

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

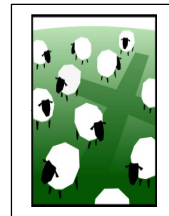
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Fr's Justin Driscoll, James Kerr, Anthony Nagothu, George Areeckal

Parish Office: Jacinta Westbrook, Finance Officer: Philip Westbrook

**Recent Deaths:** Paul Duggan, Jim Mulligan, Moira (Peggy) McInneny,  
Alexander (Tex) Thomson Patricia Troy,

**Anniversaries:** Gerry Boland, Sis Bylsma, Nancy Lenaghan, Bill Mark, Peter Trezise,  
Kath Tuddenham,



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

**Next week's readings:** *Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July*

Kings 4:42-44 Ps 144:10-11, 15-18. R. v.16

*17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)*

Ephesians 4:1-6 John 6:1-15

**Masses: 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> July** 7.30pm Snake Valley

8.30am Beaufort 10.30am Skipton

**1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> August** 7.30pm Smythesdale

9.00am Linton 10.30am Skipton

### **St Vincent de Paul**

The Linton Conference of St Vincent de Paul is looking for some new members. The meetings are held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the second month at the Linton Presbytery.

Please contact President Paddy Kavanagh. 534 0 2165

### **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](mailto:jfischer@unimelb.edu.au), 9035 6770 or mobile: 0401 772 648.

### **Damascus College Performing Arts presents Alfred Hitchcock's The 39 Steps**

Performances run from July 22 to 25 in the Valda Ward Auditorium at Damascus College.

Adults \$15, students/children \$10, family of four \$40. Tickets can be purchased online through the Damascus website [www.damascus.vic.edu.au](http://www.damascus.vic.edu.au)

### **New Diocesan Website**

The new diocesan website is now available to view on google chrome [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au).

### ***World Youth Day Information Sessions***

Are you thinking about being part of the WYD Pilgrimage to Krakow Poland in 2016? Information sessions for potential pilgrims (18-35 years old) are being held on Friday, July 31 at 7.00pm at St Patrick's Cathedral Presbytery, 3 Lyons Street South and Wednesday, August 26 at 5.30pm at Warrnambool in St John's Gathering Space, 169 Kepler Street. Contact Amanda on 0427 748867 if you can't make it to one of these sessions and we'll get the info to you. See WYD Information on the Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry page [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### **Morning Reflection**

Fr James Kerr will lead a morning of reflection at Nazareth House on Friday 31 July beginning at 10am with a cup of tea. There will be time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Penance will be available. Fr James will celebrate Mass at midday and this will be followed by a light lunch for those who wish to stay on. We extend a warm welcome to all who are interested in a quiet time of recollection. A contribution of \$12 to cover costs would be appreciated. Please contact Maureen van der Linden : 0431 273 953

### **Encountering Jesus in our Busy Lives – Archdiocese of Canberra Retreat: 11-13 September**

This retreat is an opportunity for those who are always 'giving', to get away, unwind and relax amidst the beautiful surrounds of St Clement's Monastery, Galong. Within this haven, there will be beautiful times of prayer, inspiring talks and opportunities for silence.

**Retreat Director:** Archbishop Christopher Prowse, **Spiritual Directors:** Shane Dwyer and Eileen Glass, **Venue:** St Clement's Retreat & Conference Centre, Galong,

**Accommodation Options:** Retreat House: \$280 or Monastery Rooms: \$320 (Includes meal Friday night, Saturday, Sunday - breakfast and lunch plus all materials.) [info@catholiclife.org.au](mailto:info@catholiclife.org.au)

### ***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](http://www.ceoballarat.catholic.edu.au) or contact the Catholic Education Office Ballarat, ph. 03 5337 7135, or email [cklain@ceoballarat.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cklain@ceoballarat.catholic.edu.au).

### **Holy Hour**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July at Nazareth House Chapel 7-8.00pm

### ***University of Melbourne - Newman College and St Mary's College***

Newman College and St Mary's College offer scholarships to academically gifted candidates and bursaries to financially-straitened families. Preference is given to Catholic students who come from the Catholic School system. It is important that students choose Newman College or St Mary's College as their first or second choice in their application.

### ***Mercy Sisters & Associates Afternoon Tea***

Come along and have a lovely social afternoon on Friday, July 31, 2015 from 1.30pm - 4.00pm at the Mercy Centre Ballarat (enter through Gent Street). Entrance cost is \$5.00 and this includes afternoon tea and a ticket in entrance prize. Raffle and Spinning Wheel. Money raised will support Mercy Works. Contact Ursula at [gudiamond-keith@live.com](mailto:gudiamond-keith@live.com) or ph. 0407 717 626, 5341 7626, or Helen ph. 0419 875 349.

### ***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/>

### ***Looking Forward 2015 Gatherings***

The 2015 Looking Forward Gatherings commence on Tuesday, July 28 from 7.00 - 9.00pm at Warrnambool. And will be held weekly each Tuesday around the Diocese until September 15. Members of Parish Pastoral Councils and Leadership teams are particularly invited to these workshop-style gatherings. Full information and preparation guide have already been emailed to parishes and can be downloaded from the Diocesan website - [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) - follow link from front page or contact Amanda, ph. 5337 7125.

### ***Soul Food***

Soul Food is a great opportunity for young Catholic adults of 18-35 to come together for Adoration and prayer, whilst getting to know a wonderful group of friends. Please come and join us at Nazareth House beginning at 7pm on every first and third Thursday of the month. It would be great to have you along! For further details contact Grace 0458652474

### ***YESS Youth***

Contacts Esther De Losa 0437 093 957 Ben Van Styn 0422 239 752.

A group is for high school aged youth and focuses on learning about the faith, making like-minded friends, and out-reach. This is achieved by having guest speakers, activities,