

CHURCH ROSTER

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
Sat Jul 8th		P. Gemmola	T. Gemmola,		D&M Lister	A&V Joyce	G. White	Joan Bond	
Sun Jul 9th	N. Potter	K. Leggett	M. Cunningham, Sr. John & C. Reid	Elizabeth Shea	Lois Rowe	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Jul 15th	P. Brennan	I Brady	M. Mason, P. Brady		R&M Jerram	The Arnold Family, & C. Martin	Geoff White & R. Jerram	J. North & Anne Joyce	J. Start
Sun Jul 16th		S. Reid	C. Reid, M. Ollie & J. Start		L&D Anderson	(as above)	Jim Crowe	(as above)	(as above)

Joke of the Week

Teacher: "Anyone who thinks he's stupid may stand up!"

Nobody stands up

Teacher: "I'm sure there are some stupid students over here!!"

Little Johnny stands up

Teacher: "Ohh, Johnny you think you're stupid?"

Little Johnny: "No... I just feel bad that you're standing alone..."

Sea Sunday Appeal - July 9, 2017

Parishes are asked to support chaplains helping seafarers at ports and at sea. This year's theme is 'In the midst of the storm', highlighting the mental vulnerabilities of seafarers on the oceans. You can donate by posting a cheque to: Stella Maris Seafarers Centre, PO Box 368 Canberra ACT 2601 or via electronic banking to: BSB Number: 083-347; Account Number: 649 518 680, Account name: Stella Maris Seafarers Centre. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Flyer on the Notice Board in foyer

Child Safe Church

Here at the Church of the Immaculate Conception we follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we also implement procedures and standards as directed by the Ballarat Diocesan Office.

Our Safe Guarding Officer is Emma Coburn and you can download our Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy from the Parish website.

If you have any concerns whatsoever—please contact the Parish Office, a member of the Clergy, the Safe Guarding Officer on Ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Church Toilets

All children—Primary school age and under— must be accompanied by an adult. Thank you for your understanding.



Sunday, 9 Jul 2017: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

As we celebrate, we acknowledge the Indigenous owners of the land on which The Church of The Immaculate Conception is built, the Tjapwuring people, and we respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

First Reading **Zec 9:9-10**

Responsorial Psalm **Ps 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14. R. v.1**

**(R.) I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God**

1. I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.

I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. *(R.)*

2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. *(R.)*

3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. *(R.)*

4. The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.

The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. *(R.)*

Second Reading **Rom 8:9.11-13**

Gospel Acclamation **See Mt 11:25**

Alleluia, alleuia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel **Mt 11:25-30** copyright ICEL. Used with permission

8th/9th July 2017

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Barbara McCubbin, Fr Len Monk, Fr Coley McKenzie, Jack Ryan, Maurizio Cannata, Michael McRae, Vera McAloon, Maureen McMaster, Jean Thomas, Michael Rowe, Joseph Noonan, David O'Connor, Margaret Morris, Vince Gemmola, Robert Oliver, Laurie Walsh, Brian Molony, Norma Schwab, Rem Pezzutti, Heinz Helmich, Frances Miller, Fr Bill O'Connell, Helen Grano, Helen Stevens, George Driscoll

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Maryanne Carmichael, Kate Whelan, Grace Molloy, Taine Pearce, Emily May, Bernie Sorsogon (Manilla), Shirley Billet, Natasha Martens.

*"Thank you for all your prayers over the past few months"—
Barry Wilson*

*If you would like a sick person prayed for, ask for their permission.
Names will be included for the duration of ONE MONTH after which
family or friends can request more time.*

Please pray for the intentions of :

PARISH PRAYER

Loving God, Good Shepherd of us all,

gather us and form us into a welcoming Parish family.

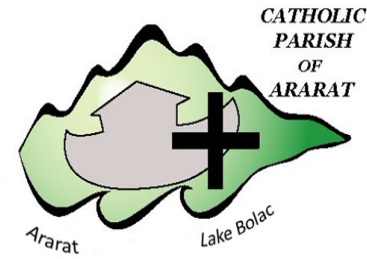
Touch our hearts with your love so that we, in turn, may reach out in love to one another,

in a neighbourly community. We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

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PRINCIPAL ST. MARY'S SCHOOL: Mr Tom Hogan
Download newsletter—www.smararat.catholic.edu.au
PRINCIPAL MARIAN COLLEGE: Mrs Carmel Barker
Download newsletter—www.mcararat.catholic.edu.au

