SAINT MARY'S PARISH, DONALD

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Donald Monthly Mass Schedule. 1st and 3rd. 10:30am

2nd; 4th and 5th. 8:30am

Masses next Week 9/7/2017 14th Sunday

BIRCHIP 7:00 pm Saturday DONALD 8.30 am Sunday WYCHEPROOF 10.30 am Sunday

Weekday Masses: Tuesday No Mass

Wednesday 10.00 am Birchip

Thursday 10.00 am Friday 9.00 am

Recent Deaths: Anniversaries:

Sick: Margaret Belleville, Molly Byrne, Fr. Denis Dennehy, Frank Nolan,

PRAYER FOR A PARISH: We belong to the Diocese of Ballarat. This week we hold in our prayers the DONALD parish.

MINISTRIES NEXT WEEKEND 9/07/2017 14th Sunday

WELCOMERS: R & Brennan

COUNTERS: Peter Barbettit & Len Scarce

CLEANING: Valsa George
MASS PREPARATION: Sue Donnellon
MINISTERS OF THE WORD; 1 & Psalm: Colleen Tonkin
READING 2 & PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL: Leo Tellefson

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: Week 2 MUSIC: BC Guitars

PROCESSION OF GIFTS: Beth Robertson

STATE OF THE NATION: Presbytery: \$417.60

Parish: \$1970.00

Year to 30th June 2017 \$26,134.00 Promised: \$26,000.00 Year to 30th June 2017 \$24,839.55 Promised: \$25,000.00 Many Thanks. **PARISH ACCOUNT** BSB013605 A/C1998 90097

August until the New Year. (updated)

It seems likely that for the remaining part of this year, there will be the need to change some mass times, as I have been asked to be the sole priest for Donald, Birchip, Quambatook and Wycheproof.

Work is currently being done on a new roster, and I will soon be clearer about what it all means.

PARISH GIVING.

There are envelopes available at the back of the church for those who have been part of our Parish offerings over the past twelve months.

If you would like to make an offering or would like to change to direct giving to the Parish Account, note our BSB 014605, A/C 1998 90097.

If you want envelopes or have enquiries,

ring Fr. Eugene at the Presbytery: 54971112.

<u>Life messages</u>: 1) We need to be hospitable: Hospitality means encountering the presence of God in others, usually where we least expect to find Him. The virtue of hospitality is the virtue of recognizing the presence of God in others and nourishing this presence. Maybe we offer hospitality simply by offering a stranger a kind word or a smile. When we live in such a busy and hectic world, we tend to brush off people who need help. A kind smile or a "hello" to someone waiting with us in a grocery line may be the only kindness that person encounters all day.

2) We become fully alive as Christians through the generous giving of ourselves. What is more important than sending checks for charitable causes is giving of ourselves to people -- in the way we speak to them and about them, in the way we forgive their failings, in the way we encourage them, console them and help them, and even in the way we think about them. These types of generosity reflect warmth radiating from the very love of God.