



Parish Newsletter September 18, 2016

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YEAR OF MERCY

DECEMBER 8TH, 2015 - NOVEMBER 20TH, 2016

*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.*



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.

N E X T W E E K

WEEKDAY MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: NO SERVICE

St Peter's, Daylesford: NO SERVICE

WEEKEND MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: 8.45am Sunday, Sept 25

St Peter's, Daylesford: 10.30am Sunday, Sept 25



Jill Calder, Bennetta Wellard,
Mary Haintz, Frank Kennedy,
Maria Danaher
(anniversaries of death,
Thurs - Wed)

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

*"The world tells us to seek
success, power and money;
God tells us to seek
humility, service and love."
Pope Francis*

Free eConference on Mercy: A Way of Being in the World

This eConference will commemorate the Jubilee Year of Mercy and take up Pope Francis' invitation to explore this central element of our faith.

Tuesday, September 20, 2016 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat smaller hall, cuppa from 9.30am, eConference from 10.30am - 2.45pm. BYO lunch. Please register with **Jacinta** at the Cathedral Office, ph. 5331 2933 or email ballarat@ballarat.catholic.org.au. Speakers - Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane and Member of the Pontifical Council for Social Communications, Sr Veronica Lawson RSM, Scripture scholar and author of the highly praised book, "The Blessing of Mercy", Mr Phil Glendenning, Director of the Edmund Rice Centre and President of the Refugee Council of Australia. **Flyer on back notice board**

Anima Education, "Mary in the Bible"

The Catholic Women's League of Victoria and Wagga Wagga Inc. and Anima Women's Network will sponsor an Anima Education course, "Mary in the Bible" on the weekend of **September 23-25, 2016** in Ballarat. **Flyer on back notice board**



THIS MORNING (Sept 18)
Coffee @ Smokeytown Café
straight after Mass

A MONTHLY SOCIAL GATHERING
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS & VISITORS

You will feel very welcomed!

Kindly hosted by our parish Family Group

NEXT SUNDAY

(September 25)

Training (& refresher) for St A's
Funeral & Eucharistic Ministry teams

*In back meeting room in
St Augustine's Church*

12noon ~ 1.30pm

- tea/coffee will be available -

All invited, even just out of curiosity!

Please place your names on list down the back

ROSTER for NEXT Sunday, Sept 25

Reader: Bernie
Leaders: n/a
Comm'tor: David
Sp Minister/s: Aileen-Barb-Roland
Welc'/Offer'y: Brian & Pat McK
Remote: Neil
Counters: Pete & Mick
Cleaning THIS week: Bernie & Pat T

NO WEDNESDAY morning Mass in Creswick this week on Sept 21

(No Friday morning Mass in Daylesford on Sept 23)

REMEMBER...

You can access this Parish Newsletter on the Diocesan Website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

(Just go to the Parish of Creswick, & click on the date of the newsletter required)

...useful if you are going to be away
...or to check up on rosters for the coming Sunday, when you can't find your copy at home!

Gospel Reflection

@Dianne Bergant CSS

We are creatures of this world. We are made of it and we are totally dependent upon it for our very existence. **We require its air, its water, its food, its heat.** We need it for covering and for shelter; we need it to stimulate our minds and our spirits. Therefore, our use of its phenomenal resources cannot in itself be immoral. **What is questionable is the character of our use.**

There are many circumstances that contribute to the complexity of these matters. The merchant in the passage from Amos is not faulted because he was prosperous. Nor is the steward in the gospel criticised for putting resources aside for future use. **But how much does a person need when there are others who are really needy?**

We live our lives on the horns of a dilemma. We have the right to use and to enjoy the marvels of our world, but we cannot do this free of responsibility to each other and to the world itself. We are not called to disown the world. It is impossible for us to do that, because of our total dependence upon it. **But we are called to live in it gently,** using what we need and sharing what we can. **We must make decisions as trustworthy stewards of the household of God,** not like the man in the gospel who was only concerned with his own well being. **We must serve God, not mammon.**

Collections: Two collections are taken up after the Prayers of the Faithful. The 1st Collection is the Presbytery Collection – this collection is for the support of the local priest, with 13% going towards the support of the retired priests and the Bishop. The 2nd Collection is the Planned Giving (envelopes) for the support of Parish endeavours and structures.

Last week: 1st (Priest Support) - \$264.50; 2nd (PG/Parish) - \$340.00

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM for October & November 2016

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - Year 3 Children:

Parent information sessions:

Tuesday Oct 4th @ 4pm – St Augustine's SCHOOL, Creswick
Wednesday Oct 5th @ 4pm – St Michael's SCHOOL, D'sford.

DISMISSAL SUNDAYS (Each child must attend):

- Oct 30th; Nov 6th; Nov 13th -

CELEBRATION of Confirmation will be held on Sunday, Nov 20th

Creswick 8.45am
Daylesford 10.30am

St A's SCHOOL AWARDS

Principal's Award:

(for their efforts in preparing for the annual school sports day)
Teisha Erdody, Elana Steer, Claudia Martin,
Samantha Crilley, Khye Erdody,
Xanthia Chatham, Lexi Oswin

Kindness Award:

Daisy Donovan-Clancy & Mason Bullen

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)