

ROSTERS:

LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

This Week (July 24)

Readers: M Browne/J Browne

Procession of Gifts: B & B O'Callaghan

Ext Minister: C O'Callaghan

Next Week (July 31)

Readers: J Murphy/C Browne

Procession of Gifts: K & G Blake

Ext Minister: J Murphy

Church Care: G Douglas

Church Grounds— July—B Browne

STAWELL:

This Week 6.00PM (July 23)

Welcomer: M Rogers

Readers: J Raeburn/N Rathgeber

Ext. Ministers: J Obi/A Ellis

Procession of Gifts: P Price

10.30AM (July 24)

Readers: K Dallinger/D Duffy

Ext Ministers: G Comitti/S Enriquez/K Dalton

Procession of Gifts:

Next Week

6.00PM (July 30)

Welcomer: S Blake

Reader: D Jones/Y Evans

Procession of Gifts: N Rathgaber/J Raeburn

Ext. Ministers:

10.30AM (July 31)

Readers: M R Thomas/S Little

Ext. Ministers: G Little/M Rowe/F Harney

Procession of Gifts: Cain/Rutter Family

Counters: Today: M & L Habben

Next Week: T & A Ellis

Altar Society: July 22nd—Working Bee 9.30am

MARY'S STATUE: July 24-30 E J Driscoll; 31– August 6 G & G Pickering

READERS PLEASE RETURN THE BOOKS TO THE SACRISTY AFTER MASS.

Extraordinary Ministers, please clean Sacred Vessels after Mass and prepare for the next Mass—fill wine and water cruets, etc.

WEEKEND MASSES YEAR B:

Stawell: Saturday at 7.00pm (Summer time—Daylight Saving), 6.00pm (wintertime—end of Daylight Saving)) Sunday at 10.30am.

Landsborough: Sunday Mass at 8.30am.

WEEKDAY MASSES (YEAR 1):

Tues; Wed; Thurs ; Fri 10.00am. 2nd & 4th Wednesday of Month-Eventide-10.30am.

(Check front of Bulletin for any changes to this routine)

RECONCILIATION:

Stawell: 1st & 3rd Saturday 10.00 am, after each weekday Mass (by request) or by appointment. at any time. At Landsborough: Before 8.20 am Sundays

MEETINGS & GATHERINGS:

Prayer Group: every Monday, 1.30pm.
Cuppa tea Stawell—2nd Sunday after Mass; Landsborough—3rd Sunday after Mass.
St Vincent de Paul: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 2.00pm in Parish Hall.

CWL: 3rd Wednesday commencing with 10.00am Mass.

Scripture reflection group Thursday 2.00pm in the presbytery.

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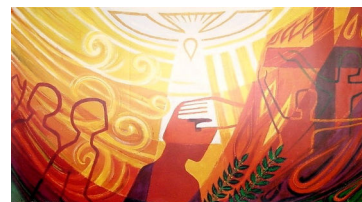
St Patrick's Parish Community
Stawell-Glenorchy-Great Western-Halls Gap-Landsborough-Nararre

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C

July 24th, 2016

SUNDAY MISSAL Pg. 899

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST COMMUNION THIS WEEKEND AT 10.30AM MASS



*Jack Stevens,
Jai Smith,
Jessa Enriquez,
Bella Parker,
Brodie O'Donohue,
Patrick Nellthorp,
Katia Monaghan-
Angelats,*



A very special thank-you to all who have worked to make today (Sunday) a very special day for our Confirmation/First Communion children. Thank you to the families and teachers who have done so

SICK LIST:

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seary; Lourdes dela Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; Lynn Wright; Laurie Healey; Fr Brendan Davey; John Jess; Simon Monas; Wendy Shea; Angela Moore; Jeff O'Donnell; Peter Duffy (Canada); Patricia Price; (Melbourne); Margaret McIntyre; Nance Rutter; Theresa Ellis (Edinburgh); Kate Sargent, Yvonne & Alf Evans; Margaret Boag; Nigel James (Canberra), Mary and Ian Kindred, John Coghlan (Shepparton); June McKee (Mother of Anglican Deacon Heather Scott); Terry Bartlett (WA)
(NAMES ON THE SICK LIST WILL BE CLEARED EVERY 4 WEEKS)

NB: A FAMILY MEMBER OF THE SICK PERSON MUST CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO HAVE NAMES ADDED OR REMOVED.

much to prepare the children for this special day.

