

Our parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

St Alipius' Parish acknowledges the traditional owners and custodians of this land and we pay our respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

St Alipius' Parish Church 82 Victoria St. Ballarat East 3350

SS Peter & Paul's Church 701 Fisken St. Buninyong 3357

FEAST OF ST MARY MACKILLOP AUGUST 8, 2021

Mass in the Parish

This weekend mass will be able to be viewed through www.sapliturgy.net.au

This will be available for viewing by 7.00 pm Saturday. Please note: This mass is recorded and can be celebrated at any time in your home.

Parish Office & Presbytery:

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Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Friday 10.00am to 2.30 pm

Liturgy Online:

www.sapliturgy.net.au

Parish Priest: Fr. Jorge Jr De Chavez, OSJ

Parish Coordinator:Bronwyn BallestyChild Safety Officer:Bronwyn BallestyFinance Officer:Kerrie McTigue

Finance Com. Chair: TBA

Liturgy Coordinator: David Santamaria

Funeral Ministry: Carmel Flynn, Kathy Curran

Masses during the week St Alipius' Church,

There will be no week day mass this week.

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 9:00 am (1st, 3rd and 5th)

10:30 am (2nd and 4th)

Wednesday prayer to St Joseph (after mass)

Rosary and divine Mercy will be said each morning after 9.30am mass. Please join us on the left of the church

<u>Ss Peter & Paul's Church,</u> Buninyong

Sunday 9:00 am (2nd and 4th) 10:30 am, (1st, 3rd and 5th)

Mass Options and Resources for Prayer

Ballarat Diocese Website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Counting Team Number ??? is on this week

In our prayers we remember.....

Recent Deaths: Vic Maguire, Donald Bartlett

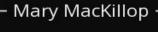
Anniversaries: Margaret Dunn, Bill Maguire, Tess Maguire, Michael Kent, Edward John Duck

Unwell: We pray for Ben Busuttil, Valerie Reilly (UK), Anne D'Cruz (Singapore), Angie De Run (Malaysia), Peter Saunders, Juanita Rickard, Seamus McGettigan, Pat Hogan, Agnes Peters, Leticia Tanes, Brian (Jack) Patton, Ray, Kateri

Byrnes, Ann Coswello, Heather Healy, Peter Martin, Margie Wilmott, John Beattie, Letitia Simmons, and all who are

unwell.







Whatever troubles may be before you, accept them bravely, remembering Whom you are trying to follow. Do not be afraid. Love one another, bear with one another, and let charity guide you all your life. God will reward you as only He can.

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First Eucharist



Congratulations to the 160 children that will be preparing for the First Eucharist in the coming weeks. We ask all parishioners to keep these children in your thoughts and prayers as they walk with Jesus in preparation for communion.

St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

We invite you to be part of our annual Winter Appeal.

This year's Appeal targets one of the most basic of human rights – the right to have a home. We focus on the impact of homelessness on families and children, particularly as we recover from the effects of COVID-19.

We are most grateful for the support we receive from our parish as it enables us to continue our support for those in need.

If anyone is interested in joining our group please contact the parish office for further details.

Parishioners can direct donations to our conference by:

- Calling 13 18 12 and confirming the name of the conference over the phone
- Donating online at vinnies.org.au and entering the conference name in the "Comments/Conference Name" section.
- Using the Envelopes available at the end of the pews.
 Completed envelopes can be placed on the collection plate.





House for Rent

We currently have a long term parishioner looking for a 2 bedroom house or unit with garage to rent. Would need to be single level. If you can be of any assistance with this please contact the Parish Office. Thank you

Planned Giving



Should you wish continue our Planned Giving or contribute to the First Collection, please place your offering in an envelope into the mailbox near the front door of the Presbytery. Any queries regarding Planned Giving, please phone our Finance Officer Kerrie McTigue, on 53 312 933 or via email: ballaratoffice@ballarat.catholic.org.au

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We thank you for your continued Support



Congratulations

We congratulate Fr Eladio, OSJ on his

17th Priestly Ordination Anniversary.

