



Parish Newsletter October 18, 2015

CRESWICK OFFICE *Hours:* **Wednesday 10am - 11am. (**If Wednesday Mass)

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DAYLESFORD OFFICE *Hours:* Friday 9.30am - 1.00pm. *Ph:* 5348 2026 (Leah)

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PARISH PRIEST: Fr. Gary A Jones

ST THOMAS AQUINAS', Bailey Street, CLUNES

MASS: Saturday 6.30pm (on the eve of each 2nd & 4th Sunday in the month)

LAY LED ASSEMBLY: Sunday 10.30am (1st Sunday ONLY in the month)

Nb. NO service on weekends when a 3rd Sunday or when a 5th Sunday in the month

ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL: Mr. Terry Brennan, Principal.

SCHOOL OFFICE *Ph:* 5345 2106 (Mandy) *Website:* www3.sacreswick.catholic.edu.au

DIOCESAN *Website:* www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

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.

Weekday Masses

St Augustine's, **Creswick:** 10am Wed Oct 21

St Peter's, **Daylesford:** 10am Thu/Fri Oct 22/23

Weekend Masses

St Thomas Aquinas', **Clunes:** 6.30pm Sat Oct 24

St Augustine's, **Creswick:** 8.45am Sun Oct 25

St Peter's, **Daylesford:** 10.30am Sun Oct 25

Celebration of Baptism:

Baptisms are celebrated at St Augustine's Parish during Sunday Mass at 8.45am

- on the 1st & 3rd Sundays.

Baptisms can also be celebrated at a later time at the 10:30am Sunday Mass at St Peter's Daylesford.

All Baptisms are to be arranged with

Fr Gary Jones - Parish Priest.

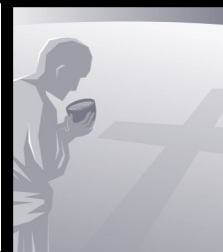
Contact through the Parish Office (details above)



Joy Chamberlain, Eddie Schreenan, Cath Ford
(died recently)

Catherine Charleson, Bernice Mitchell, Jean Hall
(anniversaries of death)

Sandra Kenyon, Loretta Schneider
(unwell)



Gospel Reflection

by Dianne Bergant CSS

When we set out to follow Jesus, faithful to the promises that we made at baptism to renounce sin and live lives directed by the Spirit, we normally do so with generosity of heart. However, after we have borne the burdens of this decision and realise some of the implications of our commitment, we begin to wonder if it was worth it. We believe that God will generously bless us. Still, would it be so wrong to hope for a little more, especially if we have made significant sacrifices along the way?

Of those to whom much has been given, much will be required in return. The closer we are to Jesus, the more we will be expected to mirror him. The great ones in the reign of God, the ones who exercise authority over others, must be the servants of the rest. Parents, teachers, civil authorities, managers of every kind, pastoral leaders must all be servants, as Jesus was a servant. We will also have to drink from his cup of suffering and be baptised into his death. As we draw close to the one who gave his life as an offering for sin, we will find that the same self-sacrifice is being asked of us. When we struggle with the misfortunes that we face because of our commitment to Jesus, we will have him as an inspiration and a model to follow. He can sympathise with our weaknesses, identify with our suffering. We can draw strength from his example and hope from his kindness.

ROSTERS for next Sat/Sun, Oct 24/25

	<u>CLUNES</u>	<u>CRESWICK</u>
Reader:	Higgins	Doreen S
Leaders:	n/a	n/a
Comm'tor:	n/a	Brian R
Sp Minister/s:	Richardson	Aileen-Roland-Barb
Welc'/Offer'y:	n/a	Pat & Angeline
Remote:	n/a	Neil D
Counters:	n/a	Pete-Mick
Cleaning:	DURING THIS COMING WEEK – before NEXT Sunday Richardson Bernie & Pat T	

CLUNES' MASS TIMES

@ St Thomas Aquinas
6.30pm NEXT Saturday, Oct 24
(eve of 4th Sunday in the month)

GOOD NEWS!

From this weekend onwards, our Parish Bulletin will be uploaded and available to access through the new Diocesan website.
www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

“the thing the world needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity” Pope Francis

NEW St A ROSTERS

available to collect on back table

Envelopes for **CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE**
Building Appeal on back reception table

Prayer Cards for the **Synod on the Family**
on back reception table

Collections: Both weekly collections occur after the General Intercessions.
Last week: 1st (Priest Support) - \$355.60 2nd (PGiving/Parish) - \$815.00
(Retired Priests Appeal) - \$100.00

We warmly welcome and congratulate
the Davidson Family
this Sunday morning
~ October 18, 2015 ~
joining in witness as their
Ava Kate
receives the
Sacrament of Baptism

St A's Primary School AWARDS

Principal - Angus Pascoe
Kindness - Abigail Righetti & Harry Donovan-Clancy

ALL SOULS Remembrance Offering Envelopes

The practice of offering the holy Mass for the repose of the soul of the deceased originates in the early church. Offering Envelopes are available on back reception table. Fr Gary will offer individual Masses (anonymously) over the next 12 months using requests from this time of All Souls (November).
Please return these envelopes via one of the Sunday collections in the coming weeks.

EGANSTOWN CEMETERY MASS

Monday, November 2, ALL SOULS DAY.
11am Mass @ St Francis Xavier Chapel, Eganstown Cemetery. BYO chairs helpful (limited available)

PRAYER FOR RAIN

God of compassion,
we wait and watch for your gift of rain
to water the soil and make the barren land come alive again.
We wait and watch for the gift of salvation
to free us from hatred, greed and fear
so that we may live again as people of faith, hope and love.
We make this prayer in the name of our Saviour who comes
to be with us. **Amen.**

DIOCESAN NEWS / Coming EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

MERCY CONNECT Ballarat: Volunteers needed to support refugee children in Ballarat Schools throughout 2016. Phone Paulene Barton - Mercy Connect Project Coordinator on **0417 624 330** or email: mercyconnectb@gmail.com

Friday, October 23, Last day for **Australian Catholic Youth Festival** Group Bookings. See Diocesan webpage for details.

Friday, October 23 - Sunday, October 25, Christus Rex Pilgrimage, Ballarat to Bendigo. *Flyers on reception table*

Saturday, October 24, St Martin's in the Pines 1970-75 40-year Reunion Info: Robyn Barnett, ph. 5337 2352 or connecting@damascus.vic.edu.au

Wednesday, October 28, 7.30pm. St Patrick's College Chapel. **2017 Yr 7 Enrolment Info Evening.** To register your attendance at this free event, please go online to www.trybooking.com/JBEX by Monday, October 26, 2015.

Ph Mrs Lorrie Liston on 5322 4449 or by emailing l1iston@stpats.vic.edu.au. Enrolments close on February 12, 2016

Sunday, November 1, A Liturgy of Lament and Hope @ St Patrick's Cathedral in Ballarat at 2pm. *Poster on Notice Board.*

Monday November 2, ALL SOULS DAY. 11am. Mass @ St Francis Xavier, Eganstown. **Sunday, November 8,** 9.30am. Mass @ Pootilla (Bungaree) Cemetery. BYO chairs. Info: ph. 5334 0450 **Sunday, November 29,** 1.30pm. Mass @ Gordon Cemetery.

Tuesday December 8 (Immaculate Conception), *The Jubilee Year of Mercy commences in Rome with the opening of the Holy Door at St Peter's Basilica, Rome. ### All are invited to attend the Opening of the Door of Mercy at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat by Bishop Paul Bird CSsR on Sunday, December 13, 2015, 10.30am. Refreshments will follow the Mass.*