



Lifeline: 131114 Ararat Police: 5355 1500 Sexual Assault Crisis line: 1800 806 292

Counselling service: Relationships Australia – 1800 052 674

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Towards Healing – 1800 099 340

### Youth Things

There are a couple of youth events coming up. The parish has a small amount of money to help you get there.

Australian Catholic youth Festival – December 3-5, 2015

World Youth Day (Poland) is fast approaching. Interested?

[youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### Pastoral Letter from Bishop Paul Bird CSsR

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has issued a Pastoral Letter regarding last month's hearing of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. Copies are available in your parish.

### Looking Forward Gatherings in 2015

The 2015 *Looking Forward* Gatherings will be workshop-style and parishioners in leadership roles are particularly encouraged to participate. The Gatherings will be held at 7.00pm in the following places: Warrnambool –Tuesday, July 28; Ararat – Tuesday, August 4; Hamilton – Tuesday, August 11; Horsham – Tuesday, August 18; Colac – Tuesday, August 25; Wendouree – Tuesday, September 1; Birchip – Tuesday, September 8; Swan Hill – Tuesday, September 15. In Sunraysia, the Evangelisation Conference on July 18 will be *Looking Forward*. There are full details about the *Looking Forward* process on the new diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) or an information sheet is attached.

### 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](http://www.loreto.vic.edu.au/events)



## 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B 5th July 2015

As we celebrate, we acknowledge the Indigenous owners of the land on which The Church of The Immaculate Conception is built, the Tjapwurong people, and we respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

### **FIRST READING** Ez 2:2-5

The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 122. R. v.2

**(R.) Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.**

1. To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens:  
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords. (R.)
2. Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of his mistress,  
so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he shows us his mercy. (R.)
3. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. We are filled with contempt.  
Indeed all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich,  
with the proud man's disdain. (R.)

### **SECOND READING** 2 Cor 12:7-10

I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** See Lk 4:18

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;  
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.  
Alleluia!**

### **GOSPEL** Mk 6:1-6

A prophet is despised only in his own country.

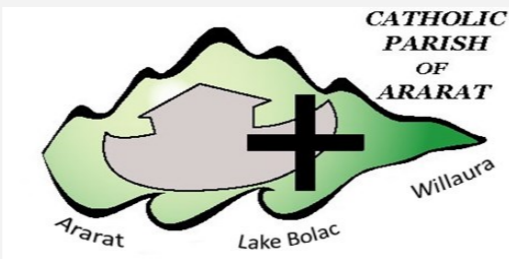
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### **PARISH PRAYER**

Loving God, Good Shepherd of us all,  
gather us and form us into a welcoming Parish family.  
Touch our hearts with your love so that we, in turn, may reach out in love  
to one another, In a neighbourly community.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.  
Amen.

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Wednesday: 8.30 am - 4.30 pm  
Friday: 8.30 am - 4.30 pm

### ARARAT MASS PROGRAMME FOR THIS WEEK

MONDAY 6TH	5.30 pm	Memorial Mass for Sr Kathleen Mercovich
TUESDAY 7th	5.30 pm	Mass in church
WEDNESDAY 8th	9.30 am	Mass in Church
FRIDAY 10th	6.00 pm	Hopkins Correctional Centre
SATURDAY 11th	6.00 pm	Ararat
SUNDAY 12th	8.30 am	Lake Bolac -Assembly of the Word and Communion
	10.30 am	Ararat
	5.00 pm	Family Mass

### A VOCATION VIEW

There is a great need today to stand up for what we believe in. The Spirit of the Lord is upon you, He has sent you to bring Good News to the poor.

"Let us sing as we go. May our struggles and our concern for this planet never take away the joy of our hope."

-Pope Francis @pontiflex 18th June 2015

www.kairos.com.au  
The latest issue of Kairos is now available at the back of the church. \$2 each.

Featuring "A Jewish Perspective on Nostra Aetate"

### 4th/5th July 2015

#### RECENT DEATHS:

Dorothy Parr

#### ANNIVERSARIES:

Tom Gleeson, Robert Jerram, Bill Jaensch, Beryl Christian, Allen Christian, Guisepe Bottiglieri,

Mary McCormick, Gerry Oliver, Margaret Pippard, David McAdie, Vincent Sertori, Mons Bill McMahan, Horace Howlett, Isabella Tonkin, Barbara McCubbin, Fr Len Monk, Fr Coley McKenzie, Jack Ryan

#### SICK:

Shirley Billet, Bernard Joyce

### Special Collection

Please be advised that the Annual collection for the Pope will be taken up at all weekend

Masses this weekend

### THIS WEEK 4th/5th

#### FACILITATOR

SAT: SUN: Greg Carroll

#### READERS

SAT: Kevin Joyce SUN: Matt de Jong

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SAT: G. North, T. Gemmola,  
SUN: G. O'Loughlan, N. Billingsley

#### COUNTERS

Emma

#### GOLDEN GATE COMMUNION

Jewell

FLOWERS Kaye Chamings, Shirley Pickering

#### CHURCH CLEANING

Jewell Start, Pauline Weeks

#### WELCOMERS

SAT: Marg & Ron Jerram  
SUN: Brian & Margaret Joyce

#### LAKE BOLAC

READER: H. Smith

PRAYERS: R. Phillips

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: L. Breen

CLEANING: C. Peacock

### NEXT WEEK 11th/12th

#### FACILITATOR

SAT: Bill Slatter SUN: Pat Lardner

#### READERS

SAT: Jenny McAloon SUN: Christine Bulger

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SAT: R. Jerram  
SUN: M. de Jong, C. Bulger, M. Cunningham

#### COUNTERS

P. Lardner, B.Mannix, P. Brennan

#### GOLDEN GATE COMMUNION

Margaret

FLOWERS Kaye Chamings, Shirley Pickering

#### CHURCH CLEANING

Jewell Start, Pauline Weeks

#### WELCOMERS

SAT: Marg Ryan  
SUN: Lupe & David Anderson

#### LAKE BOLAC- Assembly of the Word and Communion

READER: P. Meek

PRAYERS: L. Breen

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: P. Upton

CLEANING:

### MEETINGS & EVENTS

St Anne's Grandmothers Group - will be meeting this Wednesday 8th July at Margaret Dempsey's House, 8 Coad Street at 2.00pm. All Most Welcome

Memorial Mass for Sr Kathleen Mercovich -There will be a memorial Mass, and cuppa afterwards, for Sr Kathleen Mercovich on Monday July 6 at 5.30pm at St Mary's, Ararat All welcome.

Hospital Visits -Any one who wants to receive Holy Communion or would like for Father to visit them while in hospital please have your next of Kin or the hospital staff inform the Parish office

Ministries -Many People who have ministries at Masses, Facilitators, readers, Eucharistic, are away over the next few months. If you see a vacancy and can assist please do so.

Willaura Church Pews for sale - We still have a few pew left for sale. Pews are being offered for individual sale at \$500 per pew. Pews are 270 cm long x 43cm wide x 93cm high. Please contact Emma Coburn at St Mary's Parish office ph. 5352 5460 or email [ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au). If you or any one you know is interested.

## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday 5th July 2015

We all stand on Sacred Ground.

July 5 is a time where Catholics from all over Australia come together to celebrate and acknowledge the gifts the 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.

### Sacraments Preparation

There will be an information meeting held on Thursday July 30th at 3.30 pm and 7pm for Parents of children preparing to make their Sacraments.