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COVID Safe Plan

Checking-in is no longer required. Face masks are no longer required in most indoor settings but they are still recommended. Carry a mask when leaving home. Masks are strongly recommend if you have any COVID-19 symptoms, are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19 and/or are outdoors and cannot physically distance.

- If you are feeling unwell or have any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough or sore throat) please do not attend Mass.
- If you are waiting results of a COVID test, stay home.
- Please use the hand sanitiser available upon entering the Church.

We appreciate your assistance in helping stop the spread of the virus.



Have you thought?
Life after death

The ancient Greeks, Romans and Egyptians all had detailed mythologies about life and death. For the most part, any concept of what occurred after death revolved around images of an underworld of torment and misery. The Jewish idea of a life after death begins to take shape based on the notion that the love of God for each person is so abundant and so indulgent that it is not limited even by death. However, the notion of resurrection developed to be an understanding of what would happen 'one day' – a great resurrection of all people at the end of time.

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence,
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;
let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;
we are brothers and sisters.
Give us the strength to live that truth in love,
choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Parishes of St Columba's and Our Lady Help of Christians

Communities of Ballarat North, Lexton, Miners Rest, Waubra, Wendouree

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The Parishes acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation people and the owners and custodians of the land.

Parish Priest:

Fr Marcello Colasante

Staffing

St Columba's

Office Hours: Wed—Friday
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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Safeguarding Officer:

Peter Marquand

Our Lady Help of Christians

Parish Co-ordinator and

Safeguarding Officer:

Maree Roache

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MASS TIMES (This week)

St Columba's

Sunday 10:00 am
Wednesday 10:00 am
Thursday 11:00 Funeral

Our Lady Help of Christians

Waubra 1st & 3rd Sunday 8.30 am

Beaufort 2nd & 4th Sunday 8.30 am

Lexton 5th Sunday 8.30 am

Wendouree

Saturday 6:00 pm
Thursday No Mass
Friday 10:00 am

Readings for Next Weekend:

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time

- Mal 3: 19-20
- Ps 97: 5-9 R.v.9
- 2 Thes 3: 7-12
- Lk 21: 5-19



6th November, 2022 - 32nd Sunday Ordinary Time (C)

Focus on the Scripture

Billy Elliott was a boy brought up in a strife-torn mining town in the north of England. He discovered a passion for dancing. At an interview at the Royal Ballet School which was going badly, he was asked: 'What do you feel when you're dancing?'

'I've got fire in my body.' And he got the scholarship because the panel realised that when Billy danced, he became 'fully alive': bodymindspirit fully integrated. When Billy danced, everything that Billy was, was dancing.

That is what our Resurrection is all about. Our whole personality will be dancing with the radiance of Divine Fire coursing through our bodymindspirit. The Sadducees' small-minded sarcasm could not grasp that we will be bodies transfigured, translucent to divine light and energy.

We could take a moment to pray that, by the grace of God, our bodies will dance, enflamed by Divine Love.

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Responsorial Psalm: Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his for ever and ever. Alleluia!

Recently Deceased: We commend to God: Bridie Cocks, Kathleen Kenna, Des Heenan

Anniversaries: We remember Patrick Green, Barry Flood, Damien Rowan. Phillip Auer, Nelson Long, Kevin Duggan, Mary Anne Roberts, Bianca Fraser, Jim Griffin

We pray: Those in need of our prayers: for the people of the Ukraine, those suffering in Africa, and those effected by flooding.

St Vincent de Paul Flood Appeal

The St Vincent de Paul Society has established a Victorian Flood Appeal. Contributions can be made by:

- Calling 13 18 12;
- Visiting <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>

You can also:

- make a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase;
- via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

Prayer for Flood Communities

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Lord, please be with everyone waiting to be rescued, keep them safe, and bring help to them soon. God, bless each and every person affected by this storm and surround them with Your love, protection, and angels. Let them know there are millions of us out here praying for them and their loved ones.



OLHC Parish Meeting Following a Parish Meeting conducted on Sunday June 26th, the next meeting is planned to be held on Saturday 19th November, following the 6:00 pm Mass. All parishioners welcome.

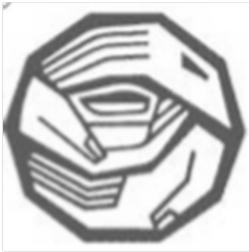
Prison Sunday: November 6, 2022 . Each year on the first Sunday of November, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Prison Sunday.

