

### Parish Newsletter May 29, 2016

<u>CRESWICK OFFICE</u> Hours: \*\*Wednesdays 10am · 11am. (\*\*If Wednesday Mass )

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## YEAR OF MERCY

DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 - NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

Lord Jecuc Chrict, 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 -**

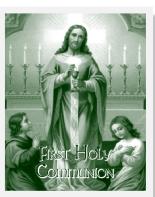
St Augustine's, Creswick: 10am Wed June 1 St Peter's, Daylesford: 10am Thur/Fri June 2/3

### **WEEKEND MASSES** -

St Augustine's, Creswick: 8.45am Sunday, June 5 St Peter's, Daylesford: 10.30am Sunday, June 5



to our First Eucharist children 2016



Max Treweek
Charlotte Preston,
Angus Barrett
Paddy Bennett,
Mia Wallis
Claudia Martin,
Poppy Charleson
James Martin

Jamie-Lee Donovan-Clancy





Mary McInerney (died recently)
Debbie Morris, Daniel Blanks,

Frances Power

(anniversaries of death)

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

# 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)

June 5 **CRESWICK** 

Reader: Brian R Leaders: n/a Comm'tor: Angeline T Aileen-Alastair-barb Sp Minister/s: Welc'/Offer'y: Josie & Brain R Remote: Neil D

Counters: Bernie & Pat Cleaning this week: Bernie & Pat

National Volunteers Week- Established in 1989, National Volunteer Week is the largest celebration of volunteers and volunteerism in Australia, and provides an opportunity to highlight the role of volunteers in our community and to say thank you to the more than 6 million Australians who volunteer. The Catholic Diocese of Ballarat acknowledges and appreciates our wonderful volunteers in all areas of our church communities and thank them for their time and commitment.

National Reconciliation Week 2016: 'Our History, Our Story, Our Future' -The week of May 27 – June 3 is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and to explore how each of us can join the national reconciliation effort. See the Reconciliation Australia website for more information www.reconciliation.org.au/nrw/

OLHC Parish Wendouree – Parish Coordinator Vacancy OLHC Parish Wendouree invites applications for the part-time position of Parish Coordinator (12 hours per week). A role description and application form can be accessed from the diocesan website http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/ search Employment or Wendouree Parish.

#### St A's SCHOOL AWARDS

Principal's Award: Roy Martin Kindness Award: Indi Daniel & Jamie-Lee Donovan-Clancy **Collections:** Both weekly collections occur after the General Intercessions. Last week: 1st (Priest Support) - \$247.10 2nd (PG/Parish) - \$315.50



### 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

## Gospel Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

This Feast combines the previous feasts of Corpus Christi and the Precious Blood of Christ. It reminds us that the body and blood of Christ were offered as a sacrifice for us, and every time we re-enact this sacrifice, we renew his sacrifice. The Body and Blood of Jesus is the Interim meal for the Christian community. We are to feed on it until the Lord returns. We see again the already-but-not-yet character of Christian eschatology, for the Lord has already returned. That means that the Eucharist meal is a re-enactment of Christ's death, an anticipatory celebration of his coming, and a thanksgiving banquet with him present.

The multiplication of the loaves and the fishes prefigures the eschatological banquet of fulfilment. Its miraculous bounty assures us of the abundance of that future banquet.

Its miracle of multiplication prefigures the miracle of Jesus as he changed the bread and wine into his own body and blood. Jesus handed himself over as food and drink on the very night that he was handed over by others. The banquet that he prepared was a celebration of the new covenant; it was an eschatological banquet of thanksgiving. This feast invites us to enter through either the past, the present or the future, for each one will lead us to the mystery that we celebrate: the mystery of the sacrifice of Christ; the mystery of the sacred bread and wine of the future; the mystery of the eschatological banquet of the present.