

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am Rural

10:00 am OLHC

Monday: 1:30 pm—Funeral

Wednesday: 10:00 am

Thursday: 10:00 am

Friday: 10.00 am



## Readings for next weekend:

Jer 20: 10—13

Rom 5: 12—15

Mr 10: 26–33

## 18th June, 2017. Corpus Christi (Year A)

### Focus on the Scripture



This feast harkens back to the celebration of Holy Thursday. By way of the metaphors of food and drink, its readings provide us with a look at the mystery of divine presence. They first provide a picture of a God who feeds us. In the past God set a table in freedom, and then provided food that enabled our ancestors to survive. God fed those who were needy, not those who were worthy. Jesus offered sustenance to the crowds that

gathered around him. It was not manna from heaven that he offered but his own flesh and blood as food and drink. This food and drink are the pledge of eternal life.

Those who eat this bread and drink this cup are caught up in a profound unity with God, a unity not envisioned in the wilderness experience. There is a new overlay of significance. Jesus' claim to give his flesh and blood was a bold one, Paul's seems even bolder. He states that partaking of the bread and the cup not only joins us with Christ, but actually makes us participants in the body and blood of Christ. Humanity and divinity are joined as one. The Eucharist is a sign of unity in another way. Joined to the body and blood of Christ, we are joined to each other. We are one body and that body is Christ. The Eucharist is truly a celebration of thanksgiving: thanksgiving for our transformation and thanksgiving for our unity.

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**Responsorial Psalm:** Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia. I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia.

**Deaths:** Elske Calis, Aad van der Voort, Jane Wright, Geoff Torney, Shirley Ryan.

**Anniversaries:**

**We pray:** for the sick of our Parishes especially Blake Dridan (pupil at St Columba's School).

## ST COLUMBA'S PARISH NEWS

**St Vincent's Winter Appeal** This weekend we are still collecting for the annual St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. This appeal coincides with the time of year that many of our less fortunate in society need assistance the most. Funds raised will be dedicated to rebuilding lives – to providing blankets for warmth, assistance in paying utility bills and rent and the provision of food. It is hoped that the Appeal will be able to assist some 1.3 million people in chronic need this winter. Please give generously (envelopes can be found at the end of each pew). More information about the appeal can be found at <https://winterappeal.vinnies.org.au/>



**Liturgy Formation 2017** The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions again 2017: Ballarat will be held at the Cathedral on Sunday 9 July. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass, Workshops on offer are Funeral Ministry, the Diocesan Sacrament of Initiation Program, "Let the Children Come" and Formation for Lectors. A flyer and registration form are available in the foyer of the church. Registration is also available via the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au). **If you are a Lector or on the Bereavement team in the Parish we would recommend that you attend these workshops.**

**Save the Date** Our next Parish lunch will be held on Thursday 27th July. Mark your diaries now. Further details to follow.



**First Eucharist/First Reconciliation** we will commence preparation for Grade 4 students next term. For further information please contact Judith in the Parish Office.

**Children's Newsletter** This week we have produced a separate newsletter for our children. There is some activities and colouring for them and some questions for parents to help with discussion. We are hoping to make this a regular feature so would appreciate your feedback.

Thanksgiving

***We thank you for your generous support***

1st Collection (For support of the Clergy in the Diocese)

\$ 832.05

2nd Collection (Last weeks giving for up keep of Parish)

\$ 1707.50

Average for this financial year \$ 2038.68

Week 50

THIS WEEKEND	SATURDAY 10 June	SUNDAY 11 June	What's on this week:
WELCOMER	Margaret & Mary Sullivan	Alison Thorpe	<b>Tues 20 June—6:00pm Finance Committee Meeting</b>  <b>Wed 21 June—9:30am Mass in foyer</b>
COMMENTATOR	John van der Laar	Brenda Ryan	
FIRST MINISTER OF THE WORD	Maureen Mooney	Richard Francis	
SECOND MINISTER OF THE WORD	Eileen Van de Laar	Kierce O'Loughlin	
GIFTS	Tom & Greta Kelly	Mandy Carroll	
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST	Torie Waight, Maureen Eddy, Kathleen Keogh	Colleen Wakefield, Kathy Bennetts, Judy Brown	
OVERHEADS	Volunteer please	Sharon de Beer	
SACRISTAN	Sullivan Sisters	Megan Bourke	

## OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH NEWS

**Planned Giving to Date:** Planned Giving envelopes are available in for all donors in the church foyer. Please collect yours and anyone you are able to deliver would be appreciated. If you would like to support our Parish by joining Planned Giving, please contact [Chris Pearce](#) 04198 919

**Planned Giving & Parish Data Base:** The parish needs a responsible parishioner to take over the management of Planned Giving and the Database. Adequate training will be provided. If you are computer literate and interested in this rewarding activity please contact [Chris Pearce](#) ph: 0419 178 919

**Parish Luncheon** - Our next Parish Get-together Luncheon at the Park Hotel Bistro will be on Wednesday 28th June at 12 noon. All welcome. Please add your name to the list in the church foyer, for booking purposes.