God of all life, Your son called us to be compassionate, just as You are compassionate. And so we pray: For our generous Earth, who, even when mistreated, continues to nourish and sustain us. May we grow in mutual care.

For our suffering peoples, who, even when facing injustices, teach us resilience and hope. May we grow in mutual care.

For each one of us, who, in times of vulnerability, draws on divine love and strength. May we grow in mutual care.

For our prison ministries, which, in times of change, find new ways of reaching out and in. May we grow in mutual care. And may we be blessed and inspired As we hear these words anew: "For you had compassion for those who were in prison." In the name of Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, Amen. 1 Heb 10:34



ACRATH 2023 calendar available now The 2023 ACRATH calendar features stories and information on forced marriage, ethical shopping, resources and important publications. It has become an important education tool for schools, parishes, workplaces and families. Along with the important role of raising awareness, the calendar assists ACRATH in raising funds to support its work. Order the calendar at <https://acrath.org.au/acrath-2023-calendar/>



We would like to thank you again for your generosity to the recent Catholic Mission Appeal, whether it be through a one-off gift or your commitment as a monthly Mission Partner.

Your generosity and prayers are supporting life-changing mission programs like the Deberety Goat Rearing Centre in Emdibir, Ethiopia, where the Church and community are working together to help support those in most need, like Neela* and her family, by addressing critical issues such as malnutrition.

To learn more about the impact of your support, visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work, where you can also sign up for our regular newsletter. If you missed your opportunity to learn about this vital mission program, or wish to lend your support once again, please go to catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia or scan the QR code available on OLHC church foyer.



East Timor Knitting Program: This program is continuing and we would be very grateful for any of the knitted sets or 80cm rugs. There is a set pattern available if you would like to take part. If you do not knit or crochet you can still participate by supplying 8 ply acrylic yarn, buying baby singlets or face washers which

are also included in the baby bundles. Donating money to buy the above would be gratefully accepted. Please contact Lauren 0405277778 or Margaret 53314032. We hope you will consider being part of this project. Finished garments can be left at St Columba's Church, the Sew and So group or OLHC. We can also arrange collection if required.

"Sew and So" Thursday 10th November 2022 at 1.30pm in the Foyer at St Columba's Church. All welcome. Enquiries Margaret 53314032.

Australian Catholics magazine available in the foyer.

Pope Francis' intention for November: For children who suffer: Let us pray for children who are suffering, especially for those who are homeless, orphans and victims of war. May they be guaranteed access to education, and may they have the opportunity to experience family affection.



The OLHC Parish community welcomes Sawyer Solomon, son of Monica Hogan and Tim Sawyer. May he continue to flourish in the love and re of his family and our parish community. *"The Church gives faith to your children through baptism and you have the task to make it grow..."* Pope Francis.



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OLHC Christmas Day Lunch For the 31st year the OLHC Christmas Day Lunch will again be held in our parish. The co-ordinating team met on October 24th to commence planning for this year's event. The team is delighted that after two years of takeaway Christmas lunches because of Covid restrictions, this year we are able to have a sit-down meal. This fulfils one of the key reasons for the lunch which is to provide a community experience for those who otherwise will be spending Christmas Day alone. Bookings open on **November 10th** and can **only** be made by phoning **0419 975 914**. Numbers will be limited to 145 guests so please advise anyone you know who may be wishing to attend to book early.

St Columba's 13th November	(next week)	Sunday 10:00 am
LEADER of SONG	Terry Ranger	
COMMENTATOR	Vicki Moroney	
MINISTER OF THE WORD	Min Myers	
COMMUNION MINISTER	Ruth Marquand	
DIGITAL PORJECTOR	Bruce Chapman	
SACRISTAN	Volunteer please	

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OLHC 12th November	(next week)	Saturday 6:00 pm
LEADER OF SONG	Corrie Harbour	
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Elly Green	
MINISTER OF THE WORD	Ena Bruty & Harry Kennedy	
COMMUNION MINISTERS	Pauline Newman & Pat Dillon	
SACRISTAN	Lyn Gray & Kylie Gray	
Waubra Church cleaning	November: Steve & Trish Coleman	

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