



# Parish Newsletter July 17, 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: Fri 22nd, 10am in Parish Mass Centre

### WEEKEND MASSES -

St Augustine's, Creswick: 8.45am Sunday, July 24  
St Peter's, Daylesford: 10.30am Sunday, July 24



Isobel Wright (recent death)

Val Sealey, Thomas Willmott 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 back Fr TOM BROPHY

(on your last Sunday with us before Fr Gary returns from holidays)

### TODAY

(SUNDAY, July 17th: Straight after Mass)

## St Augustine's, Creswick PARISH COFFEE GATHERING

@ Smokeytown Café, Creswick

(Kindly hosted by St A's Family Group)



## NO WEDNESDAY MORNING MASS

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

**July 24**

**CRESWICK**

**Reader:** David P  
**Leaders:** n/a  
**Comm'tor:** **Volunteer please** (tell Sue today)  
**Sp Minister/s:** Judy-Barb-Margie  
**Welc'/Offer'y:** Pat McK  
**Remote:** Alastair  
**Counters:** Mick & Pete  
**Cleaning this week:** McMahon 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) - \$197.00; 2nd (PG/Parish) - \$481.00

**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.**  
*(Take home info on back table)*



**St Patrick's College**  
**2018 Year 7 Information Evening**

***Wednesday October 26 from 7:30 pm  
in St Patrick's College Chapel.***

***For a 2018 Enrolment Package please  
contact Mrs Caitlin Bennett on 53311688  
or [cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au)***

**Reflection** by Dianne Bergant CSS

Today we see the people of God offering the hospitality rather than receiving it, first Abraham and then Martha. What lessons of discipleship can be learned from these readings?

First and foremost we see how important openness is, for in each case those to whom the hospitality was offered were divine visitors in human form. We can never be sure under what guise God will come to us.

It could be the person on the street who asks for directions, or the one who comes to our place of work to engage the service that we provide. It may be the friend who comes to dinner or the co-worker who acts in a way we did not expect. God comes into our lives in unexpected ways and we must have an open attitude of hospitality if we are to receive the blessings that might come with such visits.

We know that we cannot lay aside the responsibilities of our lives in order to sit with Mary at the feet of Jesus. However, we cannot allow ourselves to be held captive by these responsibilities, regardless of how legitimate they may be. And so we continue to struggle; to carry the burdens that are ours for the sake of the people that we serve; to serve the people in our care realising that we will probably not be able to accomplish all of our tasks or at least as well as we would like. It is in this way that the reign of God struggles to be born.

**Thanksgiving Receipts:**

**A NOTE from Leah Monaghan,  
our Parish Secretary**  
*(based in Daylesford)*

***Apologies for the delay in getting  
thanksgiving receipts issued to you,  
they are now available at the rear  
of the Church.***

***Those parishioners who give via Credit  
Card have not been issued a receipt,  
however one can be issued if you  
require. Please just email the parish  
office -***

***[creswick@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:creswick@ballarat.catholic.org.au)  
[or pass your request on to me through  
Sue (organist) after Mass]***

***Anyone who has not yet received their  
envelopes, some quarterly and  
yearly ones have not yet been issued  
- the school holidays played up  
with my plans a little.***

***Thanks, Leah***