



Parish Newsletter October 16, 2016

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YEAR OF MERCY

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

**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)

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 @ 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 ~

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



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'y: Loretta & Roland
Remote: Lois
Counters: Mick & Pete
Cleaning THIS week: Izabelle & Pat

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

for October & November 2016

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (yr 3)

DISMISSAL SUNDAYS (Each child must attend):

- 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.
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**SHANNON
McKNIGHT**

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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 Smokeytown 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**