St Columba's Parish - Ballarat North

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Mass Times: Saturday Vigil: 6pm

Sunday: 10am Wednesday: 9.30am

Supervising Priest:Fr Peter ShermanPriest in Residence:Fr. Barry RyanPastoral Leader:Judith O'SullivanParish Secretary:Genevieve WillmottLeadership Chair:Colleen Wakefield

School Principal: Kim Butler

10th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5th JUNE 2016

Deaths: Kaye Judd, Ray King, Paul Bourke

MINISTRY ROSTERS

New Rosters for the second half of the year will be ready in a week or so. If you have changed your contact details, particularly your phone number, please let me know in the parish office as soon as possible.

PROCLAIMERS

All proclaimers are invited to a formation session with Fr. Barry and Judith on either Wednesday, 15th June at 1.30pm or Thursday, 16th June at 7pm. This will be held in the Church. If you are unable to attend either of these dates please contact Judith on ph: 5331-7131 or pastoral@stcolumbasparish.org. If you would like to go onto the proclaimers roster, please also contact Judith.

ADULT EDUCATION SESSIONS

A reminder that the next Adult Education session conducted by Fr. Barry Ryan and Sr. Veronica Lawson will be held on Thursday, 9th June at the Mercy Centre, Ballarat East. Times are 1-3pm and 7-9pm.

OVERHEAD TRAINING

Kathleen Keogh will be running a training session for the overhead and music player in the church. I would like more people to know how to operate this equipment to assist during weekend masses to relieve those who are currently making themselves available each week. Time and date will be confirmed. Please contact Judith this week to 7131 register on: 5331 or email: pastoral@stcolumbasparish.org





Webber and Sam Barry Webber, the children of Angela and Gavin

and **Vali Winter Haynes**, daughter of Michele and Mark. Our newest members to join St. Columba's Parish Community will be baptised this Sunday morning.

We congratulate Ellie, Sam and Vali on becoming members of God's family.

MASS BOOKS FOR CONFIRMATION

We are seeking parishioners to purchase a Mass book for one of the Confirmation candidates. You may like to write a message in the booklet. These will be available this weekend for purchase. The books will cost \$10.

CONGRATULATIONS

Happy Birthday to Lorna Lea who is celebrating her 90th Birthday. Lorna is a valued member of our Parish and has been a prolific contributor to The East Timor knitting/crochet program since joining the Sew and So Group. She is amazing. Congratulations and thank you Lorna.

SEW AND SO....

Thursday 9th June at 1.30 in the Church Foyer. All welcome. Enquiries Margaret 53314032.

HOLY HOUR AND ADORATION

Holy Hour and Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament is on Friday 10th June from 7.00pm till 8.00pm in the church. All most welcome.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

The Appeal will be held after Masses at each door on the weekend of 18th & 19th June. Envelopes are available at



either the Piety Stall or the table in the foyer when leaving. Food donations are welcome and can be placed in the boxes provided in the foyer from next week.

RCIA NEWS

The RCIA Inquiry Evenings are starting again on Wednesday evening the 15th June, 2016 at 7pm in St. Patrick's Cathedral small hall, entrance via Lyons St. St. Columba's is an RCIA parish and without you, the parishioners, we would be unable to continue the way we do. We ask you to take a risk and invite anyone you think may be interested in exploring the catholic faith through our parish. We see this invitation as part of our discipleship which was entrusted to us through our own baptism. Should you know of anyone or are interested yourself please contact Judith at the parish office on 5331 7131. Leaflets are in the church foyer.

ST. COLUMBA FEAST DAY



St. Columba 521-597, Born probably in Donegal Ireland. He was of royal descent and studied at Moville under St. Finnian then in Leinster at the monastery of Clonard under another St. Finnian. He was ordained before he was twenty-five and spent the next fifteen years preaching and setting up foundations at Derry, Durrow,

and Kells.

He left Ireland at 42 and landed on the island of lona off the coast of Scotland. There he built the monastery which was to become world famous. With SS Canice and Comgall he spread the gospel to the Picts; he also developed a monastic rule which many followed until the introduction of St. Benedicts. He died on Iona and his feast day is June 9. Saint Columba is one of the three chief saints of Ireland, after St Patrick and St Brigid of Kildare.

ANGLICAN WOMEN'S GUILD BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

St. John's Anglican Church, Soldiers Hill cordially invite members and friends of the St. Columba's Parish to their 109th Birthday Celebrations to be held in the Parish Centre, 606 Armstrong Street North, Ballarat on 7th June at 2pm. Admission is \$5. The U3A Celtic Band will entertain and there will be afternoon tea, stall, entrance prize and raffle happening. Come along and join in the celebrations.

ASYLUM SEEKER FUNDRAISER ANNUAL SOUP LUNCHEON

Wednesday, June 22nd at 12.30pm Nazareth House Hall, Mill Street Entry \$20 or Concession \$15



Please come along and hear how former child soldier from

South Sudan, Isaac Moses, a Ballarat resident has risen from the trauma of war and displacement, to become an Australian citizen and student of Social Work at Federation University.

