

ROSTERS:

LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

This Week (July 30)

Readers: J Murphy/B G Browne

Procession of Gifts: J & C Browne

Ext Minister: C Browne

Next Week (August 6)

Readers: K Christie

Procession of Gifts: B Amarant/Kate Vance

Ext Minister: G Christie

Church Care: C Browne

Church Grounds— August—J Browne

STAWELL:

This Week (July 29) 6.00PM

Welcomer: M Cray

Readers: L McIntyre/N Rathgeber

Ext. Ministers: J Obi/C Barker

Procession of Gifts: P Price

(July 30) 10.30AM

Readers: L Morgan/K Dalton

Ext Ministers: V Enriquez/G Comitti/K Ashton

Procession of Gifts: L & M Habben

Next Week (August 5) 6.00PM

Welcomer: D McIntosh

Readers: T Brady/A Ellis

Ext. Ministers: M Howard/S Howard

Procession of Gifts: M, H, J, A Smith

(August 6) 10.30AM

Readers: D O'Donnell/E Driscoll

Ext. Ministers: M R Thomas/M Rowe/K Dalton

Procession of Gifts: G & G Pickering

Counters: Today: T & A Ellis

Next Week: G Pickering & E Driscoll

Altar Society: August 5—M Cray/G Pickering

MARY'S STATUE July 30— Aug 5 G Comitti

READERS PLEASE RETURN THE BOOKS TO THE SACRISTY AFTER MASS.

Extraordinary Ministers, part of your duty is to clean the Sacred Vessels in the sacristy after Mass and prepare them 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, before or 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 Mondays 2.30pm in Parish Hall. CWL: 3rd Wednesday commencing with 10.00am Mass. Scripture reflection group Thursday 2.00pm in the presbytery.

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Stawell-Glenorchy-Great Western-Halls Gap-Landsborough

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time. - Year A

July 30, 2017

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RECENT DEATHS:

Joseph Ezenizi (Joy Obi's Brother in Nigeria)

ANNIVERSARY:

Brian Raeburn; Francis O'Sullivan; Marli Tilly

NO MASS ON TUESDAY— APOLOGIES

ECUMENICAL SERVICE:



The 5th Sunday Ecumenical Service will be held here at St Patrick's Church, **TONIGHT**, July 30th.

We encourage you to come along and welcome and pray with members of the other Christian churches of Stawell. Prayer time approximately 45 minutes followed by a cup or tea/coffee in the Hall.

CENTERING PRAYER:

A very good start last Wednesday! THE SECOND SESSION WILL BE HELD IN ST PATRICK'S HALL, THIS WEDNESDAY AT 2.00PM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION:

Parents of Children in Government Schools—Year 2 and above, who have not celebrated the Sacrament of reconciliation/Confession, are asked to register at the Parish office, or see Fr Eric as soon as possible. We need to finalize numbers in order to ensure we have ample material.

SICK LIST

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seary; Lourdes dela Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; Lynn Wright; John Jess; Simon Monas; Angela Moore; Jeff O'Donnell; Peter Duffy (Canada); Nance Rutter; Kate Sargent; Yvonne & Alf Evans; Margaret Boag; Nigel James (Canberra); Ian Kindred; June McKee (Mother of Anglican Deacon Heather Scott); Terry Bartlett (WA); Sharron Pickering; Andrew Van Diesen; Benjamin Wolfson; Karlee Thorpe (Bendigo); Bernie O'Callaghan; Patty Fenwick; Roby Laxton.

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

FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:

Presbytery Collection: \$ 478.15

Parish Collection: \$ 764.00

Loose Collection: \$ 109.75

1st 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.

HELLO ALL

Should you receive any queries from people wanting to contribute to the support fund for Cardinal Pell, please advise them to make their contributions by depositing into the below account the details of which have been provided by Cardinal Pell's staff at the Sydney Archdiocese.

Funds can be deposited into:

Ferdinand Zito and Associates Law Practice

Trust Account

Bendigo Bank

BSB 633-000

Acc No: 1359-51192

Ref Code: LFGP

THIS WEEK:

MASSES THIS WEEK:

Wed, Thurs, Fri 10.00am

NO MASS TUESDAY

Wednesday—Centering Prayer—
Anglican Hall, 2.00pm

**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:

Southern Baptist at the Race Track

Did you hear about the about the Southern Baptist who was in the habit of sneaking to the race track to bet on the horses?

