

**Liturgy Rosters:**  
Many thanks for the wonderful works you do!

*This weekend: 5th November*

**Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm**

Leader: H. Webb  
Reader: D. Kierce  
Ministers: F. Mizzi, M. Lambert  
Gifts: M. Gregory, H. Stevenson  
Welcome: D. Baudinette

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Leader: K. Loftus  
Reader: J. Sandeman  
Ministers: F. Arnott, B & M McGenniken  
Gifts: K. Sullivan, J. Hall  
Welcome: B & M McGenniken

*Next weekend: 12th November*

**Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm**

Leader: L. Cooper  
Reader: P. O'Brien  
Ministers: A. O'Brien, A. Burns  
Gifts: D. Baudinette, G. Priestley  
Welcome: F. Mizzi

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Leader: K. Howman  
Reader: P. Howman  
Ministers: K. Arnott, J. Fitzgerald, K. Loftus  
Gifts: L & D Goebel  
Welcome: L. Goebel

**Church Flowers:** Maureen Schultz  
Kath McNamara

**Church Linen:** 05/11 L. Goebel

**Church Cleaning:**  
05/11 K. McNamara, M. King  
12/11 P & G Priestley, K. Howman

**Heywood:** 05/11 vol. pls

**Dartmoor:** Cleaning: Tracey Bull  
Flowers: Vol. please  
Mowing: Noel Bull

If you would like to receive a weekly copy of "The Spire" by email, please send us an email and we can add you to a list of subscribers

**Prayer After Communion:**  
(For Minsters to the Home-bound)

**God my creator breathe on me again, renew me, refresh me, extend my abilities, comfort me in adjusting to changes in health, mobility and activity.**

**Body and Blood of Jesus Christ flow through every fibre of my being.**

**Keep me well, and hope filled always.**

**Holy Spirit use me in my situation, for the good of others. Amen.**

**Our Finance**

**Planned Giving for Parish Account**

Given last week : \$ 1,379.00

Target \$64,000

Total YTD 2017/18 \$ 24,116  
Total YTD 2016/17 \$ 21,593

World Missions

\$503

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

**Account Name:** Portland Catholic Church  
**BSB:** 083 532  
**Account No.** 5159 81661

**Donation to Building Fund \$21,000, thank you**

**Presbytery Account**

Priest support: \$ 633.30

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

**Account Name:** All Saints Presbytery Portland  
**BSB:** 083 526  
**Account No.** 24476 6002



**5th November 2017**

**31st Sunday Ordinary Time Year A**



**Weekday Services 07/11 to 10/11**

**Tuesday:** No Mass  
**Wednesday:** 5.00pm Mass  
**Thursday:** 10.00am Mass  
**Friday:** 9.30am Adoration  
10.00am Mass

**\*Note\* Funeral Masses will always take the place of Weekday Mass for that day.**

**Recent Deaths:**

Eileen Ryszewski

**Anniversaries:**

Stan & Mollie Murphy, Ted Kempton, Eric Lovell, Jim Clynes, Veronica Anderson, Thelma Byron, Peter Dawson, Les Shepherd, Bernadette Collins, Barry Bourke, Doreen Atkinson

**Prayer Requests:**

Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Claire Jesser, Sr. Margaret Keane sjc, John Smith, Lea-anne Bourke, Rudy Legray, Graeme Sewell, Gavin & Joan Carr, Ted Murphy

*If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you*

**Weekend Mass & Sacrament of Penance times.**

**PORTLAND**

Mass: Saturday 6.30 pm,  
Sunday 10:30 am

**HEYWOOD**

1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays,  
9.00am Mass  
2nd & 4th Sunday, Lay Led Assembly, 9.00am

**DARTMOOR**

2nd & 4th Sundays 8.45am Mass

**Children's Liturgy**  
November 12th  
Mel & Anne

Baptisms by appointment with Fr. Gregory

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday 10.30am or any Saturday 6.30pm vigil

Marriages by appointment with Fr Gregory Tait.