THANK YOU: TO THE St Pat's School children who helped plant one of the garden beds on Thursday afternoon. Just have to kill some weeds and wait for Spring.

FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:

Presbytery Collection: \$ 436.00

Parish Collection: \$ 826.00

Loose Collection: \$ 110.20

(Collection is for the clergy stipend, presbytery costs and support of the bishop and sick and retired priests. The 2nd collection is for the upkeep of the parish.

NOTICES FOR BULLETINS:

Please have notices for the Bulletin in by lunch time on Thursdays.

THIS WEEK:

MASSES THIS WEEK: Tuesday , Thursday, Friday—10.00am
Wednesday—Eventide 10.30am

St Vincent de Paul meetings – Tuesday Tuesday 26th July 2.00pm.

THURSDAY— Scripture Reflection, 2.00pm in Presbytery.

CONFESSIONS —Before or after 10.00am weekday Masses by request (i.e. – just ask Fr Eric.) ; 10.00am 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Landsborough—before Sunday Mass. Any other time by appointment.

HUMOUR:

A confirmation student was asked to list the Ten Commandments in any order. He wrote, "3, 6, 1, 8, 4, 5, 9, 2, 10, 7."

Minister: Do you know what's in the Bible?

Little Girl: Yes. I think I know everything that's in it.

Minister: You do? Tell me.

Little Girl: OK. There's a picture of my brother's girlfriend, a ticket from the dry cleaners, one of my curls, and a Pizza Hut coupon

NEWS:



EVERY RELIGION HAS RATBAGS: BARNABY JOYCE

Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce has said that comparing all Muslims to terrorists was like equating all Catholics with the "crazy criminals" of the Irish Republican Army, *The Guardian* reports. In a passionate defence of religious freedom, the Nationals leader emphatically disagreed with the policies of Pauline Hanson's One Nation party such as banning Muslim immigration and putting CCTV cameras in mosques.

"If you put them in mosques, then when I go to Mass are we going to have one in a Catholic church?" he told Sky News.

"You never know. Every group has their ratbags, even Catholics."

"We had, in the past, the IRA, but if someone said every Catholic is a member of the IRA I would say 'no we're not'. They're lunatics, crazy criminals who want to kill people who have nothing to do with the religion I practise.

"In Islam at the moment, they have also got a lunatic fringe. You can't go through every person of the Islamic faith and say they are all just like them."

A strong Catholic, Mr Joyce rejected the idea – put forward by Ms Hanson and more recently television celebrity Sonia Kruger – of a ban on Muslim immigration.

"Why? Because of a person's religion? What happens when you turn that on its head and you start banning people because they are Catholics or because they are Protestants or because they Jewish," Mr Joyce said.

"I'm not into banning people on the premise of their belief. How they see their god is completely and utterly their own personal reason. It's up to them how they practise their religion.

"It's up to them, as long as it doesn't affect me, its their private discussion with the almighty. I'm not here to tell them what they should or shouldn't believe."

The Guardian
20/07/2016

REFLECTION

The readings invite us to reflect on prayer. Whether our prayer be praise, contrition, thanksgiving or petition, it always recognises our need for God. In the gospel Jesus instructs us to ask for what we need. He assures us that God is more than willing to give us what we need. However, for this to happen we must turn to God and humbly acknowledge our need.

The most obvious characteristic of prayer depicted in the readings for this Sunday is persistence. Neither Abraham nor the man in the gospel was deterred by any obstacle. They show that it is not so much that we persist in prayer in order to change God's mind as it is that we persist in order to discover what God's mind might be.

The salutariness of prayer is often found in the change that it effects in us, not in God. By persevering in genuine prayer we may come to acknowledge that all things are in God's hands, and that we can rest content to leave them there, trusting that the situation will be cared for as God sees fit. It seems trite to say that God hears all prayer and sometimes the answer is 'No!' It is better to say that God respects the freedom of people and will seldom intervene to change the way events unfold. Still, prayer can change the one who prays and also the one for whom the prayer is offered if only human need is recognised and divine solicitude is acknowledged.

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