



QR Code for Young People

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

ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL ARARAT



2 x FULL TIME ONGOING CLASSROOM TEACHING POSITIONS COMMENCING JANUARY 2016

Applications should be addressed to:

The Principal, Mr Tom Hogan, St. Mary's Primary School, Moore Street, Ararat Vic 3377

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Applications close Monday 14th September at 4pm

(Current staff invited to apply)

Examen -There is a beautiful video by Vinita Wright (just 1 minute) that begins, "In the spring it is my job to envision fruitfulness and commit to it ... to participate in the world waking up ... "Google "examen the tasks of spring"

Parish Assembly – October 25 -Much has happened in the parish in the last 12 /18 months. All parishioners are invited to our Parish Assembly on Sunday October 25, 1.30pm, in the Parish Centre. There is much on which to report. There is much to look forward to. We need your thoughts and ideas.

Luke's Gospel -Fr Kevin Lenehan will present a one hour lecture about Luke's Gospel on Wednesday October 14 at 4pm. This hour will be filmed and made available around the diocese. We need an audience!

Making a Scene at Christmas -This exhibition of about 300 nativity cribs will be coming to St Mary's this year, December 19/20. Put it in your diary. When the time approaches we will need many volunteers to help. Do you have an interesting crib to exhibit? Talk to Fr Andrew.

Pope Francis -Pope Francis has announced 2016 as a Year of Mercy. To honour this we will be showing five 30 minute talks on the person and work of Pope Francis. These are presented by the Diocese of Broken Bay and the bishops of Australia. More info to come.

Funerals in the Absence of Fr Andrew -Two weeks ago the Lake Bolac community had a funeral when I was unavailable. By all accounts it was very well celebrated. A couple of days later we had Denise's requiem Mass. At the Parish Council we discussed that this will no doubt happen again in the future. It would be good to be ready. In time we will be training some parishioners to be commissioned as leaders of our funerals when I am unavailable. More info to come.



23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B 6th September 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 Is 35:4-7

Then the ears of the deaf shall be opened and the tongues of the dumb speak.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 145:7-10. R. v.1

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. *(R.)*
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bound down, the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. *(R.)*
3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan, but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. *(R.)*

SECOND READING Jas 2:1-5

Has not God chosen the poor of the world to inherit the kingdom?

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mk 7:31-37

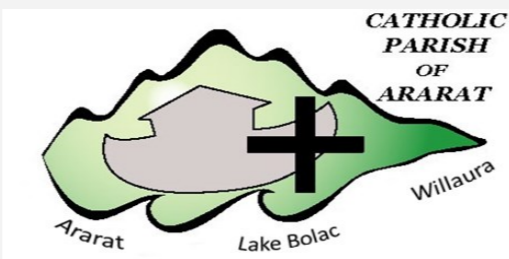
He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

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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

Please Note: This week Fr Andrew will be away attending to Family things.

WEDNESDAY 9th	9.45 am	Prayers at Garden View
FRIDAY 11th	10.30 am	Prayers at Ararat Retirement Village
	6.00 pm	Hopkins Correctional Centre
SATURDAY 12th	6.00 pm	Ararat
SUNDAY 13th	8.30 am	Lake Bolac –Assembly of the Word and Communion
	10.30 am	Ararat
	5.00 pm	Ararat Family Mass

A VOCATION VIEW

Has not God chosen the poor of the world to inherit the kingdom? Chosen to be rich in faith. So take heart, be not afraid, consider your part in God's Kingdom.

“A Christian who is too attached to riches has lost his way.”

-Pope Francis @Pontifex 25th August 2015

5th/6th September 2015

RECENT DEATHS:

Daniel (Mick) Roche

ANNIVERSARIES:

David Lardner, Jess O'Neill, Ken Robson, Barry Mulvihill,
 Dominic DiDomenico, Jean Hennessy, Patricia Cronin, Irene Byrne, Hugh Nailon Snr, Graeme Pitcher, Margaret Smith, William Smith, Kath Ryan, Leslie McNiece, Laurence McNiece, Maurice McNiece, John McNiece, Sarah Williamson, Margaret Waring, John Thomas, Fr Aurelius Maschio SDB, Norma Sutton, Mary Davis, Norma Sutton, June McKinnis, Vess Davey, Ruth Brain , Mary Waring, Margaret Ridgewell, Fr Edward Jerram, Kathleen Edwards, Tups Brady, John Griffin, Eileen Rees, John Seild, Fr Frank McLaughlin Ross McCann, John Hennessy

SICK:

Gita Egan (and baby),
 Shirley Billet, Bernard Joyce

THIS WEEK 5th/6th

FACILITATOR

SAT: Peter Gemmola SUN: Greg Carroll

READERS

SAT: Peter Brady SUN: Matt de Jong

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

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

COUNTERS

I. Brady, P. Gemmola, L.Styles

GOLDEN GATE COMMUNION

Margaret

FLOWERS Mary Cunningham

CHURCH CLEANING

Jewell Start, Pauline Weeks

WELCOMERS

SAT: Margaret Ryan
 SUN: Lupe and David Anderson

LAKE BOLAC

READER: R. Phillips

PRAYERS: V. Albert

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: L. Breen

CLEANING: J. Aldous

NEXT WEEK 12th/13th

FACILITATOR

SAT: Harry Collins SUN: Pat Lardner

READERS

SAT: Kevin Joyce SUN: Christine Bulger

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

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

COUNTERS

Emma

GOLDEN GATE COMMUNION

Jim & Jan

FLOWERS Mary Cunningham

CHURCH CLEANING

Jewell Start, Pauline Weeks

WELCOMERS

SAT: Duane & Mary Stapleton
 SUN: Lupe & David Anderson

LAKE BOLAC - Assembly of the Word and Communion

READER: R. Liston

PRAYERS: J. Aldous

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Jane Higgins

CLEANING:

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Sacramental Program -We will be holding a Morning tea this Sunday 6th September after 10.30 am mass for the children preparing to make their Sacraments to meet with Parishioners. It would be great to see many of you there.

Children and the Toilet –Just a reminder that all children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult when going to the toilets during Mass. This is for the safety of the children.

CWL– next meeting is this Tuesday 8th September at 1.30 pm in the Parish Community Centre. **ALL LADIES MOST WELCOME.**

Collections. Parishioners are reminded that if they wish to contribute to the running of the Parish and don't belong to the Planned Giving program would you please use the envelopes marked for the purpose in the Church seats and place them on the Collection plate.

BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND
Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund provides for retired priests who have spent a lifetime selflessly caring for others, and who deserve a happy and peaceful retirement. The Fund is currently supporting and caring for eighteen retired priests. Over the next few years a number of priests currently in parish ministry will be moving into retirement, and will also need to be supported by the fund.

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. Please give as generously as you can, and help us continue 'caring for those who cared for us'. Special envelopes are available for this collection, which will be taken up today. You may also return your envelope next week.

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

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