

We acknowledge the Tjapwurrong people, the traditional custodians of our parish land.

We pay our respects to their elders past and present. We respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

Sunday August 1, 2021 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading Ex 16:2-4. 12-15

A reading from the book of Exodus

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.' 'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God." And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

Responsorial Psalm <u>Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24</u>

- (R.) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.
- 1. The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might. (R.)
- 2. He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven. He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven. (R.)
- 3. Mere men ate the bread of angels. He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand had won. (R.)

Second Reading Eph 4:17, 20-24

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ,

unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Alleluia!



Gospel Jn 6:24-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered: I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

Mass Times

Ararat Sunday 8.30am Stawell Sunday 10.30am

Lake Bolac 1st 3rd 5th Sundays 6.30pm Vigil Sat Landsborough 2nd 4th Sundays 6pm Vigil Sat

Glenthompson (Hamilton Parish) 2nd 4th Sundays 8.30am

Aged Care Schedule

Eventide1st Wednesdays 11.15amLowe St2nd Wednesdays 11amGarden View3rd Wednesdays 10.30amARV4th Wednesday 10am

Masses this Week

Stawell: Tues to Fri 10am // Wed 4th Eventide 11.15am (Covid permitting) Ararat: Thurs 5th 3pm Hopkins // Fri 6th 11am Mass and morning tea

Readings for Next Sunday 8th August 1 Kgs 17:7-16 // Col 3:12-17 // Mt 6:25-34

Anniversaries Stawell

Martha Borella 1970, Francis O'Sullivan 1981, Carly Faloon 1987, Pasuline Coghlan 2002, Derek Peters 2004, Kevin (Mick) Rutter 2008, Gilbert Mairs 1963, Evelyn Gavin 1972, Aileen Falvey 1987, Gennie Rickard 1967, Allen McSparron 1981, Margaret Egan 1996, Angela Maloney 1996, Eileen Monument 1998, Jessie Brady 2006, Jean English 1974, Mary Austin 1981, Anthony Rathgeber 1979, Edward Maddocks 1992, Maurice Stewart 1976, Edward Rutter 1978, Leo Ryan 1987, Mavis Scaletti 2001

Anniversaries Ararat

Lionel Tillett, Marjorie Tillett, Paddy McLoughlin, Robert Mason, Molly Gleeson, Leonard Henry Horsley, Don Hearn, Josephine Pinzone, Phil Brady, Neville Cruse, Christopher Hogan, Nora Hogan, Alice Greenwood, Vincenzo Pinzone, Myrtle Casey, Susan Aisbett, Kathleen Frances Hewitt, Keith McOwan, Dr Dan Meagher

Please pray for

Terry Weeks, Kate Wilson, Sally Rook, Eloise Foo, Benjamin Wolfson, Julie Neale and Margaret Hassall, Jenny Sharman, Anne-Marie Joyce

Golden Gate Roster - new roster coming

Lake Bolac Roster – not listed this week – we'll have a chat at Mass

Stawell Parish Unit Vacancy

A one-bedroom flat will soon be available to rent at the Parish units in Crudace St, Stawell. Rent is \$215 per fortnight. Interested persons should contact Nino on 53582258 for further information.

Ararat Parish Office

We are delighted to welcome Jill Croxford to the parish staff in Ararat. Jill, for many years, was the school finance and admin officer at St Patrick's School in Stawell. The office hours will are yet to be finalised but are likely to be Thursdays and Fridays. Welcome Jill.

Miriam Rose

2pm Wed 18th Stawell Parish Hall

2pm Wed 25th Ararat Parish Centre

This promises to be a most insightful hour. Lesley Morgan will share her insights into the spirituality of Dr Miriam-Rose Ungunmerr Baumann AM. Miriam Rose is an Aboriginal activist, educator and artist and the 2021 Senior Australian of the Year. Of particular interest is Mariam Rose' telling of Dadirri, (Inner Deep Listening and Quiet Still Awareness.) "We know that in time and in the spirit of dadirri (that deep listening and quiet stillness) his way will be clear. We are River people. We cannot hurry the river. We have to move with its current and understand its ways."



Covid Restrictions

Ararat and Stawell 50 people // Landsborough and Lake Bolac 35 people
Covid Marshall to assist and ensure registration // Masks / hands / distancing // Catering in Ararat 45 people – seated only

Are You Called to be a Spiritual Director?

