

Fr Andrew's New Concert – Sunday November 6, 4.30pm, Parish Centre

Boundless Plains – The Spoken Word – is a series of concerts to raise funds for the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre. Each concert will be a recital of Andrew's favourite poetry, featuring the works of Banjo Paterson among others. The recital promises to be high octane, to be poetry as you may not have heard it before and will feature the sublimely talented Joyce Clery. If you've not seen Joyce in concert you've missed something astonishing. Preshow drinks and nibbles will feature the award winning wines of Best's of Great Western. Donations at the Door \$10 and beyond. Primary Children Free

Andrew does ask that you let him know you're coming. Locals can add their names to a list in the church foyers. Others can email frandrewboundlessplains@gmail.com

Shame and sadness yet again!

Our church community is again shocked and shamed that a former priest of our diocese, Robert Claffey, committed heinous offenses against innocent children which have deeply wounded them and their families for life. Robert Claffey ministered and offended in the Western District and as a church leader I sincerely apologize to all who have been hurt by such evil actions. Hopefully his sentencing to 18 years jail brings some closure to his victims.

Fr Andrew

I include here two excerpts from Audrey Brown, the director of Catholic Education in our diocese:

Dear Colleagues, this update may be forwarded to staff, SAC/Board and Parent Associations of you think it is helpful...

Ballarat Case Study 28

Since the Ballarat Hearing (Case Study 28 of the Royal Commission) concluded earlier this year, the information from the Truth Justice and Hearing Council (TJHC) has not been specific to the Diocese of Ballarat so has not been continually forwarded throughout the Diocese. The next major communication to be considered will be the Report of the Royal Commission on the Ballarat Case Study. The report is expected to be released by the Royal Commission prior to the end of 2016. We can expect this report to be confronting and distressing since it will bring together all the evidence gathered in relation to the response to abuse of Catholic organisations in our diocese.

"The Catholic Wrap Up"

In February the Royal Commission will hold its hearing into the Catholic Church in Australia ("the Catholic wrap up") which will extend over four weeks. Many Church Authorities have been asked to provide responses to questions that are expected to be part of the hearing which will include priesthood – initial and ongoing formation, supervision, governance – accountability and transparency. The Royal Commission has not yet called any witnesses from the Catholic Church to appear at this hearing.

We expect that the data presented as part of the "Catholic wrap up" will be shocking and disturbing for all of us.

Seeking Support – Towards Healing 1800816030, Lifeline 131114, Vic Police 1800819817

Lifeline: 131114 **Ararat Police:** 5355 1500 **Sexual Assault Crisis line:** 1800 806 292



Sunday, 9th October 2016 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

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

First Reading 2 Kgs 5:14

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A reading from the second book of the Kings

Responsorial Psalm Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders.

His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (R.)

2. The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations.

He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. (R.)

3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Tm 2:8-13

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

Gospel Acclamation 1 Thes 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 17:11-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

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8th/9th October 2016

RECENT DEATHS:

Kevin Molloy

ANNIVERSARIES:

Gladys McKenzie-McHarg, Margaret Stapleton, Margaret O'Connor, Matthew Brennan, Annie Brennan,

Margaret Smith, William Smith, Katherine Lesley, Maurice McNiece, Jack McNiece, James Caine, Mary Caine, James Donne, Mary Donne, Mary Ryan, Kate Masterman

Michael Hevey, Otto Schwab, Dot Schwab, Margaret Eason, Kevin Beamish, Honora O'Halloran, Margaret Stainsby, Betty Wallwork, James Lannen, Connie Rice, Renee Daniels, Kate Tellefson, Edmund Joyce, Eileen Joyce, Jack Dowd, Lorna Clark, Ann Hogan, Ruby Holland, Vincent McLeod, Dorothy Beble, Allan Sinnott

SICK:

Ena Harrison, Margaret Kidd, Wendy Shea, Frank Dempsey, Maurice Rutter, Shirley Billet (thank you for your continued prayers), Kerrie Mulcahy, Natasha Martens.

Hospital: *If you are in hospital and would like to receive Communion, could a family member please contact the office.*

Please Pray for the Intentions of:

Baptisms: Welcome to the World!

