

St Columba's Parish - Ballarat North

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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6pm

Sunday: 10am

Wednesday: 9.30am

Supervising Priest: Fr Peter Sherman
Priest in Residence: Fr. Barry Ryan
Pastoral Leader: Judith O'Sullivan
Parish Secretary: Genevieve Willmott
Leadership Chair: Colleen Wakefield
School Principal: Kim Butler



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 17th July, 2016

Deaths: Margo Driscoll, Molly Reilly, Avis Shannon, Sr Margaret O'Brien, Marinna Lenkic

Anniversaries: Mary O'Connor, Owen Moynahan, Patricia Collier, Mena Heagney, Bob Smerdon

PARISH OFFICE "TEMPORARY RELOCATION"

The Parish Office has temporarily relocated to the Our Lady Help Of Christians Presbytery, Gillies Street, Wendouree while we wait for permits to be granted and renovations to be completed. The phone number and email will remain the same.

During the relocation Judith will be available in the Church foyer most Friday mornings. Please contact her if you wish to make an appointment on ph: 5331 7131 or pastoral@stcolumbasparish.org

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - WINTER APPEAL

Food donations are still being accepted and can be placed in the boxes provided in the foyer.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE POPE

This will be taken up throughout the world. We will have a collection during the "2nd collection" this weekend. Through this collection we can support the Pope's pastoral care for people around the world.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement, titled: 'A Place at the Table: Social justice in an ageing society'.

Copies of the statement can be ordered online <http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/>

THE REMOVAL OF RIBBONS FOR SUPPORT OF SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIMS

We at St Columba's are working with other Ballarat parishes regarding this sensitive issue. A group of people including two St Columba's parishioners, travelled to St Marys Geelong three weeks ago and were involved in a beautiful ceremony cutting down the majority of ribbons which were then stored in a glass container in the Church. There are discussions in place and we are holding off until further advised (Leadership Team)

OUR DIOCESAN COMMUNITY

The latest edition of Our Diocesan Community is now available in the church foyer if you would like a copy.

WORLD YOUTH DAY AT HOME!

Live streaming of World Youth Day events will be available on: Xt3 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 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Please keep those attending in your prayers.



We are Eucharistic people, who love, pray, serve, hope and follow Jesus

SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST PREPARATION GRADE FOUR LEVEL

Below is listed the important dates for the preparation and celebration of the Sacrament of Eucharist which will be taking place in our parish during Term Three. This is the third Sacrament of Initiation following Baptism and Confirmation. Please contact Judith for more information on ph: 5331 7131.

Parent Information Session Launch night	Tuesday 9 th @August @7pm in the school
Masses to attend	Masses to attend
Saturday 13 th August	Sunday 14 th August
Saturday 20 th August	Sunday 21 st August
Saturday 27 th August	Sunday 28 th August
Adult Education Session	Tuesday 30 th August
Saturday 3 rd September	Sunday 4 th September
Celebration- Saturday 10 th September	Sunday 11 th September
Saturday 17 th September	



MICHAEL MANGAN WORKSHOP/CONCERT

Our school community has the opportunity to participate in a workshop and concert with Michael Mangan. He is a musician who sings religious songs, many of which we use in our school masses and liturgies. This year he has written music to complement the Year of Mercy. This concert will take place in the church on Wednesday 20th July from 2pm-3.10pm. Parishioners are welcome to join with our school community at this special occasion.

NAZARETH HOUSE AUXILIARY COFFEE PARTY

To be held on Friday, 5th August at 1.30pm at Nazareth House in Mill Street, Ballarat. All are most welcome. There will be a spinning wheel, entrance prize, devonshire tea, fancy good and produce stalls.



GRANDMOTHERS AGAINST DETENTION OF REFUGEE CHILDREN, BALLARAT

The election has come and gone and it seems that we are no closer in seeing the closure of Nauru and Manus.

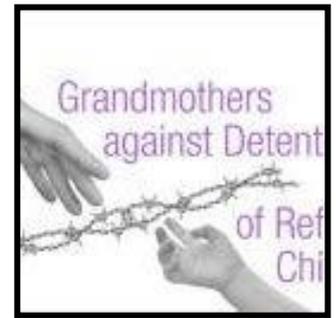
The focus of the Grandmothers Against Detention of Refugee Children is to bring to the attention of politicians and the community the fact that Australia detains children. There are children in community detention here and over 50 children languishing indefinitely on Nauru.

Please join us to keep reminding Ballarat –
DON'T FORGET THE CHILDREN

When: Thursday 21st July

Time: 12.00 – 1.00

Where: Outside the Town Hall on the median strip
Wear purple and rug up. Wet weather venue TBA
Contact Cath 0437185238



ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE 2018 YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

To be held on Wednesday, 26th October, 2016 at 7.30pm in the College Chapel.

The evening includes an address from the Headmaster Mr. John Crowley and Director of Junior School, Mr. John Richards.

