What's On this week

Wednesday 15th Parish Pastoral Council 7:00 pm in Meeting room.

Liturgies this Week			
Tuesday	5.00 pm		
Wednesday	10.00 am		
Funeral Albert Culvenor			
Thursday	11.00 am		
	Kelaston		
Friday	10.00 am		

Collections. Thank you

Presbytery:1st	\$	697
Parish: 2nd Collection		
Envelopes:	\$1	,022
Loose:	\$	98
Credit Cards	\$1	,920
Direct Debit	\$	96

Next Week's Readinas 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Zechariah 12:10-11: 13:1 Galatians 3: 26-29 Luke 9: 18-24

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18/19 June - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday OLHC 6.00pm

Minister of the Word: Margot Mulchay Communion Ministers: Bev Hayward, Elly Green, Jovce Jackson, Yvonne Cluff, Frank Hoaan Sacristans: Val & John Bourke Leader of Song: Corrie Harbour, Michael Goss

Sunday OLHC 10.00am

Ministers of the Word: Anne Briody Communion Ministers: Peter Briody, Joy Lange Sue Searls + 2 volunteers Sacristans: Marg & Geoff McLean Leader of Sona: Sue Searls

8.30am Mass at the Rural Communities This weekend - Learmonth Minister of the Word: Fon Ryan Communion Minister: Clare Mullane

Next weekend - Waubra

Minister of the Word: Tony McDonald **Communion Ministers:** Kerryn Gallagher

Church Cleaning:

Waubra: Trish and Steve Coleman OLHC: Ena and Tony Bruty Counters: T. Pora, B. Ratcliffe, C. Clifford





Our Lady Help of Christians

Communities of Learmonth, Lexton,

Miner's Rest, Waubra, Wendouree.

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11h Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 12th June, 2016

Focus on the Scripture

Although the journey toward salvation is initiated by God, and everything that we need on that journey is supplied by God, salvation itself is never forced upon us. If we are to be saved, we must first acknowledge our need. If we are to be forgiven, we must first admit our sin. Then no sin, once admitted, is beyond the forgiveness of God. The corollary to admitting our sin is acknowledging the source of the grace of salvation. We do not earn our salvation. It is granted to us through faith in Christ, which itself is a gift from God.

Here the apparent tension seen in the gospel narrative takes the form of a question: Do we love because we are forgiven or are we forgiven because we first love? We are not forgiven because we love. We are forgiven because we are loved. Repentance may precede forgiveness but even repentance is a grace offered by God.

There is no way that we can repay God for the magnanimous mercy shown to us. However, gratitude is often expressed through service of others. The repentant woman in the gospel narrative was possessed by a desire to serve. Do we realise that the reconciliation with God which we enjoy makes us ambassadors of reconciliation for others? Do we do what we can, give what we have to further the ministry of reconciliation.

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Responsorial Psalm: The Lord God forgave you sin, you will not die. **Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! God first loved us and sent his Son to take away our sins. Alleluia.

Parish Pastoral Council membership

At the discernment evening last Tuesday night, Mario Cordioli, Sue Calistro and David Hastings were welcomed as new members of our Parish Pastoral Council. They replace outgoing members, Kevin Murphy, Andrew Black and Stephen Molloy. Many thanks to Andrew, Kevin and Stephen for their service over four years. Full membership of the PPC now is:

Ena Bruty, Frank Hogan, Deanna Osman, Margaret McDonald, Sue Calistro, Peter Dwyer, Mario Cordioli and David Hastings, with Fr Peter, Fr Frank and Paddy Ryan as ex-officio members. Vin Dillon Executive Officer.

Meet the Candidates

Pre-election Forum

You are invited to attend a pre-election forum to hear the viewpoints of the Candidates for Ballarat on issues for a Just Society, and ask them your questions.

Monday, 20th June, 6.00-7.45pm, Ballarat Central Uniting Church, corner Dana Street & Lydiard Street South, Ballarat.

Chasing Asylum

Documentary featuring never-before-seen footage from inside Australia's offshore detention camps on Manus Island and Nauru, and promising to "reveal the personal impact of sending those in search of a safe home to languish in limbo". Australian producer and documentarian Eva Orner. Regent Multiplex Theatre. Wednesday 15th June at 6.30pm followed by drinks and conversation at the George Hotel. Bookings can be made at http://twww.tugg.com.events/114601 5% of proceeds are donated to the Ballarat Rural Australians for Refugees (RAR).

OLHC Primary School Beanie Drive



During the month of May, students at OLHC primary school collected warm beanies, reaching out to Ballarat community members in need this winter. We thank all OLHC Parish Community members who assisted in this project by placing beanies in the basket in the Church foyer. We gathered 176 beanies which is a great effort. The 3BA Winter Appeal accepted the donation and will share the beanies with the Ballarat organizations, helping those in need this winter.

Jubilee 2016

Celebration of Jubilees of Ordination

Parishioners are invited to join with the priests of the diocese to celebrate the Jubilees of ordination of Frs. Dan Arundel, Damien Heath & Kevin Condon 60 years and Shane Mackinley 25 years at a celebration of the Eucharist, 5:00pm Tuesday 14th June at Our Church. Great milestones.

Parish Co-ordinator position

We have received a number of applications for the position and will be interviewing applicants during the week. Please keep the panel in your prayers so that we will make the right decision.



St Vincent de Paul

The usual meeting of our St Vincent de Paul conference will NOT be held this Monday due to the public holiday. The next meeting on June 27 will include the election of office bearers.

Church welcome sign

Masses this weekend will be the final opportunity for parishioners to consider wording for a Welcome/Farewell sign at the entrance to the church. A pen, some paper and a collection bin are available in the church gathering area for those who may want to contribute their thoughts. Your Parish Pastoral Council will consider the matter at its meeting this coming Wednesday.

Bus driver wanted:



The Exodus community is conducting a Woman's Camp at Ocean Grove, October 21-23 and are in need of a mini-bus driver. Could we have a kind volunteer (preferably female) to drive the women to Ocean Grove and back. Please contact Fr. Frank 53382118

Recent Deaths: Ted Lyons, Jim Keating, Margaret Ryan (Camperdown) Albert Culvenor

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.