Prayer of Pope Francis for the 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.
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,
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,
and restore sight to the blind. Amen

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Tues/Wed/Fri 9am—2pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES		
	Ararat	Lake Bolac
Saturday	6.00pm	
Sunday	10.30am	8.30am
2nd Sunday of Every Month		8.30am Lay Assembly
Masses this Week		
Tues 11 th	9.30am	Convent
Wed 12 th	11am Funeral Mass for Kevin Molloy	
Thurs 13 th	9.30am	Church
Fri 14 th	6pm	Hopkins

Calling All Readers!
You will find the following week’s readings in the Facilitator folder for you to take home and peruse.

A VOCATION VIEW
If faith can move mountains, it can remove hardness of heart. Faith does move mountains, so faith does remove hardness of heart.

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

“Truth according to the Christian faith, is God’s love for us in Jesus Christ. Therefore truth is a relationship”.

Read more at more at -Pope Francis @Pontifex 2016

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PRINCIPAL MARIAN COLLEGE: Mrs Carmel Barker
Download newsletter—www.mcararat.catholic.edu.au
PARISH SECRETARY: Ms Joyce Clery

Prayer for Refugees
God of our wandering ancestors
Long have we known
That your heart is with the refugee
That you were born into time
In a family of refugees
Fleeing violence in their homeland
Who then gathered up their hungry child
And fled into alien country
Their cry, your cry, resounds through the ages
“Will you let me in?”
Give us hearts that break open
When our brothers and sisters turn to us with that same cry
Then surely all these things will follow Ears will no longer turn deaf to their voices Eyes will see a moment for grace instead of a threat
Tongues will not be silenced but will instead advocate
And hands will reach out
Working for peace in their homeland
Working for justice in the lands where they seek safe haven
Lord protect all refugees in their travels
May they find a friend in me
And so make me worthy
Of the refuge I have found in you
Amen.

Boundless Plains Concert
If you can’t make any of the concert dates but would like to support the very worthy cause of helping the ASRC—Asylum Seeker Resource Centre, then please deposit whatever you can into the following bank account:
WESTPAC Bank Ararat
Account: Boundless Plains
Number: 208810
BSB: 033-201

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
Sat Oct 8th	P. McAloon	J. McAloon	A. Reynolds, L.Horsman & C. McAdie		Geoff White & M. Ryan	I. Brady, P. Gemmola & L. Styles	Geoff White & C. Brennan	M. Jerram & Marilyn Brady	M. Fe Galoso & A. Galoso
Sun Oct 9th	M. de Jong	J. Brennan	C. Bulger, M. de Jong & K. Cham-mings	T.Gemmola	L&D Anderson	(as above)	Jim Crowe	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Oct 15th	G. White	A Collins	T. Gemmola, G. North & MA McDougall		R&M Jerram	P. Lardner, B. Mannix & P. Brennan	P. Gemmola	M. Stapleton & Joan Bond	H. Collins & E. Shea
Sun Oct 16th	J. Brennan	T. Arnold	M.Cunningham, Sr. John & C. Reid	AM Joyce	Kathy Leggett & Blessie Stoneman	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)

LAKE BOLAC—LAY ASSEMBLY
READER: H. Smith
PRAYERS: R. Liston
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: L. Breen
Lay Assembly: John & Jane

LAKE BOLAC—MASS
READER: T. Higgins
PRAYERS: D. Phillips
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: I. Meek
CLEANING: L. Breen

Office Hours
Tues Oct 11th 10-2pm
Wed Oct 12th CLOSED
Fri Oct 15th CLOSED
Tues Oct 18th 10-2pm
Wed Oct 19th CLOSED
Fri Oct 21st 9-3pm

Joyce is away in Ireland and the lovely Joan and Emma will be manning the fort!

St. Anne’s Grandmothers Club
The next meeting of the Grandmothers club will be held at Gwen Martin’s home, Scott’s Rise, this Wednesday 12th October, at 2pm. All Most Welcome.

CWL Annual Meeting
The CWL Annual Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 18th October**. Mass will be held in the Church at 9.30am followed by the Annual General Meeting in the Parish Centre. Please note the change of date.