

Parish Newsletter



Parish Priest of Daylesford & Creswick

Fr Gary A Jones

Supervising Priest for Parish of Gordon

Parish Admin: Leonie Bird

"We are a Child Safe Parish"



Sunday Mass 10.30am

Sunday Mass 8.45am

Parish Office: Phone 53018161 -Daylesford (Wednesday- Friday) 9.30– 3.00pm **Safeguarding Officer:** Leonie Bird

Parish Primary School: St Michael's Daylesford -Ethan Corfee & St Augustine's Creswick -Terry Brennan.

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Recent Death:

Anniversaries of Death: Mary Rolleri, Gladys Tratkiewicz, Peter Dwan, Lesley Ivey, Maria Jager,

Prayers for the Sick: Luke Taylor

Weekday Masses: NO TUESDAY MASS 14TH MAY FOR CRESWICK - Daylesford Friday's 10am

A Prayer for all Mothers,

*Thank you, Lord, that you fill a mother's heart with love,
That you have instilled in her very being the need to protect her children if at all possible, Thank you for giving her the gift of nurturing her children, of teaching them, of comforting them, for feeding them and making a safe place for them.*

For guiding them to be all that God has created them to be.

Fill every mother with love, wisdom and endurance, with strength and patience and joy.

Give them ability to forgive again and again.

Enable her to rely on You and call upon You, because You will give her all she needs.

In Your precious and all powerful name, Amen





Last Week's Collections: Two collections are presented after the Prayers of the Faithful. The 1st Collection is cash toward the Presbytery for the sustenance of our Priest – with a contribution of 13% to provide support for our retired priests and the Diocese. The 2nd Collection is the Planned Giving (envelopes) or cash for the administration of the Parish & general running costs.

Creswick Parish Collections: 1st Collection: \$320.35 2nd Collection: \$186.00

Daylesford Parish Collections: 1st Collection: \$406.10 2nd Collection: \$542.20



St Augustine's Pastoral Council & Finance Group: Next meeting Wednesday 15th May at 7pm at School Staff room.

St Augustine's Crying Room: will not be available for Parishioners Sunday 19th May; 26th May & 2nd June as the children of St Augustine's prepare for their sacrament of confirmation.

St Peter's Parish: all parishioners welcome to attend St Michael's School mass on Friday 17th May at 10am.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant This Sunday is traditionally referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. However, the readings for today focus more on the flock than on the shepherd. The overarching theme appears to be unity in diversity. Placing this theme within the context of the Easter season, we might refocus it slightly and suggest that today we celebrate the presence of the Risen Lord in communities of difference.

Unity in diversity is first found in the divine union of the Trinity. All other models of unity flow from it. Both the first and the second readings depict communities made up of people from every nation, race, people and tongue, Jews and Gentile alike. This is precisely the makeup of most communities today. Parishes and religious groups that were born with a particular cultural identity have changed in complexion and composition. Despite the obvious differences, all are children of the one God, all are joined in their common confession of faith.

Not everyone is happy with diversity. Some within the early community resented the success of Paul and Barnabas and they tried to turn the people against them. This sounds strangely familiar to us. Religious groups born out of struggle and hard work, that were lovingly nurtured and that grew strong, often resist what they perceived to be the invasion of foreigners. If these people could only take as their model the company of the blessed revealed in John's vision, they would see that those who have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb come from every nation and race and people and tongue.

Roster-weekend: 19th May	Daylesford	Creswick
Welcomer	Brian D & Kath C	Tony , Carol V
Commentator		Neil D
Reader	Ian T	Doreen S
Offertory/Gifts	Max & Anne O'S	Tony , Carol V
Special Ministers/Eucharist	Denise L, Marie B, Maree P	Josie R, Alastair, Roland K
Projector Operator/Ipad Music	Leah M	Loretta K, Phoebe
Sacristan	Denise Mc	
Counting Team	Hilary C & Sandra W	Kieran, Loretta