The evening also includes a College Tour and supper and question time with St. Patrick's College Staff. If you have any questions, please contact Caitlin Bennett at cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au.

Words of Wisdom

*I won't complain
About everything I've been through...
Because that's nothing
Compared to everything
God has brought me through!*

PARISH CALENDAR

Finance Meeting	Tuesday July 19 @ 7.15
Mass	Wednesday July 20 @ 9.30
Leadership Team Meeting	Thursday July 28 @ 7pm

Thank you for your generous support

1 st Collection	For the support of the Clergy of the Ballarat Diocese	\$712.15
2 nd Collection (Envelopes)	-Last week's giving for the upkeep of the parish -Average given weekly for this financial year (week 3)	\$921.00 \$1,759.66
Sundry Change		\$ --
Special Collection	Pope's Collection	\$290.20

**Reflection on the Gospel-16th Sunday in Ordinary Time C
(Luke 10:38-42)**

-Veronica Lawson RSM

The story of Martha and Mary has been interpreted fairly consistently over the centuries. Mary's silent contemplative pose at the feet of Jesus is generally affirmed while Martha's action-oriented focus is seen as a less desirable Christian stance. To be a "Mary" is to "choose the better part". To be a "Martha" is to be "anxious and distracted about many things".

In recent times, some interpreters have re-evaluated this reading of the Martha-Mary story. They have drawn attention to the many voices that inform the gospels and have suggested that this particular text reflects a struggle in early Church communities over the role of women in leadership and ministry. One voice in the text comes from those who want to downplay the initiative of women like Martha and to affirm the silence of women like Mary. The same voice functions to pit the two women over against each other and to cast Jesus in the role of arbiter between them, approving Mary's choice over against Martha's. This voice has had the effect of creating a false dichotomy and of reducing the women to exemplars of active ministry on the one hand and of quiet contemplation on the other. In other words, the judgment of Luke's Jesus reflects the views of a certain group in Luke's house churches rather than the words of Jesus of Nazareth.

A more women-friendly voice in the text presents Martha as the householder who welcomes or receives Jesus into her household church. This is possibly the voice of a circle of women disciples who preserved memories of women like Martha and Mary in less divisive ways. For these women, Martha is a generous host who uses her resources for the sake of the community. She welcomes those who share faith in Jesus, among them her sister Mary. The designation "sister" does not necessarily denote blood relationship. Mary may be one among many sisters and brothers in faith who gather to hear the teaching of Jesus. According to the narrator, Martha is "pulled in every direction" (*periespato*) by many ministerial tasks (*peri pollēn diakonian*), and most leaders can sympathise with her in this. There is no indication in this description that she is distracted. This is in contrast with the subsequent evaluative comments of the Lukan Jesus: coming from the lips of Jesus, the expression "anxious and troubled by many things" services a negative interpretation of Martha's leadership.

This story is problematic in many ways. It forms part of a broader Lukan canvas where women provide the model for leadership but are more often than not excluded from its exercise. This is in stark contrast with the ways that women are presented elsewhere in the gospels, especially in John.

DATE: 16 & 17 JULY

DUTY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
WELCOMER	Jan Mullaly	Alison Thorpe
COMMENTATOR	Trish Simmons	Brenda Ryan
PROCLAIMER 1	Fran Sheehan	Irene Monigatti
PROCLAIMER 2	Auro Goh	Richard Francis
GIFTS	Kath Scanlon & Family	Mandy Carroll
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST	P, R & A Marquand	C Fuller, J Brown, M Martino
LITURGY PREPARATION		Sr Geraldine Mugavin
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer please	Gabrielle Arrieta
OVERHEADS	Volunteer please	Volunteer please
SACRISTAN	Sullivan Sisters	Megan Bourke
ALTAR & FLOWERS	K Merbach, G Skinner, J Crowe	K Merbach, G Skinner, J Crowe

DATE: 23 & 24 JULY

DUTY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
WELCOMER	SCHOOL	Dan & Mern Coutts
COMMENTATOR	SCHOOL	Judy Brown
PROCLAIMER 1	Jan Mullaly	Terry Ranger
PROCLAIMER 2	Kathleen Keogh	Kierce O'Loughlin
GIFTS	SCHOOL	Sharon De Beer
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST	T Keogh Jnr, A Lacey, T Simmons	K Merbach, B Ryan, C Wakefield
LITURGY PREPARATION		SCHOOL
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer please	Gabrielle Arrieta
OVERHEADS	Volunteer please	Volunteer please
SACRISTAN	Maree Phelan	Maureen van der Ploeg
ALTAR & FLOWERS	M Ranger	M Ranger

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

We are Eucharistic people, who love, pray, serve, hope and follow Jesus

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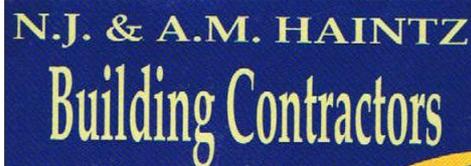
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