

What's On this week

Wed 31st: 1st Reconciliation

Next Week:

Sat 3rd: First Eucharist

Sun 4th: First Eucharist
Father's Day

Liturgies this Week

Tuesday 10:00 am

Wednesday 10:00 am

Thursday 10:00 am

Friday 10:00 am

Collections, Thank you

Presbytery:1st \$ 580

Parish: 2nd Collection

Envelopes: \$ 854

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Next Week's Readings

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 9: 13—18

Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Luke 9: 11—17

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3rd/4th Sept– 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday OLHC 6.00pm

Minister of the Word: Sue Calistro

Communion Ministers: Val & John Bourke, Trish Pearce,
John Kirby, Mavis McNulty

Sacristans: Joyce Jackson

Leader of Song: Corrie Harbour

Sunday OLHC 10.00am

Ministers of the Word: Eileen Franklin

Communion Ministers: Judith Potter, Helen Rieniets,
Pauline Howard + 2 volunteers

Sacristans: Peter and Deanne Osman

Leader of Song: Vin Dillon

8.30am Mass at the Rural Communities

This weekend - Learmonth

Minister of the Word:

Communion Minister: Margaret McDonald

Next weekend - Waubra

Minister of the Word: Anne Dalton

Communion Ministers: Kerry Gallagher

Church Cleaning:

Learmonth: Bev Hayward

Waubra: Anne Dalton

OLHC: Tony & Ena Bruty

Counters: Brendan Curran, Geoff & Trish
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Our Lady Help of Christians

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Focus on the Scripture

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus is often depicted as sharing meals with those people in the society of the time who were not considered to be appropriate table companions: publicans, tax collectors, sinners and women of dubious reputation. In this meal, Jesus reveals more of the radical reversal of God's way. He challenges the way the Pharisees see their won standing in society as people of status, urging them instead to take the more humble position at table and allow the host, or God, to choose those who should be exalted. He also shatters the Pharisees' idea of table fellowship by urging them to share their festive table with those who are the least important of the outcasts of society. The way to God cannot be organised according to human priority! It was in the ultimate humiliation of crucifixion that Jesus is exalted in resurrection and ascension.

What challenges does this text offer to society today or to the Church which sometimes excludes people of 'inappropriate status' from the Eucharist table?

Who are treated as the 'least important' in our modern world? Who are treated as the 'most important' in our modern world? Do we need to offer a critique on this?

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Parish Office:	Maree Roache 5339 2302		5338 2118
	Wednesday- Friday 9-1pm	Gentle Dove Prayer Line:	
Parish School:	Co-Principal: Paddy Ryan		Val 0412 840 296
	Leigh Bradshaw 5339 4726	Baptism:	Parish Office
Parish Centre:	Bookings: 0439 106 399	Funeral Ministry:	Margaret White
			5339 2003

Responsorial Psalm: God, in you goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Take my yolk upon you: Learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia.

Parish Pastoral Council News:

The PPC meets each month to work for the good of the parish in promoting initiatives that support our faith journey. There are several new members of the PPC. Over the coming weeks members will provide a profile of themselves so that the community can come to know who it is who is representing the Parish.

The **Time and Talent** survey responses are currently being reviewed. Thank you to all those who have generously offered to assist in parish life in many are varied ways.

In response to the recent Stewardship program the Parish Finance Committee note that up funds collected have increased by 60% from this time last year. Thank you!

New **Welcome Sign** for the Parish has been installed. What act of 'welcome' have we done this week?



Profile of PPC Member: Sue Calistro elected in 2016. Sue and her husband John have been members of this parish for 46 years. Their four children were all educated through OLHC School. Sue and John have supported the Parish School wholeheartedly and have become involved in OLHC parish live, making many good friends along the way. Sue's faith journey is an ongoing development and with the support of our Parish Priest and parishioners this journey includes "Putting Back into the Community for the future generations that holds Jesus way of life as our responsibility . Therefore Sue's involvement in the PPC is important to her.

Ballarat Clergy Support Fund: Eighteen retired priests are currently supported by this Fund. The funding required for these commitments is ongoing. Thanks to your generosity, this collection has raised nearly \$ 1.7 million since it began in 1991, including nearly \$54,000 last year. Along with the priests' own contribution of approximately \$38,000 per year, this annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy.

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

Sacramental Program:

Next weekend OLHC celebrates with the 30 children and their families as they receive their First Communion. This follows the children receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time next Wednesday.

Celebration: **3rd/4th September.**



OLHC Parish Get Together Luncheon:

Parishioners are invited to attend our next Luncheon on Wednesday, **14th September** from **12 noon** at the **Park Hotel Bistro**. For bookings please add your name to the list in the church foyer.

OLHC School Movie Fundraiser – Sunday September 11th

Come and watch The Secret Life of Pets, 2:30pm. Tickets only \$11 each! Don't miss out! Tickets will be available after Mass on the weekend of 27th & 28th August or call Mandy Martin on 0439 391 920.



"Time-Out" Family Group are hosting a cuppa next Sunday after Mass. Thanks to the group and enjoy. Please stay and enjoy friendship with your fellow parishioners.

Lost: a ladies gold watch with a black leather band. If found, please hand-in to the Parish Office.

Recent Deaths: Andrew Loader (nephew of Bill Loader), Bernie Hynes (brother of Maureen Marshall).

Anniversaries: Michael Ferguson