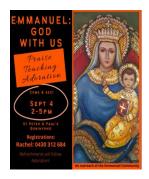
We ask that our community keep him in our thoughts and prayers.



Thank you

We wish to thank Paul Jans for his generosity of time and spirit as he steps down as Chair of the Finance committee. We wish Paul all the best in his future endeavours.

Thank you Paul



Emmanuel: God With Us

Anyone that may be interested in practising and or learning more about Adoration, please look at the wonderful opportunity that is being held within our parish community.

Further details can be given by contacting Rachel directly.

CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. CatholicCare Victoria delivers counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, support for separating families, homelessness support and pastoral care. CatholicCare Victoria works with individuals, families and communities, to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential. Please donate to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help the vulnerable and marginalised in our community and empower everyone to reach their full potential. You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

Virtual Conference

Every two years Catholic Mission, in partnership with Catholic Religious Australia, hosts the <u>Mission: one heart many</u> <u>voices conference</u>. The purpose of the conference is to lead people into an exploration of the transformative leadership that is needed for our times. Particularly looking at how the church can be a strong civil society leader to bring about the changes called for by Pope Francis in his documents such as *Fratelli Tutti* and *Laudato Si*.

This year the conference is completely online and provides participants the opportunity to experience a diverse range of international and local speakers with broad lived and practical experience in their respective field. This conference will encourage participants to explore '**Leadership for Mission Now**' through the frame of an open mind, open heart and open will, embracing curiosity, compassion and courage.

When and where: St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Glowery Room, September 1 to September 3.

Cost: FREE

Hosts: St Patrick's Cathedral Parish and Catholic Mission, Ballarat Diocese

Registration: m.susan@optusnet.com.au

RSVP: Friday 28th August, 2021



Reflection on the Gospel- Feast of St Mary McKillop (Matthew 6:24-34)

Today's trouble is enough for today!' These are the concluding words of the gospel for today's feast. We are "not to be anxious". Rather, we are invited to be single-minded in our commitment. The challenge of this gospel is to live in the present, in right relationship and connection with the whole Earth community and to trust in the goodness and providence of God.

In What Makes Us Tick? Hugh Mackay claims that there is an epidemic of anxiety in the Western world. He reflects on our need to embrace our connectedness with ourselves, with each other, and with nature. If our innate desire to connect is frustrated or neglected, Mackay believes that the desire to control and the desire to be taken seriously will "expand unhealthily". From a faith perspective, it is all a question of daily attention to the right ordering of our relationships with the material world, with one another and with God. Anxiety inhibits healthy living and impacts negatively on our communities.

The challenge not "to be anxious" appears six times in this one gospel reading. Three times in this passage Jesus tells the assembled crowd, including his disciples, not to worry. They are not to be anxious about food or drink or clothing. Neither are they to worry about what tomorrow might bring. It is clear that Jesus does not discount the human need for food and drink and clothing, for he states explicitly that God knows that they need all these things (6:32). Jesus' concern is with their "little faith" or their lack of trust in God's capacity to provide for the needs of all living beings. He challenges his listeners to be attentive to the processes among all living things, such as the way the birds of the air are fed and the lilies of the field are clothed. He also invites attentiveness to the life-sustaining processes at work in our own bodies. The hairs of our head, for instance, grow without any effort or anxiety on our part.

Jesus places all of this in the context of the right ordering of our relationships with the whole Earth community, expressed in terms of seeking God's kin-dom and God's "righteousness". There is an echo here of Matthew 5:6 where those who hunger and thirst for righteousness are said to be blessed and told that they will "be filled". In other words, God will care for them in the same way as God cares for the birds of the air and the lilies of the fields. There is no better role model for this than St. Mary McKillop who learned from childhood what it meant to trust in the providence of God. She also learned that the bounty of God is mediated through the compassion of those who have the means to meet the needs of all who struggle to survive. We might take time this week to find out more about this remarkable Australian woman.

St Mary of the Cross

First: 1 Kg 17:8-16; Second: Col 3:12-17 Gospel: Mt 6:25-34

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

First: Apoc 11:19, 12:1-6, 10

Second: 1 Cor 15:20-26 **Gospel:** Lk 1:39-56

