

**ROSTERS:**

**LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):**

This Week (September 4 )

Readers: M Browne/C Browne

Procession of Gifts: E Amarant/G Douglas

Ext Minister: J Murphy

Next Week (September 11)

Readers: B G Browne/M Browne

Procession of Gifts: J Murphy/K Vance

Ext Minister: G Douglas

Church Care: G Douglas

Church Grounds— September—P O'Callaghan

**STAWELL:**

This Week 6.00PM (September 3)

Welcomer: S Blake

Readers: N Rathgeber/A Ellis

Ext. Ministers: J Raeburn/P Price

Procession of Gifts: I Robinson

10.30AM (September 4)

Readers: D O'Donnell/E Driscoll

Ext Ministers: K Ashton/M Rowe/M R Thomas

Procession of Gifts: G & G Pickering

Next Week (September 10) 6.00pm

Welcomer: M Cray

Readers: T Brady/Y Evans

Procession of Gifts: J McMahon/D Jones

Ext. Ministers: J Allan

10.30A(September 11)

Readers: M Maestros/S Little

Ext. Ministers: K Dalton/G Comitti/G Little

Procession of Gifts: Carey Family

Counters: Today: G Pickering/E Driscoll

Next Week: T & A Ellis

Altar Society: September 10 — Liz & kay

**MARY'S STATUE:** Sept 4-10 K & P Fenwick; 11-17 M Kinane; 18-24 Liz Driscoll; 25-Oct 1 Helen Prowd; Oct 2-8 Nelthorp Family; 9-15 St Pat's School; 16-22 St pat's School; 23-29 Smith Family.

**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: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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[www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

Our parish website can be accessed through the diocesan site.

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

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C

September 4, 2016

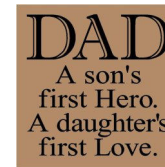
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**RECENT DEATHS:**

Lourdes Stanislaus (Mother of Fr Neville Stranislaus, Parish Priest of Warracknabeal)

**ANNIVERSARY:**

John O'Callaghan; Rita Seebus; Maggie Neville



Happy Father's Day

**BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT UND**



**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 \$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. 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.**

**CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US – THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY**

**VARIETY CONCERT:**

18TH September, Anglican Church, Stawell, \$10.00 entry. Afternoon tea included. Notice on Board at back of the Church.

**HELP REQUIRED to work the data projector, particularly at Saturday Evening Mass.**

**Please contact Fr Eric if you are prepared to give it a go.**

**On site training provided.**

**SICK LIST:**

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seear; Lourdes dela Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; Lynn Wright; Laurie Healey; John Jess; Simon Monas, Wendy Shea; Angela Moore; Jeff O'Donnell; Peter Duffy (Canada); 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); Arch McSparron **NB: A FAMILY MEMBER OF THE SICK PERSON MUST CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO HAVE NAMES ADDED OR REMOVED.**

### CWL Mass Crusade September 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>.

Members are invited to come to morning Mass and take part in the week allotted to Stawell for the Mass Crusade and Pope's Intentions.

### **FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:**

Presbytery Collection: \$ 441.20

Parish Collection: \$ 610.00

Loose Collection: \$ 102.10

(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.



### **ADVANCED NOTICE:**

I will be taking some holidays from September 12. Fr John Pothiyittel will celebrate Masses in my absence. I will be away for three Sundays.

### **HOSPITALIZED AND HOUSEBOUND:**

Families of people who need Communion are reminded that they need to contact the parish office to make arrangements.

### **THIS WEEK:**

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

**THURSDAY— Scripture Reflection**

**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:**

#### **ACTUAL Church Bulletin Bloopers:**

. Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Memorial Church in Racine. Come tonight and hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.

. "The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'"

. Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.

. Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get

### **NEWS:**

#### **A MAN WITH KNIFE AND BOMB ATTACKS INDONESIAN PRIEST DURING SERVICE.**

*Published: 29 August 2016*

A man wielding a knife and axe, and carrying home-made explosives, attacked an Indonesian



priest during a service yesterday in Sumatra, causing minor injuries before being subdued by parishioners, reports The Australian. Police told local media that the man was carrying items marked with an Islamic State insignia, The Washington Post reported.

Indonesian national police spokesman Agus Rianto told The Australian the attack happened at 8.30am as Father Pandiangan held Mass.

They said the 18-year-old had disguised himself as a member of the congregation of St Joseph's Catholic Church in Medan but leaped up to attack Father Albert Pandiangan midway through the service after a home-made pipe bomb in his backpack detonated without -exploding.

"The priest was cut on his left arm," Brigadier General Rianto said. "Churchgoers stopped [the attacker] from doing more harm and pinned him to the ground.

"The churchgoers noticed that the man had left his bag and that smoke was coming out of his backpack. There was a loud bang, like the sound of a firecracker; however, no one was hurt."

Police say they found a pipe connected to a few wires inside his bag, which eyewitnesses said detonated with a bang similar to that of a firecracker, emitting a small amount of smoke and sparks during the service but causing no damage.

Similar pipes, which police said they believed to have contained explosives, were also found in the churchyard and inside a gutter in front of the church.

General Rianto said police had recovered an identity card for an 18-year-old Muslim man named Ivan Armadi Hasugian, with police later confirming that as the name of the suspect.

A spokeswoman for the local Medan police, Rina Sari Ginting, said they were treating the incident as a "terrorism attack" and had found wires in his house identical to those used in his home-made bombs. "We are still interrogating him," Ms Ginting said.

*Photo: Police stand guard outside the church after the attack (Reuters/ABC)*

### **SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**

The wisdom tradition from which the first reading is taken is rooted in the fact that life is a series of choices. The epistle and the gospel reading provide us with examples of the way Christians should choose. Finally, the psalm's description of the fleeting nature of life sets the context and tone of our decision-making.

Discipleship demands that, in the face of all the choices available to us, we keep our priorities straight. In the gospel, Jesus insists that we must be single minded. We must cling to the one thing necessary, and that one thing is authentic discipleship. In choosing Jesus, we choose other things as well. We choose new relationships with the very people to whom we have already been committed. Those who were slaves, or lower class, or employees, or providers of service are now regarded as sisters and brothers in Christ. In choosing Jesus, we also choose the cross. We choose to live in a way that calls us to travel the high road: to forgive offences committed against us; to live simply so that others can simply live; to take responsibility for the moral character of society.

The fleeting nature of life as characterised in the psalm forces us to look at the meaning of life. When the day dawns for us to return to dust, what will we have gained from life? The realisation of our finiteness and the transitory nature of life should help us to set our priorities right and should give us the courage to remain faithful to them.

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