



Parish Newsletter September 25, 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.

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WEEKDAY MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: 10am Wed, Sept 28
St Peter's, Daylesford: 10am Fri, Sept 30

WEEKEND MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: 8.45am Sunday, Oct 2
St Peter's, Daylesford: 10.30am Sunday, Oct 2



Sr Barbara May, CSB
(recent death)

Edith Barry, Amelia Gleeson,
Maureen Gibcus
(anniversaries of death,
Thurs - Wed)

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

***"None of us can think we are
exempt from concerns for the poor
and for social justice."***

Pope Francis

HELP NEEDED!

for next 3 month ROSTER, Nov - Jan
(lists down the back/will be compiled mid October)

► We are in desperate need of at least one more **REMOTE CONTROL OPERATOR** for our PowerPoint on Sundays (**EASY: a few practice Sundays with support is all you'll need**).

► One or two extra **SACRISTANS** to alternate with Ann would be so very helpful (Ann will train and support you to set up etc)

► A number of extras are urgently needed to help with **WELCOMING** at Mass, in partnership with our **OFFERTORY** processions. (We can easily pair you up with another on the list)

► EXTRAS for ALL roles ALWAYS GRATEFULLY WELCOMED!!!

TODAY

Sun, Sept 25

12noon - approx. 1.30pm
Training (& refresher) for St A's

**Funeral & Eucharistic
Ministry teams**

In back meeting room
in St Augustine's Church

► tea & coffee with some light nibbles
-to tie you over!-will be available

All invited, even just out of curiosity!

List for last minute names still available down the back

BLAMPIED - St Josephs Community

Dinner at Swiss Mountain Hotel
after 6pm Saturday Mass, October 22nd.

~To honour and farewell Carmel Rieniets
and thank her for her many years of
Service as Sacristan ~

Dinner and Drinks at Hotel Prices- All Welcome!

Please Book with Colleen **5345 7281**
or Marilyn **5345 7475**

ROSTER for NEXT Sunday, Oct 2

Reader: Doreen
Leaders: n/a
Comm'tor: Loretta
Sp Minister/s: Margie-Alastair-**VOLUNTEER** plz
Welc'/Offer'y: Carol & Tony
Remote: Lois
Counters: Bernie & Pat
Cleaning THIS week: Sr Louise & Sue

Collections:
Last week: 1st (Priest Support) - 242.00; 2nd (PG/Parish) - \$ 109.00;
Clergy Support: \$115.00



Daylight Savings
starts **NEXT SUNDAY, Oct 2.**
Clocks get put ahead 1 hour @ 2am

8.45am
Mass
will
feel
REALLY
early!!!

Today is **SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY**

**Theme: "A Place at the Table:
Social justice in an ageing society"**

*A few copies of the 2016 SJ statement
from the Australian Catholic
Bishops Conference are available
on the back reception table.*

The 2016-2017 Social Justice Statement,
**A Place at the Table: Social justice in an
ageing society**, celebrates the ageing of the
population and the significant contributions
older people make to the life of the
community. Increasing numbers of older
people enjoy good health and an active life
for many years.

The ageing demographic has rightly been
described as 'the great success story of
human development'. But significant
challenges remain. While workers are being
encouraged to work beyond retirement, older
people in poverty are likely to carry that
hardship into retirement without proper
assistance. In an ageing population,
vulnerable groups confront the risks of
ageism, social isolation and elder abuse.

The Bishops challenge a 'throw-away' cul-
ture that casts older people as being burden-
some or even dispensable. They call for
communities that foster solidarity among
the generations and ensure older people
have a place in the heart of community life.

NEXT SUNDAY

(October 2)

St Thomas Aquinas' Church
Community Catch-up

@ Widow Swanky Café, Clunes - 10.30am

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM **for October & November 2016**

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

- Year 3 Children:

Parent information sessions:

Tues Oct 4th @ 4pm, St Aug's SCHOOL, Creswick
Wed Oct 5th @ 4pm, St Michael's SCHOOL, D'sford.

DISMISSAL SUNDAYS (Each child must attended):

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

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

Creswick 8.45am
Daylesford 10.30am

A Prayer for all Ages

(Social Justice Sunday 2016)

God of all creation, you are timeless
and beyond all ages.

We who are growing old give thanks
for the years you have given us –
for family, friends and all those
who have enriched our lives.

We who are not yet old give thanks
for the older people in our lives:
for grandparents, loved ones, friends
and all who generously offer
the wise counsel of their years.

We who are growing old pray that we may be
patient with our ageing limbs
and difficulties in everyday tasks
we once did much more easily.

We who are not yet old pray
for patience and kindness
towards those who do not move as quickly
as we would sometimes like.

We who are growing old pray for
good health in our later years,
and forbearance when our health fails us.
We who are not yet old pray for good health
for those we love
and compassion towards those
who suffer ill health.

We who are growing old pray for
prudence and sweet timing,
in offering our wisdom to the next generation,
while respecting their energy and creativity.

We who are not yet old pray for
openness and humility in receiving
the advice and guidance of our elders.

We who are growing old pray that we
may face our death with serenity and dignity.
We who are not yet old pray that we affirm
the sacredness of each person's life
and accompany those who are dying
with gentleness and deep respect.

God of endless love, help us to understand
that we share a common life journey,
a call to live life to the full
and to strive to enable all creation to come
to the fullness of the Cosmic Christ.

Amen