MASS TIMES		
	Ararat	Lake Bolac
	(Immaculate Conception)	(St. Bernard's)
Saturday	6.00pm	
Sunday	10.30am	8.30am
2nd Sunday of Every Month		8.30am
		(Lay Assembly)
Prayers this Week		
Tues 11 th	9.30am	Convent
Fri 14 th	6pm	Mass Hopkins

LAKE BOLAC- Lay Assembly 9th July		LAKE BOLAC– MASS 16th July	
READER:	V. Albert	READER:	Jane Higgins
PRAYERS:	R. Liston	PRAYERS:	J. Aldous
EUCCHARISTIC		EUCCHARISTIC	
MINISTER:	D. Haslett	MINISTER:	John Higgins
		Cleaning:	R. Liston

Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2017
On the immigrants dying in the Mediterranean Sea: "Who is responsible for the blood of these brothers and sisters?" the pope asked, saying that too often, the answer is, "No one. "We all answer, 'It's not me. I have nothing to do with it. It's others, but certainly not me.'"

A VOCATION VIEW
Have you discovered yet that there is more to life than what only material things have to offer? We live in the Spirit. Only in the Lord can we find lasting peace. Speak the Good News.

Lifeline: 131114 **Ararat Police:** 5355 1500
Counselling service: Relationships Australia – 1800 052 674
Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Towards Healing – 1800 099 340
Sexual Assault Crisis line: 1800 806 292

Embrace the Shepherds



In bible times the shepherds were considered outcasts, less worthy of a place in civil society. Here at St Mary's we're making a concerted effort to "embrace the shepherds."
We welcome every person who is unwelcome.

Saint of the Week: St. Veronica Giuliani, B 1660, D 1727. Capuchin mystic who had many spiritual gifts. A native of Binasco, near Milan, Italy, born in 1660, she entered the Capuchins at Cittidi Castello, Umbria, in 1677. She remained there for the rest of her life and served as novice mistress for thirty-four years. A mystic, she was the recipient of a stigmata in 1697 and visions, the accounts of which are quite detailed. She impressed her fellow nuns by remaining remarkably practical despite her numerous ecstatic experiences. Veronica was named abbess of the convent in 1716, remaining in that role until her death. She is called one of the most extraordinary mystics of her era.

Read more on www.catholic.org/saints

www.dow.org.au



Fr. Andrew's Column

Office hours during July/August

Fr. Andrew will be away for July. Joyce will be away for July and August. The office will be open:

Wednesdays and Fridays—10am-12.

On all other days the phone and the email will still be staffed. Please email rather than phone if you can. The office hours will return to normal in September. Fr Peter Wood MSC will be available for all weekend Masses and funerals in July. Please phone the funeral directors as is usual. They will contact Fr. Peter.

Working Bee

There is a working bee this Sunday July 9th at 9am to clean up the weeds etc. in the Presbytery Gardens. Many hands make light work! Thank you in advance.

Quinton Morris—Violin (visiting July 24th-26th inclusive)

"Breakthrough" - an interactive recital with Quinton Morris—an American Violinist from Seattle. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear the music of composer Chevalier de Saint-Georges. Quinton will be accompanied by the 2006 Australian National Piano Award Recipient: Amir Farid and playing in the Church on Tuesday July 25th
Please see the Foyer notice board for the flyer.

Funerals in the Uniting Church

For three days, July 24 – 26, St Mary's Church and Parish Centre has been booked for an educational music event for students from both Marian College and Ararat Community College. We have offered the use of the church because the PAC is being renovated. The church will be unavailable for funerals for those three days. Rev Paul Sanders has kindly made the Uniting Church available should we require a funeral during those days.

ACYF 2017

Registrations for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival are already over 80% capacity and Early Bird Registrations close on 18 August. The Festival is 7-9 December 2017, for Year 9-30 yo. Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry has secured accommodation in Sydney and bus transport there and back. Please contact Amanda soon to 'book in' your group. If you are not yet part of a group, we can help – contact Amanda youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or 0427 748 867. More information on www.ballarat.catholic.org.au / Youth and Young Adult pages.

Uniting Church 40th Anniversary Combined Churches Service

Will be held on Thursday, July 22, 2017, 7.00pm at the Ballarat Central Uniting Church preceded by a street party BBQ at 5.00pm. There are also other events throughout the week. For more information ph. 5333 1361 Tuesday-Thursday from 8.30am- 2.20pm. Flyer is on the notice board.

CWL

No Catholic Women's League meeting this month.