**St Vincent de Paul** ~ Annual General Meeting: Wednesday 28th June in the Meeting Room, commencing at 12 noon.

**Liturgy Formation:** For Funeral ministry, Sacramental ministry and Lectors. Sessions will be held in Colac on 25th June, Ballarat on 9th July and Warrnambool on 23rd July. Further information available on the Parish Noticeboard.

**REFUGEE WEEK SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCHEON** will be held on at Nazareth House Hall on Wednesday 21st June at 12:30 pm. . Didgeridoo and Acknowledgement of Country at 1pm., followed by Asylum Seeker presentation. ENTRY \$20. CONC \$15.



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**Exodus Community:** There is a basket for donations of canned, dried or packaged food stuffs to be collected by the members of the Exodus community. This basket is available in the church foyer. Donations will be gratefully accepted.

### Collections:

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1st Collection (For support of the Clergy in the Diocese)	\$ 441	Weekly Average	\$ 1,464
2nd Collection (Last weeks giving for up-keep of Parish )	\$ 749	<b>Total to Date:</b>	<b>\$ 73,197</b>
Direct Debit	\$ 85		
Loose Money	\$ 49		

NEXT WEEKEND		6pm	10:00 am	What's on this week	
LEADER of SONG	Corrie Harbour	Vin Dillon		Sun 18th	Lunch at Yacht Club
MINISTER of the WORD	Ena Bruty	Marie McMillan		Wed 21st	Liturgy Meeting 10:30 am PPC meeting 7:00 pm.
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST	Val & John Bourke, Lia Yu Des Lloyd, Mavis McNulty	Sue Searls, Peter Briody, Christine Richardson + 2 volunteers		Thurs 22nd	Properties meeting 2 pm
SACRISTAN	Pauline Howard	Helen & Mick Rieniets		<b>Next Week:</b>	
COUNTERS		K. Connors, J. Calistro , H. Rieniets			
CHURCH CLEANING	Glenda Muir, Melva Muir			Wed 28th	St VdP—AGM at 12 noon in Meeting Room
<b>Rural Communities 8:30 am</b>		This Weekend - <b>Waubra</b>	Next Weekend - <b>Learmonth</b>	Wed 28th	Parish Get Together Luncheon at Park Bistro at 12 noon
Minister of Word:	Tony McDonald	Fon Ryan			
Minister of Eucharist :	Kerryn Gallagher	Sharon Moran			
Church Cleaning:	Kerryn & Lawrence Gallagher	Bev Hayward			

## BALLARAT NEWS

**CENTRALISED BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Clergy, staff & Baptism coordinators from the Parishes St Columba's Ballarat North, Our Lady Help of Christians Wendouree, St Alipius Ballarat East, St Patrick's Cathedral, St Aloysius Redan and St James' Sebastopol have been meeting to discuss centralisation of the Baptism preparation process. Commencing on the 3<sup>rd</sup> August at 10.00 am & 7.00 pm and monthly thereafter on the first Thursday of each month, all families wishing to have their children (under 7) baptized will be invited to attend these preparation sessions. All initial enquiries will still need to be directed to your own Parish.

**St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship – applications now open** . Details and application:

<http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

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### Notice Board:

 <p>Address: 1251 Doveton Street North, Ballarat, 3350</p> <p>Phone: (03) 5333 3101</p> <p><a href="http://www.petertobinfunerals.com.au">www.petertobinfunerals.com.au</a></p>	<p><b>John Thomas Electrical</b> 4 Dawson Street North Ballarat Vic 3350 Ph: 5331 3099</p> <p>We can help you with all your repairs and installation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Televisions                      * Public Address Systems</li> <li>* CCTV Systems                * Television Antennas</li> <li>* Home theatres &amp; Projectors</li> <li>* DVDs and Audio equipment</li> <li>* Household appliances</li> </ul>	 <p style="text-align: center;">OPEN EVERY DAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">8.00AM TO 9.00PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1010 STURT STREET BALLARAT</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>1/520 Mair St Ballarat 3350</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>0459546980</b></p>
 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ed Browne</b> <b>Busy Bookkeeping</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Phone 5364 2922</b></p> <p><a href="mailto:ballarat@busybookkeeping.com.au">ballarat@busybookkeeping.com.au</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Open Direct to the Public</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ballarat Meat Co.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, Thursday, Friday</p> <p style="text-align: center;">11 Neerim Crescent, Wendouree, <b>Industrial Park Ph: 5339 3122.</b></p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">P: 03 5333 5519    <a href="http://keyplay.com.au">keyplay.com.au</a></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Pre / Post Retirement, Centrelink and Aged Care Specialists</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ballarat HOLDEN</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Proudly supporting St Columba's Parish</p> <p>211 Gillies Street, Ballarat, VIC, 3350 Phone: (03) 5339 9333 Email: <a href="mailto:info@ballaratholden.com.au">info@ballaratholden.com.au</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="http://www.ballaratholden.com.au">www.ballaratholden.com.au</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>N.J. &amp; A.M. HAINTZ</b> <b>Building Contractors</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Phone: (03) 5332 3069</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mobile: 0418 504 254</p>	 <p>139 Bogong Ave</p> <p>Phone: 5331 4510</p> <p>Mobile: 0418 501 606</p>	 <p>Address: Shop 2, 1103 Howitt Street, Wendouree</p> <p>Phone: (03) 5339 1166</p>
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