

# St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Ballarat

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13<sup>th</sup> August 2017

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)



Parish Office hours  
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Monday - Friday 10 am – 5.00 pm  
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Bishop Paul Bird CSsR, Priests, Frs Justin Driscoll, Anthony Nagothu, Sajan Mathew  
Parish Office Jacinta Westbrook, Finance Officer Jess Salazar  
Family Ministry Anita Houlihan, Grounds Tony McVeigh  
Cathedral Parish Pastoral Carer at Ballarat Health Services Tracy Sillekens  
Principals of our three Parish Schools

[St Patrick's Primary](#) Mark Hogbin, [St Thomas More](#) Rosa Tocchet, [Siena](#) at Lucas Jo Brewer

Cathedral Parish Masses	19 <sup>th</sup> /20 <sup>th</sup> August	Smythesdale	Skipton	Rokewood
5.30 pm Vigil, 8.00 am, 10.30 am, 5.00 pm		6.30 pm Vigil	9.00am	10.30 am

## Masses during the coming week

Monday	12.05pm	Cathedral			
Tuesday	7.30 am	10.00 am	12.05pm	5.30 pm	Cathedral (Assumption)
Wednesday	12 Noon	ACU Aquinas	12.05pm	Cathedral	(CWL Conference Mass)
Thursday	9.30 am	Redan	11.30 am	St John of God	12.05 pm Cathedral
Friday	9.30 am	Sebastopol	12.05 pm	Cathedral	
Saturday	10.00 am	Cathedral			

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** Friday 11.00 am, Saturday 11.30 am

**Morning Prayer of the Church** 8.00 am Tuesday – Friday in the Cathedral

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** Monday & Tuesday 10.00 am – 11.45 am, Friday 12.30 pm

**The Rosary** is prayed in the Cathedral at 11.15 am Wednesday – Friday

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena** - 7.00 pm each Wednesday evening at Nazareth House and prayers on the 1st & 3rd Friday in the Cathedral at 11.00 am.

First Saturday Devotion to Our Lady - 10.30 am in the Cathedral

**Charismatic Prayer Group** on the 22<sup>nd</sup> August. 7.00pm in the MacKillop/Glowrey rooms

**Next week's readings:** Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup> 2017

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Isaiah 56:1.6-7

Ps 66:2-3 5-6. 8. R. v.4

Romans 11:13-15. 29-32

Matthew 15:21-28

**Recent Deaths:** Alan James, Frances Morris, Namusio Oleio

**Anniversaries:** Jack Barbetti, Kalayil Chacko, Kunjamma Chandy, Bryan Dowling, Eileen Dowling, John (Joe) Groten, Merv Lewis, Moira Lewis, Con & Bonnie McDermott, Marie & Ray Malthouse, Molly Nunn, Jack Nuttall, Lorraine Parker, Thomas P C, Veronica & Chris Ratcliffe, Mary Margaret Rinaldi, Maureen Sandry, Mark Timmins,

**We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism;**

Oskar John Olszewski

son of Brent & Trudy

Caoimhe Anne Devlin

daughter of Eamon & Alice

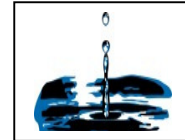
Zoe Amelia George

daughter of Ian & Danielle

Freya Mary Ferguson

daughter of Tony & Emma

May they grow in faith in their loving families and our Catholic Community.



**Youth Synod Questionnaire**

The second part of the Youth Synod 2018 preparatory consultation with our Diocese is a Questionnaire. Groups and individuals of all ages are invited to respond. Pope Francis wants to hear from Dioceses around the world and responses to the Questionnaire will form part of the preparations for the world-wide **Ordinary Synod on Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment** in Rome in October 2018. The Questionnaire is available on the Diocesan website (*Latest News* on home page). Please email responses by August 15<sup>th</sup> 2017. For more information contact [youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or 5337 7125.

**Preparing for Confirmation**

This weekend at the 5.30 pm, 10.30 am and 5.00 pm Masses, the 105 children preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be dismissed after the Gospel. We welcome them, together with their families. Dismissals for the children will occur at each of these Masses during the month of August. The dismissals will be held in the smaller hall and led by members of the parish sacrament team. It is a requirement that sacrament team members hold a current Working with Children Check. Confirmation will be celebrated over two weekends in September; 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Assumption College Kilmore**

Are you a former a former student of ACK? It will be celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2018 and there are many events being planned for former students. Please phone Maria Cleve in their Alumni office on 5783 5343 or email [maria.cleve@assumption.vic.edu.au](mailto:maria.cleve@assumption.vic.edu.au)

**Collections** Envelopes \$1,467.00 Parish Loose \$329.95 Presbytery \$1,915.25

**Counters** 13<sup>th</sup> August Team 4 Next week team 3. Thank you to all contributors and counters

**Celebrating the Centenary of Fatima** prayers in the Cathedral at 3.30 pm on Sunday August 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **Legion of Mary**

Screening of the DVD 'The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima'. on Tuesday, 22 August 2017, at 1.30 pm. In the McKillop/Glowrey rooms. A light lunch will be provided before the movie.

### **Father Robert McCulloch at Nazareth House**

Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 6.00 pm Mass followed by a Presentation commencing at 7.00 pm  
"Can Christianity survive in Pakistan" All welcome. Inquiries 0401175045

### **Mass times for the Feast of the Assumption of Mary – Tuesday August 15<sup>th</sup>**

Cathedral 7.30 am, 10.00 am, 12.05 pm, 5.30 pm

St Thomas More School Alfredton (parishioners welcome) 9.15 am

Skipton 5.30 pm, Snake Valley 7.00 pm.

St. Aloysius Redan 9.30am, St James Sebastopol 6.00pm

### **Alpha Adult Faith Opportunity**

Each Thursday evening, 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm you are invited to join with others to explore your own adult faith. The Alpha format is very accessible, involving a 25 minute presentation on some aspect of our faith which is followed by small group conversation, then some whole group reflection and prayer. Some of those who are inquiring into the Catholic Church and who will join the RCIA have joined the Alpha experience together with existing Catholics at every stage of the faith journey. This past week the presentation was on Reading the Bible. Next week's presentation is on How Does God Guide Us?

### **Catholic Women's League Centenary Year State Conference**

In their centenary year the CWL will hold their conference here in Ballarat in St Patrick's Cathedral Hall on Wednesday – Thursday August 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> with the Conference Mass being celebrated at 12.05 pm on Wednesday. Wednesday afternoon session open to all/parishioners at 1.30pm guest speaker at 2.00pm

### **Gospel Reflection**

### **Veronica Lawson RSM**

The church knows what it means to be "battered by the waves". Over its two millennia history, there have been periods of discrimination and persecution against its members. Countless church members have died for their faith, while others have been and are being denied the freedom to practice their religion. There have also been times when the church has fallen far short of its own ideals and has quite seriously betrayed the gospel values it seeks to embody and proclaim. It is presently "battered" by huge even terrifying waves, largely of its own creating. Only God can bring order out of the chaos, and God works through the courageous witness and action of faith-filled disciples.