



Parish Newsletter May 22, 2016

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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: Wed May 25

St Peter's, Daylesford: 10am Thur/Fri May 26/27

WEEKEND MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: 8.45am Sunday, May 29

St Peter's, Daylesford: 10.30am Sunday, May 29



Jessie Stone, Thomas Dixon,
Ethel Skews
(anniversaries of death)

Sandra Kenyon, Pat Prendergast,
Imelda McGrath, Jeanette Morris
(unwell at this time)

PLEASE continue to PRAY

for our Parish **Grade 4** children (& their families)
as they prepare to receive the

Sacrament of Eucharist next **Sunday, May 29**

As part of their preparations, they will join us again at
Mass TODAY



Eliza Wray, Max Treweek
Charlotte Preston, Angus Barrett
Paddy Bennett, Mia Wallis
Claudia Martin, Poppy Charleson
James Martin
Jamie-Lee Donovan-Clancy

Today is
**TRINITY
SUNDAY**

POPE FRANCIS:

*"By thinking that everything
is black and white, we
sometimes close off
the way of grace
and of growth."*

A PRAYER FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

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.
You are the visible face of the invisible
Father, of the God who manifests his
power above all by forgiveness and mercy:
let the Church be your visible face
in the world.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every
one of us with its anointing, so that the
Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace
from the Lord, and your Church, with
renewed enthusiasm, may bring good
news to the poor.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through
the intercession of Mary, Mother of
Mercy; you who live and reign
with the Father and the Holy Spirit
for ever and ever. Amen.

(from the Jubilee Prayer of Pope Francis)

May 29 (NOTE:- 1st Eucharist: some roles may be taken by school - to be advised)

CRESWICK

Reader:	Steve S
Leaders:	n/a
Comm'tor:	Pat T
Sp Minister/s:	Barb-Margie-Judy
Welc'/Offer'y:	Veits
Remote:	Alastair H
Counters:	Pete & Mick
Cleaning this week:	Bernie & Pat T

HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY MARY BELL

(for Tuesday, May 24)



Collections: Both weekly collections occur after the General Intercessions.
Last week: 1st (Priest Support) - \$439.00 2nd (PG/Parish) - \$2290.05

A PRAYER FOR THE FARMERS

Lord! Lord! Where are You, Lord ?
Our farmers need a hand.
Only You can quench the thirst of our parched
and arid land.

Lord! Lord! Where are You, Lord ?
Give them hope again.

Send down Your Blessing on them
in the form of soaking rain

Lord! Lord! Where are You, Lord?
Have You gone in hiding?

Help us search and find You -
this drought's so long abiding!

Our prayers cannot be all in vain,
Only You can send the rain, make creeks
and rivers overflow, pastures green and grasses grow.

Take pity on the plight we're in
Fodder's short, the stock is thin.

Only You can bring about an end
to devastating drought.

We ask this in your name...

Amen

St A's SCHOOL AWARDS

Principal's Award:

Lauren Aver

Kindness:

Caitlan Young & Charlie Jones

Gospel Reflection

by Dianne Bergant CSS

Both the first reading and the psalm response celebrate the marvels of creation and the marvelous creator who brought them into being. Proverbs states that God created all of these things through Wisdom. While later theology will identify Wisdom with both the Word of God, the second person of the Trinity, and the Holy Spirit, the third person, the reading itself does not suggest this.

Paul credits God with our justification through faith. Justification or salvation is accomplished by God through our Lord Jesus Christ. The love of God is poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Paul does not clearly state that the love of God that we receive through the Holy Spirit sanctifies us, but one could certainly understand it in this way.

John's theology resembles very closely that of Paul. In it, Jesus reveals the intimate connection between himself and the Father as well as himself and the Spirit. The Spirit continues the mission of Jesus, neither adding anything to his teaching nor omitting anything from it.

While this is a feast that glorifies the central mystery of our faith, a mystery that is based on the way the three divine persons relate to each other, the readings all address ways that God relates to us. If we concentrate, as the texts for today suggest that we do, on all of the ways that our Triune God has blessed us, we may be more inclined to cry out with the psalmist: 'O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!'