Come to our Siloam Taster Session via ZOOM & in-person on Sat 14 August 2021, 9.30am-11am. The Siloam Program is an approved full-time or part-time program to form Spiritual Directors, which in 2022, will be available on both Zoom and inperson. It is suitable for those who wish to companion others in their spiritual journey, helping them to notice the movement of God in their hearts and in their lived experience. Info: secretary@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101. Register via https://www.trybooking.com/BSUNV or www.heartoflife.melbourne

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Virtual Learning Program

Our partner, Dayton University, offers low-cost online study (\$50usd) and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parish and other ministries. Study subjects over 3 and 5 week cycles. Study Cycle 6 begins August 22. Registrations are open now until August 13 for new and returning participants. For more information go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or email djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7121.

Australian Catholic Men's Gathering 2021

As an initiative of the Australian Catholic Bishops, the National Catholic Men's Gathering aims to inspire and encourage all men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish/diocese and the world. The online program hopes to reinforce that it is important to gather as men in the faith environment of the Church and be challenged to ensure the Gospel is alive in our homes, parishes/dioceses and our communities. In this Year of St Joseph, the National Catholic Men's Gathering is again being offered as a free event for registered participants. The 2021 program will focus on St Joseph and will include a pre-recorded introductory session, three pre-recorded sessions and a final commissioning, all available from Saturday, July 31, 2021. To read about this year's speakers go to https://www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicmen

Plenary Council - Fan the Flame Prayer Campaign

Fan the Flame: Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021. 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.' Matthew 28:16-20

The ethical and missionary implications of the Eucharist for the Church's communion of faith will always be incomplete while the poor go hungry, for "we cannot properly receive the Bread of Life without sharing bread for life with those in want". (Pedro Arrupe, "Address prior to Eucharistic Congress 1976", The Portal to Jesuit Studies, accessed 23 April 2021, https://jesuitportal.bc.edu/research/documents/1976 arrupeeucharist/.)

You are invited to join the national prayer campaign and in a special way support the ongoing journey of the Plenary Council. As the first Assembly in October 2021 draws nearer, all people are invited to become 'Prayer Partners' to accompany the Members and invoke the Holy Spirit on this historic gathering for the Church in Australia. The "Fan the Flame" resources have been designed so they can be used by individuals or by groups of any size and in any setting. They include material for each week, and as well as material that can be used at any time to support prayerful preparation for the Plenary Council. Resources can be accessed at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheflame/

Diocesan Liturgical Commission Membership

The Ballarat Diocesan Liturgical Commission assists the Bishop with diocesan liturgies, liturgical matters of the diocese and provides formation to assist the growth of good liturgical practices. Membership of the Commission includes representation from priests, religious and laity throughout the diocese. The Commission is currently seeking new members from all areas of the diocese. Membership is for an initial term of three (3) years with the option of two further terms (3 years per term). The Commission meets five times per year in Ballarat. Video linking facilities are available for meetings. All members of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission must hold a current Working with Children check or VIT (Victorian Institute of Teaching) registration. Expressions of interest can be forwarded to liturgy@ballarat.catholic.org.au

"Mission: one heart many voices" Virtual Conference

Inspired by Jesus, this conference will focus on themes of encounter on the margins, inclusion, governance and synodality and challenge you to consider contemporary Mission in light of Pope Francis' teaching, witness and vision of liminal leadership in mission. The Conference is from September 1-3, 2021 and is being convened by Catholic Religious Australia in conjunction with Catholic Mission. Perhaps your parish may wish to host a forum and invite members of your community to attend and share this experience together. An opportunity not to be missed. Check it out at https://2021.mohmv.com.au/. Discount for registrations prior to August 1.

Aid to the Church in Need

Today, Aid to the Church in Need continues to ensure that spiritual aid and pastoral care reaches areas of need. ACN ensures that tyranny of distance or harsh terrain does not stand in the way of the spiritual life of the Catholic people. Every year we will finance some 400 cars, 200 motorcycles, 300 bicycles and a couple of boats. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/transport.



Parish Directories

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Office Hours Office hours are changing. More information to come

Parish Bulletin www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

To submit bulletin notices for both parishes please email ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au

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Parish Finances

If you would like to donate to a parish, or use for your planned giving please see the details below. Many thanks

Details for Ararat Parish:

Parish Account "Main Church Account" Westpac Bank BSB 033 201 // Acc 810035 Presbytery Account "Presbytery Account" Westpac Bank BSB 033 201 //Acc 810043

Details for Stawell Parish

Parish Account **BSB** 013 815 Acc: 286326347 Presbytery Account **BSB** 013 815 Acc: 286326355