

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

This Weekend: 1st & 2nd October

Saturday: 6.00pm

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

Sunday: 10.30am

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

Next Weekend: 8th & 9th October

Saturday: 6.00pm

Reader: D. Bennett
 Prayers: D. Kierce
 Minister
 Computer: A. O'Brien

Sunday: 10.30am

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

Following Weekend: 15th & 16th October

Saturday: 6.00pm

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

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: A. McIntyre
 Prayers: M. Picard
 Ministers: M. McGenniskien
 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.

LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

All Saints Parish has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness. By leaving a gift to your Parish in your Will, you will leave a legacy of faith – a legacy to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue both for today's needs and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.



2nd October 2022

27th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C



Weekly Services to 04/10 to 09/10

Tuesday: **No Mass**

Wednesday: **No Mass**

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, Kenneth James Scott

Anniversaries:

Rex Stewart, Ted McKenzie, Ivy Wilson, Estelle Watson, Stephen Harmer, Joseph Nguyen, Peter Hallam, Marian Saligari, Sadie Sheehan, Elizabeth Merritt, Iris Nicholls, Gayle Dempsey, Maureen McKenzie, Amy Saunders, Noorgaya Mifsud, Jack Condon, Win Hallam, Fr Francis Crowe

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

Daylight saving starts across most of Australia this weekend



So, remember to turn your watches and clocks forward one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night. If you forget, you could wake up slightly confused on Sunday morning.

Prayer for Peace & Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
 who change the hardened heart
 and break the power of violence,
 we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;
 let them know not death but life,
 not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;
 we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength
 to live that truth in love,
 choosing peace not war.
 Through Christ our Lord. Amen



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!

Our Finances

Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 1,149

Target \$62,400

Total YTD 2022/23 \$ 17,853

Total YTD 2021/22 \$ 17,854

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 \$ 781.20

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

Total contribution from Parish for BCSF

\$ 1,010

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 94

(R.) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. **(R.)**

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. **(R.)**

O that today you would listen to his voice!
‘Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.’ **(R.)**

Second Reading

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke.

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

“Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’?

Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’?

Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded?

So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’

The Gospel of the Lord.

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Faith is not measured by size



If you happen to take a road trip in the United States, you may see an advertisement for a local tourist attraction that is said to be the ‘World’s Largest’, for example, the world’s largest Thermometer or the world’s largest Mailbox.

The world seems to have on an ongoing fascination with size; the bigger, the better.

When the Titanic was launched, she was the largest ship afloat. Today, the largest cruise ship, the Wonder of the Seas, is five times the size of the Titanic, catering for almost 7,000 guests in 2,867 staterooms. Dubai famously boasts the world’s tallest building, the Burj Khalifa, which has 163 floors. Though not the tallest or largest in the world, Australia can lay claim to the largest stadium, the largest mall and the tallest building in the southern hemisphere. Taller and larger, for some, seems to be the hallmark for excellence and achievement.

However, size is not everything, as in today’s gospel passage when the apostles ask for their faith to ‘increase’. Jesus replied: *“Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.”*

Given that the mustard seed was one of the smallest seeds known to farmers at that time, this would have been a confronting answer for the apostles to hear. Was Jesus telling them that their faith can’t even be compared to the smallness of a mustard seed?

Perhaps by taking Jesus literally and comparing their faith to the very small size of a mustard seed the apostles are missing Jesus’ meaning. Faith is not measured so much by physical size, be it large or small, but more by the quality of the relationship in which it is expressed ... the relationship the apostles had with Jesus and with God, and the quality of the relationships they had with others.

So, just as it was for the apostles, as disciples and followers of Jesus it is the same for us today. We too are asked not to measure our faith by size but by the quality of our relationship with Jesus and God and the people with whom we meet, converse and interact each day.

Do we have faith in God to be with us, to walk with us especially through the tough and difficult times in our lives, and to trust that God will never abandon us? Yes, we do. As Christians our trust in God is built around our faith. It is a faith we should strive to live each day with our family, friends and the people around us.

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Wisdom Workshop for young adults

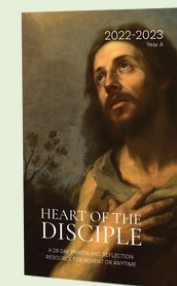
FREE self- discovery workshops for young adults (16-25) in the Ballarat region. Over three sessions, participants will learn powerful skills to Clarify and align with personal values, Manage difficult thoughts and emotions, Create a life of meaning and purpose. Wed 12, 19 & 26 October from 7-8.15pm held at Lucas Community Hub.

More info and bookings: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/wisdom-workshop-free-self-discovery-course-for-young-adults-in-ballarat-tickets-415691814407>

CTC “Engaging Your Faith” online series

Engaging Your Faith is a series of short online presentations that invite participants to reflect on what it means to be people of faith in the contemporary world. Experienced lecturers from Catholic Theological College present on a variety of topics including Theology, Spirituality, Biblical Studies, Pastoral Studies, *Laudato Si’*, Christian Meditation, *Lectio Divina*, Future Technology, and Science and Religion. Choose from 12 online sessions from October 10-28, 2022. Cost is \$25 per session or \$40 per session for teachers. More information available at <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?>

Heart of the Disciple - 28 Day Reflection Resource for Advent 2022



In the way that John the Baptist announced the coming of something new, so giving people hope and offering them healing, we are to live lives that inspire others to reach out to God. To do this, we must learn what it means to have the ‘heart of a disciple’ – increasingly open to hearing and responding to God.

Learning to do this takes time, but it begins with simply ‘showing up’. That is to say, we learn to put the time aside each day to allow God to teach us who he is and how he communicates with us.

If you would like to order a copy of the booklet, either email me portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au or record your name on the list in the foyer of the church. The cost of the booklet is \$5. Payment can be made by placing money in the envelope provided and writing your name on the envelope and then placing in the collection tray. Thank you