Parish Newsletter



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"We are a Child Safe Parish"

Safeguarding Officer: Leonie Bird



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Parish Priest: Fr Gary A Jones- Also visiting Priest for: Wendouree & Ballarat North

Parish School Principal: St Michael's Ethan Corfee St Augustine's Terry Brennan.

Sunday Mass times: Creswick 8.45am & Daylesford 10.30am

Country Church: St Joseph's Blampied; St Francis Xavier Chapel Eganstown Cemetery

Recent Death:

Anniversaries of Death:

Creswick – John Griffin; Monica Moore; Winifred O'Keefe; Mavis Rieniets; Jill Calder; Bennetta Wellard.

Daylesford- Myrtle Jones; George Rixon; John Sidoti; Reginald Green; Bernhard Pakula; Helen Clancy; Joanna Andrews; Noel Callahan; Jean Pardon.





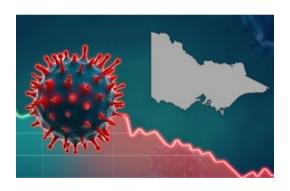
We would like to thank our community that continue to support us with planned giving and cash donations, it is much appreciated.

If you wish to donate please contact the Office on 5301 8161 and we can advise the best way for you to donate.



COIVD UPDATE

Based on the announcements by the Victorian Government, and the release of the Roadmap for Opening, our churches will not be allowed to reopen before 23rd November, and then it will be subject to the "density quotients" (which hasn't been defined). While this announcement is disappointing, we continue to pray and hope that this will be over soon.





Child Protection Sunday - September 13, 2020

The Catholic Church in Australia marks Child Protection Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. The Church takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk. Find out more at www.catholic.org.au/childprotectionsunday and www.catholicreligious.org.au/safeguarding

Prayers and Images in the Time of Virus

Following the success of Michael McGirrs' Trees in Solitude, Prayers and Images for Pentecost, Garratt Publishing are pleased to present a complimentary second 'Trees' series from Michael – Trees Without Masks. This is his first prayer.

Trees that Wait for Birds.

God of patience, we thank you for birds that sit quietly in branches

And wonder what we humans are doing down below. May they keep their business to themselves.

May we learn their lesson of stillness, Of oneness with trees and the earth. May we hold others as branches hold birds. Just like the story of St Kevin and the blackbird.

May we reach out Until the people we hold are ready to fly off on their own And leave us to wait for the next person you send.

Teach us how to love as your son taught us From a tree. Amen.



gospel focus

How many times?

Peter says, 'How many times should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Peter probably thought that he was being pretty generous. The religious law of his time required people to forgive three times, so by suggesting seven times, Peter would have thought that he was really going the extra mile. To forgive someone seven times is a pretty big call. But the number seven has great significance in scripture; it is regarded as a number of perfection. Peter is suggesting that there is an ideal number of times that one should forgive. Jesus blows this out of the water by saying, take that perfect number of times and multiply it by seventy. There is no perfect number of times to forgive.

Centacare support offering

Centacare's family and relationship team are offering support during COVID-19. For more information go to

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