

Newsletter

St Peter's Church: Sunday Mass time 10.30am.

St Joseph's Blampied Midland Hwy

Parish Staff: Parish Priest: Fr Gary Jones

Parish Admin: Leah Monaghan (Safeguarding Officer also)

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Parish Office-Phone (03) 53018161 or Parish School

St Michael's School Principal: Mr Ethan Corfee

Parish Office hours:

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Recent Death: Chris Jones,

Anniversaries of Death: Douglas Heaton, Leslie McMahon, Anthony Kennedy, Helena Timewell, Mark Wellard, Neville Ciles, Julia

Geljon, Kathleen Milesi, Betty Smith, Des Callahan, Edward Whitty, Bernard Mulraney, Mary O'Connor



Congratulations to James & Briony Milesi on the Baptism of their

daughter *Nina Jennifer* at St Peter's today.



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 contribu-

tion 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 \$ 261.10 2nd Collection \$159.00

Daylesford Parish Collections:1st Collection \$ 538.90 2nd Collection \$130.00 Asylum Seekers Fundraiser The House of Welcome Ballarat is hosting a Soup and Sandwich Luncheon during Refugee Week on Wednesday, June 20 at Nazareth House Ballarat, 12.30pm. There will be performances, a presentation on "Caroline Chisholm – The Immigrants Friend", stalls, competitions and the launch of the 2018 major fundraiser (prizes include a family holiday in Victor Harbor). All funds raised will assist local asylum seekers and their families. Enquiries, ph. 0401 175 045 or 5332 2103.



Liturgy for Sunday June 24th @ St Peter's Daylesford

Reader: G Kirby Offertory: Chamberlain Family

Ministers: D Leonard, M Coffey, D McMinn Sacristan: Kath

Counters: June 17th (Team8) J Barker

June 24th (Team 1) L & M Righetti

Weekday Mass: No Masses





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St Augustine's Church: Mass Sunday 8.45am

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Mr Terry Brennan

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Gospel Reflection

This week's gospel is a wonderful example of the teaching style of Jesus. It even tells us that 'he would not speak to them except in parables'. Jesus used the parable form almost exclusively to share his message. He used imagery that was familiar to his audience; parables about the everyday life of a rural community: seeds, planting, growing, harvesting. The secret of Jesus' parables, when we understand the cultural context, is that there was always a 'twist in the tale' — what is called a 'discombobulating shift' — that turns the expected outcome of the story on its head.

This is nowhere more evident than in the image of the mustard seed. On the surface the parable is about the kingdom of God starting from very small, humble beginnings and growing into something great. However, immediately prior to this kingdom parable, Jesus has reminded us that the community makes a living out of growing grain crops like wheat for bread, etc. His parable about the mustard seed describes a tiny seed that grows into a great shrub 'so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade'. A farming community that was growing grain crops would be greatly alarmed at the thought of actually attracting birds to their fields or even nearby. Jesus' message about the kingdom of God is that it is actually disruptive and invasive. The kingdom brings unrest and disquiet to the predictable. The kingdom of God is unsettling. This is a much more challenging parable than it appears from a literal reading.

Liturgy Formation 2018 The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions this year; Ararat – Sunday, June 24; Hamilton – Sunday, July 29. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass at 10.30am with the formation program beginning at 12.00noon. Lunch will be supplied by the parish at 1.00pm. Attached is a flyer and registration form. Registration is also available via the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Evening Prayer at the Cathedral There will be five seminarians from Corpus Christi coming to Ballarat on Monday, June 18, 2018 and will be having Evening Prayer in the Cathedral at 6.30pm. All welcome to attend.



"St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

Envelopes are available for making contributions to the Winter Appeal at the end of seats and on the table at the back of the church.

Completed envelopes can be placed in the Poor Box at the door of the Church, given to a Vinnies shop or mailed using the address supplied"

St Joseph's Church Nullawil 90th Anniversary

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR will celebrate Mass on Sunday, July 8, 2018 at St Joseph's Church, Nullawil for the 90th Anniversary of the Church. Mass will begin at 11.00am, followed by a luncheon at Aushmore Museum, Quambatook Road, Nullawil. Payment on the day for lunch: 16 and over - \$20, high school students - \$10.00, primary students - \$5.00. Please rsvp for catering purposes to Kaylene James, ph. 0428 935 270 or Joan Smith, ajsmith@ativ8.net.au



Liturgy for Sunday June 24th @ St Augustine's Creswick:

Welcomers/Offertory: Irene M, Barb H Remote: Jess & Steve

Commentator: Brian RW Reader: Neil D

Eucharistic Ministers: Alastair H, Margie G, Angeline T

Weekday Mass: No Masses