

Liturgy Rosters:
Many thanks for your ministry to the Parish!
****Communion ministers please have a mask****

This Weekend: 10th & 11th September

Saturday: 6.00pm

Reader: K. Howman
 Prayers: P. Howman
 Minister
 Computer: A. O'Brien

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: P. Couttie
 Prayers: J. Sandeman
 Ministers: M. McGenniskien
 Computer: A. Francis

Next Weekend: 17th & 18th September

Saturday: 6.00pm

Reader: D. Kierce
 Prayers: D. Bennett
 Minister
 Computer: C. Leonard

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: K. Loftus
 Prayers: M. Picard
 Ministers: A. McIntyre
 Computer: A. Francis

Following Weekend: 24th & 25th September

Saturday: 6.00pm

Reader: P. O'Brien
 Prayers: D. Baudinette
 Minister
 Computer: A. O'Brien

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: K. Arnott
 Prayers: A. McIntyre
 Ministers: D. Arnott
 Computer: A. Francis

All Saints Outreach Op-Shop: (In Target Car park) Phone: 5521 1587

The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is in urgent need of good quality bric a brac or furniture.

Please ring Outreach for pick up if necessary. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Outreach.

Outreach is open

Monday to Thursday 10 am - 3pm
 Friday 10am - 4pm
 Saturdays 10am - 12 mid-day.

Outreach is a significant fundraiser within the Parish and we regularly need Volunteers to give 3 hours in the mornings or afternoons.

Please contact Marg Herbertson at Op-Shop for further information.

BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND
Collection for Sick and Retired Priests
– next weekend 18th September



Creating a secure retirement future for the priests of the diocese is a duty and care in which we can all participate. Seventeen retired priests are currently supported by this Fund. Some live privately, some are retired in units in Ballarat or elsewhere, others live in supported accommodation. Please give as generously as you can, and help us continue 'caring for those who cared for us'. Special envelopes are available for this collection available at the front of the Church.



11th September 2022

24th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C



Weekly Services 06/09 to 11/09

Tuesday: No Mass - Diocesan In Service

Wednesday: No Mass - Diocesan In Service

Thursday: 10.00am Mass

Friday: 9.30am Adoration & Morning Prayer
10.00am Mass
5.00pm Evening Prayer

Saturday: 6.00pm Mass

Sunday: 10.30am Mass

Recent Deaths:

Dennis Carr

Anniversaries:

Patricia McBean, John Staples, Ken Johnson, Nell White, Bernadette Williams-Condys, Valda Howlett, Tony Clynes, Greg Frost, Shae Johnson, Ivan Couzens, Gerda Domburg, Anne Russo, Eileen Auld, Watty Crowe, Sr Imelda Gallagher RSM, Mary Gilbert, Muriel Mugavin, Marie Bicknall, Hannah Storr, Margaret Bannerman

Prayer Requests:

Margaret Couttie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Claire Jesser, Lea-anne Bourke, Michelle Mutch, Deanne Atkinson

If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you

Baptisms and Marriages

by appointment with Fr. Gregory Tait.

Sacrament of Penance

1st Saturday of the month 10am
 or any other time by appointment with Fr Gregory

“The Spire”

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Parish Secretary: Antonella Webbstock

Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am till 3.00pm

All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.

All Saints Parish Portland acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our Parish Community meets, the Gunditjmara people. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation and constitutional acknowledgement of first peoples

Confirmation

Sacramental Program Students have been working hard on their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, that we will celebrate this weekend.



We ask that you please pray for these children as they prepare for this very important Sacrament of Initiation. It's finally here!! We pray that you all have a great Confirmation experience.

Archibald Desmond McCallum

Ella Marie Mifsud

Oliver Lachlan Copley

Oscar John Bell

Zena Catherine Howman

Our Finances

Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 1,190.35

Target \$62,400

Total YTD 2022/23 \$ 14,014

Total YTD 2021/22 \$ 10,035

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: Portland Catholic Church

BSB: 083 532

Account No. 5159 81661

Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$ 627.80

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: All Saints Presbytery Portland

BSB: 083 526

Account No. 24476 6002

If you would like to receive a weekly copy of “The Spire” by email, please send us an email and we can add you to a list of subscribers



It is possible that on entering this church, you may hear the Call of God. On the other hand, it is not likely that he will contact you by phone. Thank you for turning off your phone. If you

would like to talk to God, come in, choose a quiet place, and talk to him. If you would like to see him, send him a text while driving!

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’ The Lord said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation.” But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, “O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’ And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 50

(R.) I will rise and go to my father.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. **(R.)**

A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **(R.)**

O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise.
My sacrifice is a contrite spirit;
a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. **(R.)**

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So he told them this parable: There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the wealth that will belong to me.’ So he divided his assets between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant region, and there he squandered his wealth in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that region, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that region, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, and no one gave him anything. But when he came to his senses he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.”’ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate, for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate. “Now his elder son was in the field, and as he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command, yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your assets with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’

The Gospel of the Lord.



Queen Elizabeth II, April 21, 1926 – September 8, 2022 (The Royal Family)

Pope Francis has sent his condolences to King Charles III, the people of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth after the death of Queen Elizabeth II, praising her “witness of faith” and life of service. Source: *Vatican News*.

Buckingham Palace released a statement just after 6.30pm on Thursday local time (3.30am Friday AEST), confirming the Queen had died at her Balmoral estate in the Scottish Highlands.

Her family had gathered with the late Queen as concerns grew about her health earlier in the day.

Queen Elizabeth II reigned for 70 years, celebrating her Platinum Jubilee on June 2, 2022.

The late Queen’s eldest son Charles, the former Prince of Wales, now becomes King and head of state for 14 Commonwealth realms.

Shortly after her death, Pope Francis sent a telegram to offer his condolences to King Charles for the death of his mother, the UK’s longest-serving monarch.

“Deeply saddened to learn of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, I offer heartfelt condolences to Your Majesty, the Members of the Royal Family, the People of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth.”

The Pope said he joins everyone who mourns her loss “in praying for the late Queen’s eternal rest, and in paying tribute to her life of unstinting service to the good of the Nation and the Commonwealth, her example of devotion to duty, her steadfast witness of faith in Jesus Christ and her firm hope in his promises.”

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster paid tribute to her Christian faith and life of unstinting service, *The Tablet* reports.

“Even in my sorrow, shared with so many around the world, I am filled with an immense sense of gratitude for the gift to the world that has been the life of Queen Elizabeth II,” Cardinal Nichols said.

“At this time, we pray for the repose of the soul of Her Majesty. We do so with confidence, because the Christian faith marked every day of her life and activity.”

Long Term Volunteer Opportunities in the Australia-Pacific Region - The Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco

We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for January 2023 to work with young people in our Salesian communities with disadvantaged young people in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Australia. Applications close October 31st, 2022. Send us an inquiry - www.cagliero.org.au or lhichaaba@salesians.org.au

Embrace the Call to Global Mission



American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Zambia are requesting Australian Catholics to live in and share their skills with parish communities. Embrace one of these [Mission opportunities abroad](#) and mentor those with little other opportunity. You you will be well prepared and supported by Palms Australia who have engaged Australian Catholics in this mission since 1961.

[Enquire online](#) or Ph: 0422 742 567 and [Register](#) for a Webinar on **Saturday September 24th at 11:30am** where you can talk directly with Veronica Lawson who is mentoring teachers in Pago Pago, American Samoa now. Or visit others already egaged in Mission with Palms on our [13-day Encounter Tour to Timor-Leste from October 16th to 28th](#).