St Peter's Parish Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley

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Fr's Justin Driscoll, James Kerr, Anthony Nagothu

Parish Office: Jacinta Westbrook, Finance Officer: Philip Westbrook

Recent Deaths: Dorothy Davey, Elizabeth Goodwin, Natale Lubicich, Valerie Smith

Anniversaries: Alby Button, Antonio Churkovich, Monica Lange, Frank McAloon, Vinko Marnica, Josie Micich, Mary Anne (Molly) Nunn



Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially Geoff Hutchison

Next week's readings: Sunday 30th August 2015 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1 St James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27 Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23

Masses: 29th/30th August 7.30 pm Smythesdale Vigil, 9.00am Linton , 10.30 am Skipton 5th/6th September 7.30 pm Smythesdale Vigil, 9.00am Linton , 10.30 am Skipton

We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism at Skipton;

Lacey-Louise Ann Grigsby daughter of Marcus & Kylie

May Lacey-Louise grow in faith in her loving family and our Catholic Community.



Jubilee Year of Mercy

(December 8th 2015 to November 2016)

How may we as a Parish celebrate this Year of Mercy, especially in Lent 2016?

Looking Forward Gathering

To be held at OLHC Wendouree on Tuesday September 1^{st} 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm. This is the pastoral planning process of the Diocese of Ballarat and continues from 2014 with a focus on evangelisation, parish improvement and resource sharing amongst parishes.

Holy Hour

Thursday 27th August, Nazareth House Chapel, 7.00pm, for those who are in the discernment process with Fr Ed Moloney.

Palms Australia

Are in need of more volunteers, especially teachers, to go to East Timor & other countries.

Palms director Roger O'Halloran will be in Ballarat on August 23rd and will be at an informal dinner at the Wallace Hotel at 6.00 pm. Inquiries & bookings Frank Hanrahan 0427 051 046

Pope Francis' Ecological Encyclical

Pope Francis' Encyclical on humanity and relationship with their environment is released For further information and follow up action prepared by Catholic Earthcare Australia (CEA) please refer to http://catholicearthcare.org.au/ecological-encyclical/

Diocesan Colloquium, Laudato Si: On Care for our Common Home

Tuesday, August 25, 2015 from 9.00am – 4.00pm at the OLHC Mercy Centre, Gillies Street, Wendouree. Keynote speaker: Professor Denis Edwards will explore Pope Francis' encyclical on the care of our common home. Accompanying Fr. Denis is Catholic Earthcare Director, Jacqui Remond and Lana Turvey of Catholic Mission. Practical experience will be presented by St Francis Xavier Primary School, sharing how they put the theology of the encyclical into practice. Two other presentations will relate to a parish and individual perspective through lived experience. A copy of the recently launched book "The Francis Effect II Praised Be You – On Care for our Common Home" containing responses from 12 Catholic leaders to the encyclical, will be given to each attendee. All welcome. Cost \$15 to cover morning tea and lunch. RSVP by Thursday, August 20 online http://laudatosi.weebly.com/ or Sue Searls m.susan@optusnet.com.au, ph. 0409 401 329 or Susan Crowe scrowe@ceoballarat.catholic.edu.au, ph. 0419 887 274. Sponsored by Catholic Education Office and Catholic Mission.

Nazareth House Auxiliary Coffee Party

Nazareth House Hall Friday 4th September 2015 at 1.30pm admission: \$5.00, Entrance Prize, Devonshire Tea, Raffle, Spinning Wheel, Produce and Fancy Goods Stall

Catholic Women's League Retreat with Fr Brendan Murphy SBD

Fr Brendan Murphy SDB will conduct a Retreat at Nazareth House all day on Thursday and Friday and on Saturday morning, September 24th, 25th & 26th. He will ask us to consider, "Who are we, Where are we going, and How will we get there?" More details later. To register interest, please contact Maureen van der Linden 0431 273 953 mojo6163@hotmail.com All are most welcome.

Julian Burnside, Asylum Seekers - the way forward?

Sunday August 23rd at 2.00pm at the Ballarat Library. All welcome.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Adelaide, December 3rd – 5th 2015

Registrations are now open for Year 9 to 25 years old. Early bird prices available until August 27^{th.} See Diocesan Youth and Young Adult Ministry webpage or www.youthfestival.catholic.org.au.

Sacred Heart College Ballarat East Reunion – Class of 1965

November 7th 2015 for the Sacred Heart College, Ballarat East class of 1965 (Year 7, 1960 to matriculation in 1965). For further information contact Jan Mullaly (Favaloro), 0418 522180 <u>janmull65@gmail.com</u>, or Carmel Frost (Frith) <u>carmel@frost.net.au</u>

St John of God Hospital Ballarat Clinical Pastoral Education Program

From October 1st 2015 to January 29th 2016. More information from the Cathedral Parish office.

World Youth Day Information Sessions

Ballarat on Friday August 28 at 5.30pm in the Cathedral Presbytery, 3 Lyons Street South Ballarat. Contact Amanda on 0427 748867 for more information (or if you're not near Warrnambool or Ballarat!) WYD Registrations open September 1, 2015. More WYD Information on the Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry webpage www.ballarat.catholic.org.au and the Vic Pilgrimage site wydvictoria.org.au

Sacred Heart College Ballarat Reunion - Class of 1965

A gathering is being planned for the Sacred Heart College, Ballarat class of 1965 and anyone who was part of this class from Year 7, 1960 to matriculation in 1965, on November 7, 2015 at the Barkly, Main Road, Ballarat at 12.00noon. For further information contact Jan Mullaly (Favaloro), email inmull65@gmail.com, ph. 0418 522180 or Carmel Frost (Frith) email carmel@frost.net.au or Anne Mibus (Watt) email annemibus@me.com



Annual Collection for Sick and Retired Priests 5th - 6th September

Eighteen retired priests are currently supported by this Fund. Some live privately, some are retired in units in Ballarat North or elsewhere, others live in supported accommodation. The funding required for these commitments is ongoing. Thanks to your generosity, this collection has raised nearly 1.7 million dollars since it began

in 1991, including nearly \$67,000 last year. Along with the priests' own contribution of approximately \$40,000 per year, this annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy. A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible. Envelopes will be available.