St Peter's Parish Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley Please Contact the Cathedral Office 5331 2933 Parish Office: Jacinta Westbrook, Finance Officer: Philip Westbrook Priests: Frs Justin Driscoll, James Kerr & Anthony Nagothu



Anniversaries: Patrick Daly, Joyce Draffin, Clement O'Brien, Fr Tom O'Brien, Maisie Stickland,

# **Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell**, especially Lyn Alexander, Geoff Hutchison, Fr John Keane, & Kerrie Mulcahy

Next wee	ek's readings: Sundo	ay 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2016	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday d	f Lent (C)
Genesis 1	L5:5-12, 17-18 Ps	26:1, 7-9, 13-14 Phili	opians 3:17-4:1	Luke 9:29-36
Masses:	-	7.30pm Smythesdale 7.30pm Snake Valley	9.00am Skipton 8.30am Beaufort	10.30am Rokewood 10.30am Skipton

### **Holy Hour**

Holy Hour for Vocations start on Thursday 25 Feb (because of Easter there will not be one in March) and every other 4th Thursday in each month, in the Nazareth House Chapel.

7 – 8 PM followed by supper & chat. All urged to come and pray for vacations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

## **Friends of Nazareth**

A meeting for The Friends of Nazareth will be on Sunday 28 Feb, 2pm in our Hall, followed by tea & chat then Adoration, Rosary and Evening Prayer.

Anyone wanting to know more about this spiritual group can contact Sr Clare Ph 5329 5250

## Campion Centre Of Ignatian Spirituality Open Day

Sunday February 21<sup>st</sup>. Learn about St Ignatius and his way of praying, hear what happens in a Retreat centre, find out what spiritual direction in the Ignatian tradition is, and celebrate Mass with Fr Iain Radvan sj (Director). The day starts at 10 am and ends at 3 pm. A light lunch is complimentary. If you can't attend on Sunday, there is also an Open Evening on Tuesday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm. We are at 99 Studley Park Rd, Kew. Please ring the receptionist to confirm your place (98548110). Bookings are essential.

#### **Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission**

During February all Expressions of Interest will be considered and the composition of the Commission finalised. Please note that the Social Justice Commission will meet on these days: March 5, May 14, August 27, November 12. The link to the Expression of Interest form is <u>http://tinyurl.com/bdjsc2016</u> any queries, please contact Vin Dillon, member of the BDSJC (M: 0409175273 Email: vindillon@gmail.com).

The Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission was established in 2011. Since then the Commission has met four times a year and provided leadership for the diocese in matters relating to Social Justice.

Members of the Commission come from a range of areas of Diocesan life including clergy and religious, the education and welfare sectors, and parishes.

I now write to ask you to circulate this information to any parishioners who may have the interest and passion for Social Justice, appropriate expertise and experience, and available time, to be an effective member of the Commission.

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## Youth Every Second Sunday (YESS)

The aim of YESS is to give young Catholics the opportunity to come together, make likeminded friends and grow closer to Christ. The group is open to secondary school aged youth typically meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday night after 5pm Cathedral Mass for games, talks and discussions, supper and prayer, beginning 7<sup>th</sup> February. A short information session for parents will also be offered at 6.15pm to go over the plans for the year. New members very welcome. Any parent inquiries can be forwarded to <u>ballarat@ballarat.catholic.org.au</u>

## Let them Stay Rally

Following the High Court ruling on Wednesday the Ballarat Grandmothers Against the Detention of Refugee Children (GADRC Ballarat) will stand in protest from 10.00 am for an hour or so outside the office of Catherine King MP on Monday 15th February. Please come and join the Ballarat grandmothers and friends when we ask our elected representative to take our message to the Federal Parliament. Please extend this invitation as far and wide as possible. Let them stay rally Monday 15th February 2016 at 10am 5 Lydiard St North Ballarat. Why? No child should be held in detention

**World Youth Day – Register Now** Pilgrimage places are still available but we suggest you register soon: <u>wydvictoria.org.au</u> or contact Amanda on 0427 748 867.

### **Youth Festival Podcasts**

Podcasts of the all the speakers and sessions at the recent Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Adelaide are available for download:

http://www.xt3.com/library/view.php?id=20064&categoryId=27

#### **Post Youth Festival Resource**

This resource is available at:

http://youthfestival.catholic.org.au/images/For they shall see God Post Festival Resource web. pdf

For more youth info: Ballarat Youth and Young Adult Ministry www.ballarat.catholic.org.au



Like many families in her remote village, Doney and her family have often gone months without enough to eat. But with the support of Caritas Australia and local partner CADECOM, the people of Doney's community have learned to harness their strengths. Today they are building new livelihoods, improving health and growing literacy to create paths towards a better future.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2016 and help people in remote areas of Malawi harness their strengths and pave the way towards a thriving future. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting <u>www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion</u> or phoning 1800 024 413.

The Lent Fas	t
Fast from judgement	feast on compassion
Fast from greed	feast on sharing
Fast from scarcity	feast on abundance
Fast from fear	feast on peace
Fast from lies	feast on truth
Fast from gossip	feast on praise
Fast from anxiety	feast on patience
Fast from evil	feast on kindness
Fast from apathy	feast on engagement
Fast from discontent	feast on gratitude
Fast from noise	feast on silence
Fast from discouragement	feast on hope
Fast from hatred	feast on love
What will be your fast?	What will be your feast?