

Parish Newsletter - June 18, 2017

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St Thomas Aquinas, Clunes (no longer a Sunday Mass Centre)

► St. Joseph's Church, Blampied

Note: No Mass until further notice ◀

Diocesan Website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (online parish newsletter)



Anniversaries of Death (Thurs - Weds): Douglas Heaton, Leslie McMahon, Tony Kennedy, Helena Timewell, Mark Wellard, Neville Giles, Julia Geljon

Unwell at this time: David Preston, Luke Taylor (Imelda McGrath's great nephew), Brad Simpson, James Stacey,

Pat Prendergast, Mary Bell

NO - no 10am TUESDAY MASS in CRESWICK this week

> (10am Thursday & Friday as usual in Daylesford)

THIS WEEK: REFUGEE WEEK 18-25 June 2017

"With courage let us all combine" Program on back table

ROSTERS for Sunday, 25th June

Cleaners (before next Sunday): Mick & Carmel Gr; Welcomers/Offertory: Irene M & Barb H; **Remote:** Jesse & Steve SCHN; **Commentator:** Brian RW; **Reader:** Ace; **Special Eucharistic Ministers:**

Josie R, Judy S, Angeline Tr; Counters: Mick Gr & Pete G

REMINDER

Pastoral Council & Finance Team meeting

TOMORROW NIGHT Monday June 19

7.30pm at the school

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - Year A

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

This feast harkens back to the celebration of Holy Thursday. By way of the metaphors of food and drink, its readings provide us with a look at the mystery of divine presence. They first provide a picture of a God who feeds us. In the past God set a table in freedom, and then provided food that



enabled our ancestors to survive. God fed those who were needy, not those who were worthy. Jesus offered sustenance to the crowds that gathered around him. It was not manna from heaven that he offered but his own flesh and blood as food and drink. This food and drink are the pledge of eternal life.

Those who eat this bread and drink this cup are caught up in a profound unity with God, a unity not envisioned in the wilderness experience. There is a new overlay of significance. Jesus' claim to give his flesh and blood was a bold one, Paul's seems even bolder. He states that partaking of the bread and the cup not only joins us with Christ, but actually makes us participants in the body and blood of Christ. Humanity and divinity are joined as one. The Eucharist is a sign of unity in another way. Joined to the body and blood of Christ, we are joined to each other. We are one body and that body is Christ. The Eucharist is truly a celebration of thanksgiving: thanksgiving for our transformation and thanksgiving for our unity.



St A's PARISH CATCHUP

TODAY, June 18

Smokeytown Cafe, Creswick

Straight after Mass - ALL WELCOME! -

Kindly hosted by our Parish Family Group

TWO COLLECTIONS are taken up and presented after the PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The 1st COLLECTION is cash toward the Presbytery for the sustenance of our Priest; with a contribution of 13% to provide support for our retired priests and the Diocese.

The 2nd COLLECTION is the Planned Giving (envelopes) or cash for the administration of the Parish & general running costs.

Last Week's Collections (with thanks)

1st Collection: \$275.20 **2nd Collection:** \$218.00



We warmly CONGRATULATE our 9 First Communion Candidates as they receive the Sacrament of Eucharist

TODAY

Sunday, June 18

- Zach Allen -
- Jesse Cooke -
- Samantha Crilly -
 - Lilly Euvrard -
- Mia Gervasoni -
 - Riley Mahar -
- Christian Morrison -
 - Jesse Schneider -
 - Lacie Smith -



TODAY,
we warmly CONGRATULATE
LOIS & RON KENNEDY
on their
60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



<u>DIOCESAN BULLETIN NOTICES</u> <u>Liturgy Formation 2017</u> The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions again in 2017 at Colac on June 25, Ballarat Cathedral on July 9, Warrnambool on July 23. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass in parishes on these days. Workshops on offer are Funeral Ministry, the Diocesan Sacraments of Initiation Program, "Let the Children Come" and Formation for Lectors. Registration is via DIOCESAN LITURGICAL COMMISSION PO Box 576 – Ballarat VIC 3353 Ph: (03) 5337 7159 Email: liturgy@ballarat.catholic.org.au; Online registrations via diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

<u>Family Matters - Strengthening Respectful Relationships Forum</u> All welcome. Forum with Fr Frank Brennan SJ (guest speaker) - Ballarat on June 24 / Warrnambool July 22 / Mildura August 26. These free events are being hosted by the Social Justice Commission of the Diocese of Ballarat, together with many workshops provided by Centacare. Registration: http://2017familymatters.weebly.com/ Alternatively, contact Danielle Peters or Tony Haintz - social.justice@ballarat.catholic.org.au.