What's On this week

Monday 11th July

St Vincent de Paul 2.00pm

Exodus need food

Non perishable items can be left in basket in fover. Thank you

Liturgies this Week

Tuesday 5.00 pm Wednesday 10.00 am **Thursday** 10.00 am **Friday** 10.00 am

Collections. Thank you

Presbytery:1st \$ 662 Parish: 2nd Collection Envelopes: \$ 1,546 Loose: \$ 118

Next Week's Readings 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:1-10 Colossians 1:24-28 Luke 10:38-42

Saturday OLHC 6.00pm Minister of the Word: Kevin Murphy

Communion Ministers: Bev Hayward, Des Lloyd Trish Pearce, John Kirby, Mavis McNulty

16/17 July - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacristans: Pauline Howard **Leader of Song**: Corrie Harbour

Sunday OLHC 10.00am

Ministers of the Word: Bill Jones

Gloria Dwyer, Peter Briody, Communion Ministers:

Elly Green + 2 volunteers

Sacristans: Mara & Geoff McLean

Leader of Sona: Sue Searls

8.30am Mass at the Rural Communities

This weekend - Learmonth

Minister of the Word:

Communion Minister: Bev Hayward

Next weekend - Waubra

Minister of the Word: Kerryn Gallagher Communion Ministers: Margaret McDonald

Church Cleaning:

Waubra: Margaret & Tony McDonald Beth Clark, Margaret McLean OLHC: Counters: Kath Connors, John Calistro

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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 10th July, 2016

Focus on the Scripture



The lawyer asked a self-serving question: 'Who is my neighbour?' He could then set the limits, the boundaries of those close enough to merit his concern. Jesus replies with a story to show that the better question is: 'To whom should I be neighbourly?'

The answer is: To any person who is wounded in any way – physically, psychologically, socially, economically. And we have to do so overcoming the labelling, even bigotry, which can conveniently put a person outside the range of our concern. When we act like the Samaritan, we deserve the title 'Catholic' which means universal.

Pope Francis says that Christ is constantly inviting us, as he invited Thomas, to touch His wounds which are to be found in the wounded of our own time.

We could pause for a moment to thank God that we live in an age of technology which can enable us to be truly Catholic global citizens practising Mercy Without Borders. 'Do this and you will live.'

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Responsorial Psalm: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia.

Diocese of Ballarat Lay Pastoral Ministry Program

An initiative emerging from the Diocese of Ballarat's 'Looking Forward' Two courses offered 1. Certificate in Pastoral Ministry 2. Certificate in Youth Adult Ministry. Course; 2 years, but no fixed timeframe. This program is being offered by the Ballarat Diocese in partnership with the Virtual Learning Community, Dayton University. More information available from the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or Amanda Smith, 53377125 or amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au Cost per subject \$68 for Diocesan participants. Payable through the parish or personally. Additional costs may apply. Brochure available.

Parish Luncheon Get-Together - All Welcome!

Wednesday July 20th at the Park Hotel Bistro, 12 noon. For booking purposes please add your name on the list in the Church foyer.

Stewardship (Planned Giving) Envelopes

Envelopes are now available in the church foyer. There is an envelope for those parishioners giving by credit card or direct debit.

If you would like to join the Stewardship program, forms are available at the envelope table or contact Chris Pearce on 0419 178 919. Thank you.



The Working Bee continues....

Due to damp conditions, the working bee has been rescheduled to Tuesday 12th July, 9.30am with a delicious morning tea included. Many hands will help. Thank you. The Property Committee.

Project Compassion Thank you

Thank you for your generous support towards the annual Caritas Australia Project Compassion appeal held during Lent. OLHC parish raised \$4,085.10. Nationally the appeal raised \$11 million through Catholic Parishes, schools and individual donations.



We welcome through Baptism,

Lucy, child of Tim & Monica Solomon, child of God.

Heading away for a few months?:

If you are going on the road, doing the grey nomad, heading north, let us know before you leave and we would love to give a blessing for safe and happy travelling and a safe return.



Annual Pope's Collection

Thank you to those who supported the annual Pope's collection which raised \$395.30.

Exclusion and Embrace: Disability, Justice and Spirituality Conference

This multi-faith Australasian Conference will be of interest to people with disabilities, parents, carers, academics, staff and volunteers. We will draw on personal stories and the wisdom and knowledge of all faiths, and will deepen our understanding of the many aspects of disability and spirituality. August 21-23, 2016 in Melbourne. Conference Speakers include: Prof Hans Reinders, Chair of Ethics at VU University, Holland and editor of the Journal of Religion and disability; Dr. Lorna Hallahan, Disability Insurance Scheme. Sponsors of the Conference are: The Australian Catholic University, Uniting Church Synod of Victoria and Tasmania, Christian Blind Mission, Progressive Christian Network Victoria, Christian Heritage College and some private donors. Enquiries: ann.byrne@victas.uca.org.au

Lucas Catholic Primary School Opening in 2017

A Community Consultation Evening will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at St Thomas More Primary School Alfredton from 7.00pm-8.00pm. This is your opportunity to have input into the school identity including the school name, motto, logo and colours and be updated on the building plans. All enquiries to Cass Klain cklain@ceoballarat.catholic.edu.au or website www.lucascatholic.primaryschool.com.au

World Youth Day At Home!

Live streaming of World Youth Day events will be available on http://www.xt3.com/wyd2016/ Connect with WYD in your parish or school for WYD events July 25-31, 2016 either live or via download afterwards. WYD Mass in Krakow with Pope Francis is on July 31. "Blessed are the merciful" is the theme of WYD. The WYD prayer and other info is available on the Diocesan website youth pages

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