

Newsletter

St Peter's Daylesford: Sunday Mass 10.30am

St Augustine's Creswick: Sunday Mass 8.45am

St Joseph's Blampied: Midland Hwy Blampied.

"We are a Child Safe Parish"



Parish Staff: Parish Priest of Daylesford & Creswick: Fr Gary A Jones Parish Admin: Leonie Bird

Parish Office: Phone 53018161 -Daylesford (Thursday, Friday) 9.00– 3.00pm Safeguarding Officer: Leonie Bird

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

Parish Emails: creswick@ballarat.catholic.org.au; daylesford@ballarat.cathlolic.org.au

Website: ballarat.catholic.org.au



Recent Death:

<u>Anniversaries of Death:</u> Betty Pilkington, Kathleen Johns, Shane Sause, Noel Rodgers, Rozelle Carman, Edna Glass, David Thomas, Kenneth Preston, Alice van Bevenen, Mary O'Hagan, Liberata Venneri, Alma Smith.

<u>Prayers for the Sick:</u> Luke Taylor, Pauline and Fred Stapleton

Weekday Masses: Creswick Tuesday's 10am & Daylesford Friday's 10am



<u>Volunteers for St Peter's Parish during Easter</u>: St Peter's is looking for extra volunteers (readers & special ministers) for Holy Week April 14th—April 20th, Passion Sunday 14th April, Good Friday 19th April, Easter Sunday 21st April. Please fill out form left at back of Church.

<u>Keys:</u> If anyone has keys to the Parish Centre at St Peter's , that they don't use, please return them to the office.

<u>St Augustine's</u>: During Lent there will be a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday from 7-8 pm at St. Augustine's.

Tuesday 2nd April at 2pm -Lenten Anointing Mass at the John Curtin, Huntley Room, Afternoon tea provided. **The Annual St. Augustine's Family Group Weekend away at Apollo Bay:** This year, it's earlier **Friday 6th to Sunday 8th of September**. More details to come closer to the date. New members to Family Groups are always welcome. For more information contact: Roland Kaval 0408 518 716 / Irene Martin: 5345 6284

Mass of the Oils: Monday, April 15, 2019: The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6.30pm on Monday, April 15, 2019. This Mass is a celebration of the whole Church of the Diocese of Ballarat. All members of the diocese are invited to participate in this celebration which truly expresses the unity of the Diocesan Church. Ministries required for the Mass of the Oils include ushers, readers, oils bearers, presentation of the gifts, collection of oils, musicians and singers. For further information contact the Pastoral Ministry Office, ph. 5337 7159 or pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

<u>Mercy Connect Ballarat</u> – Supporting refugee and asylum seeker students in local schools. Mercy Works is currently recruiting volunteers to support refugee and asylum seeker students in Ballarat Schools, through their Mercy Connect Project. The volunteer commitment is for approximately three hours per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred, but you will receive ongoing training and support. Initial training for new volunteers will be held in the next few months. Contact Donna Stewart - Mercy Connect Project Coordinator on 0417 624 330 or email: mercyconnectb@gmail.com for information and application form.



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The Second Sunday of Lent celebrates the epiphanies of God, the ways in which God's divine presence is revealed. The first divine epiphany is the manifestation of God as one who initiates a covenant, an intimate relationship with human beings. Not only does God initiate this agreement, but God also seals it with blood, making it official. Although we ritualise our relationship with

God in a religious setting, the call to enter into the covenant can come in the ordinary events of life. The important thing to remember about this covenant is that God enters into our lives and initiates the relationship. No life is too simple; no life is too busy. Human history in all of its contours is the setting for the encounter with God.

The glory of God is revealed in the transfigured Jesus, the one who discussed his suffering and death with Moses and Elijah. Lent is a time for us to enter into this suffering, not merely though reflection, prayer and penance, but concretely, by sharing in the suffering of the body of Christ. We see this suffering all around us.

God is revealed through women and men who live lives of Christian commitment. In those whose integrity strengthens us, in those whose religious sentiments inspire us, in those whose endurance gives us confidence. God is revealed in those who get involved in bettering the lives of others. God is revealed in very ordinary ways, if we but open our eyes to see.



Counters/Teams

Last Week's Collections: Two collections are presented after the Prayers of the Faithful. The 1^{st} 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 2^{nd} Collection is the Planned Giving (envelopes) or cash for the administration of the Parish & general running costs.

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Creswick Parish Collections: 1st Collection: \$315.50 2nd Collection: \$149.00

Daylesford Parish Collections: 1st Collection: \$313.90 2nd Collection: \$102.90

| Next Weekend Roster | Creswick Parish: | Daylesford Parish : |
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| Welcomer | Kath, Don, Darren | B Daglish |
| Commentator | Loretta K | |
| Reader | Carol V | R Thannhauser |
| Offertory/Gifts | Kath, Don, Darren | Cummings Family |
| Ministers of the Eucharist | Alastair, Barb H, Margie G | C Collins, M Bruce, D McMinn |
| Projection Operator/ iPad Music | Jess & Steve/ Neil D | |
| Sacristan | | Kath |

Mick G & Peter G