St Peter's Parish

Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley

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Sunday 25th June 2017



Recent Deaths: Margrette Bourchier, Russell Jebson, Adrian Murnane, Patricia Vaughan-Flood

Anniversaries: Des Delaney, Margot Driscoll, Dennis Farrington, Barry Hill, Greg Hutchinson, Mavis Kelly, Betty O'Brien, Elizabeth Rawliston, Andrew Warden

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially Margaret Cranko, Bill Gordon, Nic Gowans, Fr John Keane, Grace Molloy, Kerrie Mulcahy, Milly Yeoman

Next week's readings: Sunday July 2nd 2017 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A,)

2 Kings 4:8-11. 14-16 Ps 88:2-3. 16-19. R. v.2 Romans 6:3-4. 8-11 Matthew 10:37-42

Masses: 1st/2nd July 6.30 pm Smythesdale 9.00am Linton 10.30 am Skipton

8th/9th July 6.30 pm Skipton 8.30am Beaufort 10.30 am Snake Valley

Change of Saturday evening Vigil Mass Time at St Patrick's Cathedral

During the three winter months June, July and August. Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 5.30 pm

Linton St Vincent De Paul Conference

Will be holding its annual Winter Appeal during the last two weekends of June and there will be envelopes available in the Churches.

Information Meeting

An information meeting for Parish delegates and members of the Finance Committee will be held on Wednesday 28th June at 7.00pm in the Linton Presbytery to learn details of the proposal of a new school in the area. The meeting will hosted by the Ballarat Frassati Group

Jubilarians' Mass

On Tuesday June 27th Bishop Paul will celebrate 5.00 pm Mass in the Cathedral to celebrate the jubilees of ordination of Frs John McKinnon and Kevin Murphy (60 years), Greg Tait (25 years) and Bishop Peter Connors (30 years episcopal anniversary). All Parishioners are invited to attend.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF)

ACYF is in Sydney December 7-9, 2017. A joyful 3 day immersion in faith with 15,000 other young Australians. Young people (yr 9-30yo) are encouraged to go. Go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or contact Amanda on 5337 7125 or youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Child Safety Standards

New state government legislation has come into effect with the New Year which sets standards for child safety. The Linton parish has appointed Cecelia Rowberry (Smythesdale) as our Safeguarding officer and have a Child Safety Policy to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care.

A Child Safety Code of Conduct has been adopted for all who work with children in the Parish.

Youth and young adults: Pope Francis' Online Survey now open

Please encourage young adults you know to do this survey (Pope Francis wants to hear from everyone whether they are actively connected to church or not). This online survey is seeking opinions and perspectives of young people (16-29) as part of a national consultation process that will inform the world-wide Synod on Youth that Pope Francis is convening in October 2018. The survey closes on **2 July 2017**. Access the survey on the Ballarat Diocese website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au For more information: youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or 5337 7125.

Is God calling you to a deeper relationship with Him

On 29 June Father Doroteo Bravi CFD, a Monk of the Community of the Sons and Daughters of God will celebrate Mass at Saint Patricks Cathedral at 6.00pm. Following Mass he will give a talk in the small hall at the Cathedral on the theme 'is God calling you to a deeper relationship with Him'. After the talk there will be cup of tea. All are invited to attend.

Ph Adrian 0417705488 or Marie 0458618339 for further information

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – now open for new participants

The Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers low-cost opportunities for online study and formation for lay workers in the diocese, both employees and volunteers. A wide range of subject areas are offered: Scripture, Sacraments, Social Justice, Youth Ministry, many more. Registration for the July study cycle closes on 10 July - or you can start in September or later in the year. Details on the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (link is on front page), or contact Amanda, ph: 5337 7125 or email amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Liturgy Formation 2017

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Session in Ballarat on Sunday July 9th with Bishop Paul celebrate 10.30am Mass. Workshops on offer are Funeral Ministry, the Diocesan Sacraments of Initiation Program, "Let the Children Come" and Formation for Lectors. Registration forms are available from Cathedral Office or via www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Fr Frank Madden – note of thanks

On behalf of the Madden family we wish to express our thanks for the support, kindness and well wishes from so many people at the time of Fr Frank's passing. May god bless you all.

Promoting Lay Formation: Cardijn And The YCW In Australia

Commemorating The 50th Anniversaries Of The Deaths Of Cardinal Joseph Cardijn And Fr Frank Lombard. Saturday 29 July 2017Catholic Theological College 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne Cost \$20 per person: Morning Tea, lunch & afternoon tea Registrations: by Wednesday 26 July Jill Doncovio, jill.doncovio@ctc.edu.au or 9412 3304. Numbers are strictly limited

Sisters of the Good Samaritan - The Good Oil 2017 Young Writers' Award

The Good Oil 2017 Young Writers' Award seeks to encourage and support the development of younger writers interested in exploring ideas, contemporary issues and stories about people and happenings from a contemporary Christian perspective. The award is open to ALL secondary school students and post-school young adults in Australia, Japan, the Philippines and Kiribati. Entrants are invited to submit a piece of writing, between 750 and 1000 words adopting one of the following writing styles: journalistic feature writing (e.g. profiles of people or issues-based articles based on interviews); opinion writing; creative writing or first person reflective writing. In their chosen writing style, entrants are asked to explore the theme "Who is my neighbour?". Entries for the award close on Tuesday, July 11, 2017. Thanks to the generous support of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan and Good Samaritan Education, a total of \$3,000 in prize money is on offer. More details can be downloaded from the Good Samaritan Sisters' website www.goodsams.org.au

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