LITURGY FORMATION SESSIONS

The St. Columba's Parish Liturgy Committee invites any parishioners along to Liturgy Formation sessions in the diocese on Funeral Ministry as follows:

Birchip - July 24th
Ararat - August 7th
Hamilton - August 21st

Further information and registration is available on the diocesan website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

PARISH CALENDAR			
Morning Prayer	Monday 6 June 9.30am		
Mass	Wednesday 8 June 9.30am		
Sew & So	Thursday 9 June 1.30pm		
Morning Prayer	Friday 10 June 9.30am		
Holy Hour & Adoration	Friday 10 June 7-8pm		
Liturgy Team Meeting	Tuesday 14 June 7.30pm		
Mass	Wednesday 15 June 9.30am		
Morning Prayer	Friday 17 June 9.30am		
Morning Prayer	Monday 20 June 9.30am		
Mass	Wednesday 22 June 9.30am		
Bereavement Team Meet	Thursday 23 June 4pm		
Leadership Team Meeting	Thursday 23 June 7pm		
Family Group Leaders'	Thursday 23 June 7.30		
Meeting			
Morning Prayer	Friday 24 June 9.30am		
Morning Prayer	Monday 27 June 9.30am		
Mass	Wednesday 29 June 9.30am		
Morning Prayer	Friday 1 st July 9.30am		

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	For the support of the	
1 st Collection	Clergy of the Ballarat	\$870.70
	Diocese	
	-Last week's giving for the	\$1057.00
2 nd Collection	upkeep of the parish	
(Envelopes)	-Average given weekly for	\$2313.63
	this financial year (week 46)	
Sundry		\$126.45
Change		\$120.45

Reflection on the Gospel-Ordinary Time 10C (Luke 7:11-17) -Veronica Lawson RSM

Liberation or release for the most marginalised is at the heart of the mission of the Lukan Jesus. At the beginning of his ministry, we find him in his hometown synagogue in Nazareth, reading from the scroll of the prophet Isaiah and appropriating to himself and to his mission the words of the prophet. He knows that the Spirit of God is upon him and that God has anointed him to bring good news to the destitute and release to the shattered (Luke 4:16-20). As the gospel narrative unfolds, we hear story after story of Jesus bringing good news for the destitute and release for the shattered.

In today's gospel passage, he encounters a funeral cortege at the gates of Nain. He is said to be moved with compassion (*esplanchnisthē*) for the plight of a widow who is shattered and under threat of a life of destitution. Women who lacked the protection of a husband or adult son were among the most destitute in first century Palestine. The unnamed woman of our story has already suffered the loss of her husband. She now grieves for the loss of her adult son. For a widow to lose her only son was nothing short of shattering. She would be entirely dependent on the goodwill of neighbours and friends and whatever extended family she may have had. Jesus knows that the death of her son has made this woman even more dependent and vulnerable than she had been made by her husband's death.

Nain was a tiny village in the Valley of Jezreel in the southern part of Galilee. As in every town, the gate would have been the place where legal cases were determined and justice was delivered. Now, at the gate of this town, Jesus of Nazareth brings both mercy and justice. He feels the pain of the widow in his own being and responds by restoring life, not only to the young man, but to his mother, to the extended family and to the grieving village community. Like this young man, Jesus is the only son of a woman who had possibly been widowed by the time he began his public ministry. His mother is to know the same pain of loss as her unnamed "sister" in Nain.

The sight of the funeral procession and the tears of the woman elicit the compassion of Jesus. The verb "to have compassion" (*splanchnizein*) denotes a deeply felt response in the depths of a person's being. It implies not just an emotional response, but action for mercy and justice. Tears will function in next week's gospel reading as an instrument of hospitality. In this story, tears and touch bring life to a son who was lost and restore life to a community and to a family within that community.

DATE: JUNE 4 & 5			
DUTY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
WELCOMER	Margaret Ranger	Pat & Bernie Kenna	
COMMENTATOR	Shirley Edgar	Judy Brown	
PROCLAIMER 1	Tony Beggs	Terry Ranger	
PROCLAIMER 2	Jennifer Adams	Kierce O'Loughlin	
GIFTS	Simmons Family	Lorna Batty and Carmel King	
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST	K Lawry, H McBrearty, J Mullaly	M Kennedy, K Bennetts, I Monigatti	
LITURGY PREPARATION		Sr. Geraldine Mugavin	
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer please	Gabrielle Arrieta	
OVERHEADS	Volunteer please	Volunteer please	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY		Clare Fuller	
SACRISTAN	Trish Simmons	Josie Crowe	
ALTAR & FLOWERS	As arranged	As arranged	
•	DATE: JUNE 11 & 12		
DUTY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
WELCOMER	Catherine Fara	Alison Thorpe	
COMMENTATOR	Rosemary Fithall	Terry Grano	
PROCLAIMER 1	John van de Laar	Bruce Chapman	
PROCLAIMER 2	Eileen van de Laar	Anne Rossiter	
GIFTS	Edgar Family	Maureen & Hans van der Ploeg	
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST	B Clark, A Madigan, A Lacey	C Fuller, E Kennedy, M Martino	
LITURGY PREPARATION		Kathleen & Tom Keogh	
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer please	Gabrielle Arrieta	
OVERHEADS	Volunteer please	Volunteer please	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY		Ruth Hackwill	
SACRISTAN	Norah Moloney	Anne Rossiter	
ALTAR & FLOWERS	Helen O'Shea	Helen O'Shea	

Please remember it is your responsibility to find a replacement if you are unable to fulfil your role



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