

ROSTERS:

LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

This Week (August 6)

Readers: K Christie

Procession of Gifts: B Amarant/Kate Vance

Ext Minister: G Christie

Next Week (August 13)

Readers: C Browne/M Browne

Procession of Gifts: Betty Amarant/J Murphy

Ext Minister: J Murphy

Church Care: J Murphy/Betty Amarant

Church Grounds— August—J Browne

STAWELL:

This 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

Next Week (August 12) 6.00PM

Welcomer: M Rogers

Readers: N Rathgeber/J Raeburn

Ext. Ministers: L Moloney/L McIntyre

Procession of Gifts: I Robinson

(August 13) 10.30AM

Readers: K Dallinger/H Potter

Ext Ministers: F Harney/H Potter/L Morgan

Procession of Gifts: Cain/Rutter Family

Counters: Today: G Pickering & E Driscoll

Next Week: T & A Ellis

Altar Society: August 12— Liz & Kay

MARY'S STATUE Aug 6-12 M Rowe;

13-19 E & N Musumeci; 20-26 P & K Fenwick;

27—Sept 2 M R Thomas

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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www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Our parish website can be accessed through the diocesan site.

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Feast of the Transfiguration - Year A

August 6, 2017

SUNDAY MISSAL Pg. 1008

FEAST OF MARY MACKILLOP— TUESDAY—MASS IN THE SCHOOL HALL—10.00AM.

CENTERING PRAYER:

THE NEXT SESSION WILL BE HELD IN ST PATRICK'S PARISH HALL, THIS WEDNESDAY AT 2.00PM.

OUR DIOCESAN COMMUNITY MAGAZINE is available at the doors of the churches today. This is a free magazine. Please take a copy home today.

WHEN LIFE IS ENDING:

A BROCHURE FROM THE DIOCESE DISCUSSING , ASSISTED SUICIDE AND EUTHENASIA IS AT THE DOOR OF THE CHURCH. PLEASE TAKE ONE HOME AND READ IT.

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; Nicole Lee (Horsham)

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

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN STICKERS:

St Pat's school is collecting the earn and learn stickers offered at the checkouts. Those who wish to give their stickers top St Pats are asked to place them in the box provided at woolies, or place them in the containers in the church. Thank you.

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – now open for new participants

The Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers low-cost opportunities for online study and formation for lay workers in the diocese, both employees and volunteers. A wide range of subject areas are offered: Scripture, Sacraments, Social Justice, Leadership skills, Youth Ministry, many more. Registration for the September study cycle closes on 28 August - or you can start later in October. There are 6 study cycles each year, you can start at any one. Study one subject or do more – it's flexible! Details on the diocesan website

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (link is on home page), or contact Amanda, ph: 5337 7125 or email amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au.

FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:

Presbytery Collection: \$369.30

Parish Collection: \$ 557.00

Loose Collection: \$107.15

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.

THIS WEEK:

MASSES THIS WEEK:

Wed, Thurs, Fri 10.00am—in Church.

TUESDAY—Mary Mackillop—10.00 am in school hall.

Wednesday—Centering Prayer—St Patrick's 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:

While creating woman, God made a promise to man that good and obedient wives would be found in all corners of the earth. Then He smiled and made the earth round. 😊

NEWS:

Below is a somewhat political piece, but it highlights the plight of our Catholic Schools as they strive for justice in regards to Government funding.

TURNBULL AT RISK OVER SCHOOL FUNDING

Published: 31 July 2017



Thirteen marginal seats could be impacted at the ballot box (Bigstock)

The federal government is exposed to a voter backlash in 13 marginal seats along the eastern seaboard that could cost it power after igniting a row with the Catholic education sector, The Australian reports.

Analysis of the 13 seats along the eastern seaboard of NSW, Queensland and Victoria shows that almost 70,000 children were Catholic-educated in those seats last year.

The census data shows that the flow-on effect of the government's war with the Catholic sector could be electorally disastrous, particularly in Queensland, where up to seven seats could be impacted by a long-running church campaign.

The poll comes as Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull faces internal pressure to end the war with the Catholic sector: the fight has spread beyond school funding and struck at the heart of the Catholic establishment, which has vowed to campaign against the Coalition.

Several senior Liberals have told The Australian that lobbying is under way to force federal Education Minister Simon Birmingham to build bridges with the Catholic community, amid concerns about the withholding of \$1.1 billion from Catholic schools after the new deal with the Senate crossbench on the Gonski 2.0 school package.

The \$1.1bn "gap" has created a significant challenge for Senator Birmingham because the Catholic sector believes it provides an advantage to independent schools but he argues that it is a consequence of pushing all non-government schools into a consistent funding formula.

As federal and state Labor prepares to campaign alongside the Catholic sector, analysis of the census data shows the Coalition's biggest challenge will be in Queensland, where up to seven marginal seats will be influenced by the conflict. Four key marginals in NSW will be impacted directly and two in Victoria.

Senator Birmingham said Catholic schools would receive about \$3.4bn extra over the next 10 years as part of his overhaul.

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SCRIPTURE REFLECTION:

In the midst of Ordinary Time we are invited to behold the transfiguration of Christ. By some horrible coincidence, we recall Christ's brilliance on the day that the world marks another cosmic event, its birth into the atomic age at Hiroshima. The paradox of these events should not be lost on us. The white light that shone from Christ was a mere suggestion of the divine splendour that is beyond human comprehension; the flashing light from the atomic explosion was an omen of the destructive force that is within human grasp. It is imperative that the horror of the latter be brought under the control of the glory of the former.

The transfiguration was a moment in time when Jesus' divine glory broke through his humanity and shone with a brilliance that was blinding. We sing of this glory time and again in the psalms. Yet when it really appears we can hardly believe it ourselves. The readings outline three different moments when this glory was revealed. The first was reported by the visionary in the book of Daniel. The second moment was the scene of the transfiguration. The third is hidden in the resurrection testimony of the author of the Letter of Peter.

We are the ones who today possess the prophetic message; we are the present day eyewitnesses of Christ's majesty. We too have moments when we might behold his glory and hear the voice proclaiming his identity, but we need eyes of faith and ears that are open.

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