



# Parish Newsletter July 3, 2016

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## YEAR OF MERCY

DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 - NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

*Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father,  
and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.  
Show us your face and we will be saved.*



### PARISH VISION STATEMENT:

Our Parish is a welcoming and inclusive community, based on the Christian ethic where our lives are enhanced by worship that enriches, leadership that is shared and service that cares.

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### WEEKDAY MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: NO SERVICE

St Peter's, Daylesford: NO SERVICE

### WEEKEND MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: 8.45am Sunday, July 10

St Peter's, Daylesford: 10.30am Sunday, July 10



Ann-Maree Rodini,  
William Mitchell, Ronald Hood,  
Stan Haintz (*snr*)  
(anniversaries of death)

Sandra Kenyon, Pat Prendergast,  
Imelda McGrath, Jeanette Morris  
(unwell at this time)

## A PRAYER FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

Show us your face and we will be saved. You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

Amen.

(from the Jubilee Prayer of Pope Francis)

**Welcome**  
**Fr TOM BROPHY**  
(so kindly filling in for Fr Gary while he is on holidays)

**St Thomas Aquinas**  
**CLUNES COFFEE CATCHUP**  
**@ Lucky Strike Café, Clunes**  
**TODAY: SUNDAY, July 3rd**  
**@ 10.30am**

**NO WEDNESDAY**  
**MORNING MASS**

**until the**  
**1st WEEK of AUGUST**  
**(Wednesday, 3rd of August**  
**@ 10am)**

**July 10**

**CRESWICK**

**Reader:** Alastair H  
**Leaders:** n/a  
**Comm'tor:** Neil D  
**Sp Minister/s:** Aileen-Barb-Alastair  
**Welc'/Offer'y:** Aileen & Dave P  
**Remote:** ?? Volunteer please ??  
**Counters:** Josie & Brian R  
**Cleaning this week:** Celly C & family

**Collections:** Two collections are taken up after the Prayers of the Faithful. The 1<sup>st</sup> Collection is the Presbytery Collection – this collection is for the support of the local priest, with 13% going towards the support of the retired priests and the Bishop. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection is the Planned Giving (envelopes) for the support of Parish endeavours and structures.  
 Last week: 1st (Priest Support) - \$189.50; 2nd (PG/Parish) - \$342.00

**Thanksgiving Envelopes:**

Envelopes are available for collection down the back. Receipts will be issued by **Leah Monaghan**, our Parish Secretary, after the school holidays.

**Liturgy Formation 2016**

**Launch of 'Let the Children Come'**

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission will be presenting Liturgy Formation sessions in the diocese in 2016 on **FUNERAL MINISTRY, Formation for Lectors** and the launch of the sacramental program, **'Let the Children Come'** - July 24 at Birchip Parish, **August 7 at Ararat Parish (closest)** and August 21 at Hamilton Parish. **As this day includes the launch of "Let the Children Come", all involved in the Parish Sacramental Programs are encouraged to attend.**

**SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY**

**at end of Mass (as you leave):**  
**THE POPE'S ANNUAL**  
**'PETER-PAUL' COLLECTION**



**TODAY IS ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY**

**Reflection** by Dianne Bergant CSS

Although the gospel is a report of ministerial commissioning, it contains elements of discipleship in general. Most obvious is the disciples' dependence on Jesus. They are not independent missionaries; they are followers. Furthermore, there is a communal dimension of discipleship. While there is certainly a personal relationship between Jesus and each disciple, discipleship itself is not a singular privilege that one hugs to oneself to the exclusion of others.

Disciples minister to the needs of others, whatever those needs may be and with whatever abilities the disciple may possess. There are various kinds of healing: a friendly smile, a word of gratitude, a soothing touch. We can teach the lessons of life in classrooms, in playrooms, in kitchens, in boardrooms. There are many ways that we can cast out the demons that hold our world by the throat; demons of poverty and oppression, demons of addiction and slavery, demons of disdain and neglect, demons of hatred and violence. If they are not cast out by us, then by whom?

The life of discipleship is not an unmixed blessing. Because disciples are marked by the sign of the cross, they must expect suffering. Because they do not live according to the standards of the world, disciples will be judged as fools. Some of them will be subjected to even greater suffering. Still, the disciple proclaims that true fulfilment is only found in God! In reality, it is the world that is upside down, not the life of discipleship. And it is the cross that sets things right.

**God of the Holy Dreaming**

God of Holy Dreaming  
 Great Creator Spirit  
 From the dawn of creation you have given your children  
 The good things of Mother Earth  
 You spoke and the gum tree grew  
 In the vast deserts and dense forests,  
 in the cities,  
 At the water's edge, creation sings your praise.  
 Your presence endures as the rock at the heart of our land.  
 When Jesus hung on the tree  
 You heard the cries of all Your people  
 And became one with Your wounded ones  
 The convicts, the hunted  
 and the dispossessed.  
 The sunrise of Your Son  
 Coloured the earth anew  
 And bathed it in glorious hope.  
 In Jesus we have been reconciled to You,  
 To each other and to Your whole creation.  
 Lead us on great Spirit  
 As we gather at this special place  
 Located on land where ancestors of long ago  
 Gathered for work, play and praise  
 Enable us to walk together in trust from the hurt of the past  
 Into the full day which has dawned in Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**