

Parish Newsletter October 16, 2016

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DECEMBER 8TH, 2015 - NOVEMBER 20TH, 2016

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

Show us your face and we will be saved.



PARISH VISION STATEMENT:

Our Parish is a welcoming and inclusive community, based on the Christian ethic where our lives are enhanced by worship that enriches, leadership that is shared and service that cares.

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WEEKDAY MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: 10am Wed, Oct 19

St Peter's, Daylesford: 10am Fri, Oct 21

WEEKEND MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: 8.45am Sunday, Oct 23 St Peter's, Daylesford: 10.30am Sunday, Oct 23

NEW ROSTERS - UPDATE

A holdup in getting them compiled this week - won't be available 'til **NEXT SUNDAY** now!:(

ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS MASS TIMES

All Saints Day: Tuesday, November 1 10am @ St Peter's Church, Daylesford

All Souls Day: Wednesday, November 2 11am (a) St Francis Xavier Chapel, Eganstown

Mass at Pootilla Cemetery

Mass will be celebrated at Pootilla Cemetery (Bungaree) on Sunday 13th November, 9.30am. All welcome. Some chairs provided; BYO if possible. Info: ph. 5334 0450

BLAMPIED - St Josephs Community

Dinner at Swiss Mountain Hotel after 6pm Saturday Mass, October 22nd.

~To honour and farewell Carmel Rieniets and thank her for her many years of service as Sacristan ³

Dinner and Drinks at Hotel Prices- All Welcome! Please Book with Colleen 5345 7281

IN NEED OF YOUR PRAYERS





Jacquelin Balfour (died recently)

Faye Haintz, William Behan, Jean Hall, Catherine Charleson, Bernice Mitchell

(anniversaries of death Thurs - Wed)

Kevin Preston, Jeanette Morris, Pat Tacey, Pat Prendergast Sandra Kenyon (unwell at this time)



BAPTISM

Hamish Patrick Nolan. will receive the Sacrament of Baptism this morning

We welcome Hamish, his parents, Stephanie & Eamonn, and their family & friends present here today

"Never abandon prayer, even when it seems pointless to pray. Pope Francis

ROSTER for NEXT Sunday, Oct 23

Reader: Brian Leaders: n/a Comm'tor: Alastair Sp Minister/s: Barb-Alastair-Aileen Welc'/Offer'v: Loretta & Roland

Remote: Lois Counters: Mick & Pete Cleaning THIS week: Izabelle & Pat

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

for October & November 2016 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (vr 3) **DISMISSAL SUNDAYS** (Each child must attended):

- Oct 30; Nov 6; Nov 13 -

[Nb. GLASS ROOM down the back will be reserved for the children on these dates]

CELEBRATION of Confirmation

Sunday, Nov 20th

Creswick 8.45am Daylesford 10.30am

RETREAT AFTERNOON

'Beyond the Year of Mercy'

A retreat afternoon, which is open to all adults, is to be held at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall. Ballarat on **Sunday, October 30**, 2016 from 1.30pm, concluding with 5pm Mass. The afternoon will be led by Sr Veronica Lawson, a Sister of Mercy from Ballarat, biblical scholar and author of "Blessings of Mercy."

Registrations through the Cathedral Parish Office ballarat@ballarat.catholic.org.au ph. 5331 2933.

Fr Andrew Hayes presents 'BOUNDLESS PLAINS'

- The Spoken Word -

(A high octane poetry recital for those who've come across the seas)

OHLC Church, Wendouree

Thursday, **November 3** @ 7pm

Suggested \$10+ donation (adults) for Asylum Seeker Resource Centre

Primary school children free. Pre-Recital drinks. Poster on back Noticeboard

Collections from last week (with thanks) 1st (Priest Support) - \$269.00; 2nd (Planned Giving-Parish) - \$279.00

THIS MORNING

(October 16)

Monthly Parish Catch-up over a Cuppa Smokevtown Café, Creswick

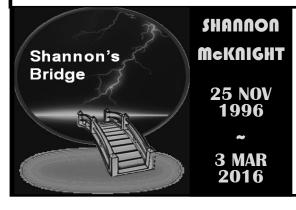
Straight after Mass — for All Parishioners & Visitors

Gospel Reflection Dianne Bergant CSS

The readings today offer various aspects of prayer for our consideration. There is the spiritual discipline of prayer itself, which is essential to the life of the disciple: there is the communal dimension of prayer; and there is the ministerial commitment that is born of prayer. Our personal prayer must be persistent. Like Moses and the woman in the gospel reading. we must be ceaseless in our prayer, **not** discouraged by difficulties that we might have to face. Regardless of how strange the first reading may appear to be, it very strongly emphasises the communal dimension of prayer.

As minister of the word, Timothy is admonished to keep preaching the gospel, to keep spreading the good news, to allow the scriptures to continue to be a source of wisdom for himself and, through him, for all of the people who hear him. To have this kind of facility with Scripture requires that one enter into the deep meaning of the Scriptures and make them the basis of one's prayer. One must engage in what the monks call lectio divina, prayerful reflective reading of the scriptures. This practice, or spiritual discipline, gives us access to God and it also gives God access to us. It gives us the courage and the gentleness to teach, to refute, to correct. When our ministerial activity flows from prayer, it also flows from & strengthens right relationships with God and with the community.

When this becomes a reality, the Son of Man will indeed find faith on earth.



SHANNON"S BRIDGE is a new, not-for-profit organisation to help connect patients and families with services to help with home-based care at end of life. They will support you with issues about illness, dying and loss. The aim is to remove the taboo and change attitudes about death and dying. The focus is on "not just a good death" but "better living".

INFO NIGHT: Tuesday, 18 October ~ from 6pm The FARMER'S ARMS HOTEL, CRESWICK

Find out more: gofundme.com/2825bdje - FLYERS ON BACK TABLE