

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Ballarat

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Sunday 5th July 2015



Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday

Reflection

This week's gospel sees Jesus returning to his home town of Nazareth. He is well and truly into his public ministry at this point in the gospel and his reputation is obviously growing as a healer and teacher. When he goes to Nazareth the locals are quick to 'put him in his place'. They remember the boy, the teenager, the young man apprenticed to his father's craft. He's a nobody as far as they are concerned; just young Yeshua (Jesus) who grew up here. It is much the same within families and local communities today. No matter how successful and authoritative a young woman or man may have become, a trip home will quickly remind them that in the eyes of those they grew up with nothing has changed. In the gospel passage they even say, that's Jesus – he's just James' brother; no one special! Why would they think they had anything to learn from a brat who grew up in their own town? What could he possibly tell them? They try to force Jesus back into the mould of the person with whom they were previously familiar and comfortable.

We do this to one another all the time. We have certain expectations about the way a friend normally acts or thinks and when they behave differently we react in a way that lets them know that they are not 'being themselves'. In doing this, we are looking to maintain our own comfort zone. We take away the freedom of the other person to grow and change. Many people seem to enter into relationships thinking that neither of them will ever change. This, of course, is an unsustainable assumption. Surely, if we want the best for those we love and care for, we want them to be constantly growing and becoming all that they can be?

This is My Body

This is my Body, given for you
Go now and serve in my name
This is my Body, Given for you
I have no hands but yours.

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Lord we Come to your Table

Lord we come to your table
Lord we hear your Word
Lord, you are our bread of life
And we, the Body of Christ.

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Liturgy Formation Sessions 2015

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission will be presenting Liturgy Formation sessions as follows: July 12 - Wendouree Parish (Mass at 10.00am); July 19 - Colac Parish (Mass at 11.00am); August 9 - East Warrnambool Parish (Mass at 10.30am). For more information and to register to attend one of these days, go to the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Encountering Jesus in our Busy Lives -

Archdiocese of Canberra Retreat: 11-13 September info@catholiclife.org.au

Disaster Relief in Nepal Fundraiser

Loreto College Ballarat are holding a fundraiser movie night for disaster relief in Nepal. The movie is "Paper Towns" on Friday, July 17, 2015 at 7.00pm at the Regent Cinemas Ballarat. Ticket prices are adults \$15.00 each, students/children \$10.00 each. To book contact Catherine Baker, ph. 5329 6137 or online at www.loreto.vic.edu.au/events

Mental Health First Aid Training free for Parents of Teenagers (TPOT)

Free training in Ballarat for parents to help the mental and physical health of teenagers is being conducted by The Centre for Mental Health at The University of Melbourne. Contact Julie Fischer, Trial Manager, Centre for Mental Health, The University of Melbourne, jfischer@unimelb.edu.au, 9035 6770 or mobile: 0401 772 648.

WYD2016 - One Year to Go!

A chance to win one of two \$2000 prizes off your WYD2016 ticket to Krakow! Be at the World Youth Day One Year to Go Festival in Melbourne on July 5, 2015. Hosted by Ballarat's own Esther de Losa and Ben Van Styn, the launch is for all the Victorian dioceses - we will travel together to Krakow! Mass, followed by music, Polish dancing and food, new friends and fun. Fr Rob Galea and the Stronger Band. At the Catholic Leadership Centre East Melbourne. Mass 2.00pm, Festival 3.30pm-5.30pm. Details on Ballarat Diocese website Youth and Young Adult Ministry page. More details and transport info email youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph: 0427 748 867

Proposed new Catholic Primary School in Lucas

We encourage parents and the local community to attend our Community Consultation Evening where information will be provided for the proposed new Catholic primary school in Lucas. We welcome an open dialogue and invite questions in order to help create a nurturing school for our future students. Tuesday, July 21, 2015 from 7.00pm - 8.00pm at the Ballarat Golf Club. To register expressions of interest please visit our website: www.ceoballarat.catholic.edu.au or contact the Catholic Education Office Ballarat, ph. 03 5337 7135, or email cklain@ceoballarat.catholic.edu.au.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

Is a time where Catholics from all over Australia come together to celebrate and acknowledge the gifts that Indigenous people bring to the Catholic Church in Australia. It is also a time to reflect on our own relationships with Australia's first people.

Holy Father, God of Love Holy Father, God of Love, You are the Creator of this land and of all good things. Our hope is in you because you gave your son Jesus to reconcile the world to you. We pray for your strength and grace to forgive, accept and love one another, as you love us and forgive and accept us in the sacrifice of your son. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

(Prepared by Wontulp Bi – Buya Indigenous Theology Working Group)

Stewardship – to receive your quarterly receipt via email please contact Jacinta in the office.

Collections Envelopes \$2,697.00 Parish Loose \$235.70 Presbytery \$1,921.80

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Parish office hours

Monday - Friday 10.00 am – 5.00 pm

Clergy Frs Justin Driscoll, James Kerr, Anthony Nagothu, George Areeckal

Parish Office Jacinta Westbrook

Finance Officer Philip Westbrook

Family Ministry Anita Houlihan

Hospital Pastoral Care Kerrie Gunsser

St Patrick's Primary Mark Hogbin, Principal

St Thomas More Alfredton Rosa Tocchet, Principal

Cathedral Parish Masses	July 11 th /12 th	Skipton	Beaufort	Snake Valley		
6.30 pm Vigil,	8.00 am,	10.30 am,	5.00 pm	7.30 pm	8.30am	10.30 am

Masses during the coming week

Monday	12.05pm Cathedral			
Tuesday	9.30am Redan	12.05 pm Cathedral		
Wednesday	9.30am Sebastopol	12.05 pm Cathedral		
Thursday	9.30am Redan	11.30am St John of God	12.05pm Cathedral	
Friday	9.30am Sebastopol	12.05 pm Cathedral	1.30 pm Benediction	
Saturday	10.00am Cathedral			

Sacrament of Reconciliation Friday 11.00 am, Saturday 11.30 am