Clean Christian Jokes

One day he was losing badly when he saw a priest step onto the track, walk up to line-up and bless one of the horses on the forehead. The horse was a long shot, but the Southern Baptist thought, "With the priest's blessing, surely this horse will win." He placed a small bet and, sure enough, the horse came in first.

At the next race, the priest stepped onto the track and blessed another horse's forehead. Even though this horse was also a long shot, the Southern Baptist was a little bolder this time and placed a larger bet on that horse. Again, it won.

A third time, the priest stepped onto the track and blessed a horse on the forehead. Like the others, this horse was also a long shot. The Southern Baptist placed an even larger bet this time and, sure enough the horse won.

This pattern continued throughout the day with the priest blessing the forehead of a long shot horse, the Southern Baptist placing larger and larger bets and the horse always winning.

At the last race of the day, the Southern Baptist thought, "I have got to go for broke here." With great anticipation, he watched as the priest stepped onto the field one more time, walked up to the line-up and blessed the forehead, eyes, ears and hooves of one of the horses. The Southern Baptist ran to the ticket counter and bet all he had on that horse.

The horse came in dead last!

As he was walking out, he saw the priest. Walking up to him, he demanded, "What happened? All day long you blessed horses and they won, even though they were long shots. Then at the last race you blessed a horse, I bet everything and the horse lost."

"That's the problem with you Protestants," said the priest. "You can't tell the difference between a simple blessing and the Last Rites."

NEWS:

GGOD BOOK TRANSLATED INTO ABORIGINAL LANGUAGE.

About 5000 central Australian Aborigines are now able to read the Bible in their own Arrernte language, The Catholic Leader reports.

"It's a project that has taken more than 25 years," Divine Word Missionaries Fr Prakash Menezes, who is assistant priest at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish in Alice Springs, said.

"Having their own language Bible allows people their own identity now. And to read the Word of God in their own language has made them happy."

Completion of the "Angkentye Mwerre" Eastern and Central Arrernte Shorter Bible was recently celebrated at a NAIDOC Week Mass in the OLSH Church in Alice Springs.

The project is the result of a long-term collaboration between indigenous elders in Alice Springs and Santa Teresa community, and linguists from the Lutheran community and Australian Society for Indigenous Languages (AuSIL).

They have translated the whole of the New Testament and parts of Genesis, Exodus and Ruth into Central and Eastern Arrernte language.

"It is a phonetic language, so many are still learning to read the Bible in their own language," Fr Menezes said.

Originally from India's Kanataka province in south-west India, Fr Menezes has spent the past two-and-a-half years in central Australia. He believes the new Bible will help breakdown cultural divisions in Alice Springs.

Fr Menezes said a recent example of parish reconciliation was when indigenous elders decided to celebrate their Sunday Mass in Arrernte language in the "main church", instead of the small chapel where the community usually worships.

The Catholic Leader

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION:

Two themes seem to weave through the readings for this Sunday: treasure and delight. The treasure is the extraordinary gift that comes from God; the delight is the joy that we experience when we realise that the treasure is ours. A third theme, which is found in the first reading, picks up a theme that we have considered several times during this period of Ordinary Time, namely, service of others.

The treasure is the kingdom of heaven. It is the prize that gives meaning to the present, and its fullest delight draws us into the future. The reign of God is the fulfilment of our deepest desires and our fondest hopes. Nothing in the world can compare with it, and that is why we are willing to sacrifice everything to attain it. The treasure that we find is really a gift that is given. We need not work to attain the kingdom, nor can we earn it in any way. It is given to us by God. All we have to do is accept it.

Solomon chose to be of service to others. In this he is a model for disciples to follow. We have discovered the treasure in the field; we have found the pearl of great price. What we have been given, we must now give to others. In giving we will lose nothing. In fact, we gain an abundance of blessings. All things work for good, and God is glorified in all. Such is the character of the kingdom of God.

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