Sacrament of Penance By Appointment with Fr Gregory.

**"The Spire"**

**All Saints' Parish**

**Portland - Heywood - Dartmoor**

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Priest: Rev. Gregory A. D. Tait, Adm.  
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Parish Secretary: Antonella Webbstock  
Wednesday & Friday 9.00am till 3.00pm

*All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.*

**Psalm 130**

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

O Lord, my heart is not proud  
nor haughty my eyes.  
I have not gone after things too great  
nor marvels beyond me.

Truly I have set my soul  
in silence and peace.  
A weaned child on its mother's breast,  
even so is my soul.

O Israel, hope in the Lord  
both now and for ever.

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

**Gospel Acclamation**

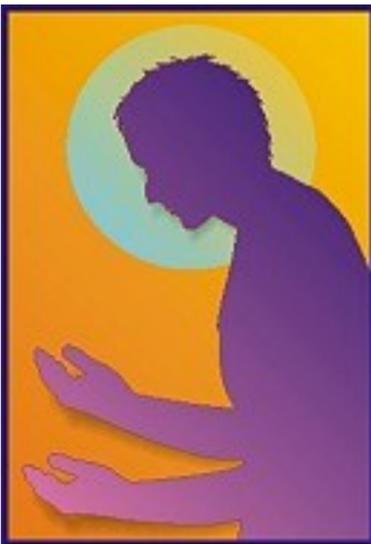
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia!  
You have one Father, your Father in heaven;  
you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ.  
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia!

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## Gospel Connections - Matthew: 23: 1- 12

Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi.

'You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one Master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.'



## Gospel Reflection - by Dianne Bergant css

Since Vatican II the responsibilities of leadership have been spread throughout the community. This has not happened simply because there are fewer priests and religious. It has occurred primarily because the Council itself insisted that by virtue of their baptism all Christians are called to discipleship, which includes active participation in the mission of the church. While those who are ordained continue in specialised forms of leadership, other people have stepped forward to assume their newly recognised responsibilities. Sometimes they have more influence in the church than do the ordained.

We derive the connection between pharisaical and hypocritical from Jesus' description of the Pharisees found in today's reading. His condemnation, along with the condemnation of the priests in the first reading, should be a warning to all who in any way exercise leadership. We must always be on our guard lest the trappings of leadership ensnare us and we fail in our responsibilities toward God and the community we serve.

There is a mode of leadership that reflects the very meaning of authority. This way of leadership authors life. It is characterised by the striking image of a nursing mother who both gives and sustains life. Those who exercise leadership in this way create a community where life is fostered, not stifled, where talents serve all of the members, and the talents of all of the members are invited to serve. Such a community not only nurtures its members, it is itself the author of life in the world.

### My Parish

**My Parish is comprised of people like me.**

**I help make it what it is.**

**It will be friendly if I am.**

**Its pews will be filled, if I fill them.**

**It will do great work, if I work.**

**It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver.**

**It will bring people into worship and fellowship, if I invite and bring them.**

**It will be a Parish of loyalty, and love, of fearfulness and faith, and a Parish with noble spirit.**

**If I, who make it what it is am filled with these things.**

**Therefore, with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all these things that I want my Parish to be.**

**All Saints Outreach Op-Shop: (In Target Car park) Phone: 55 211587**

**The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is in urgent need of good quality clothing; bric a brac or furniture.**

Please ring Outreach for pick up if necessary. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Outreach.

Outreach is open Monday to Friday 10 am - 4pm and Saturdays 10am - 12 mid-day.

As Outreach is our main fundraiser for the Parish we urgently need Volunteers to give 3 hours in the mornings or afternoons.

**Please contact Marg Herbertson at Op-Shop for further information.**

### Dates to remember

Anointing Mass - Wed 6th December 12.00pm

Portland Community Carols - Sunday 10th December 5.30pm

### Briny Bunch

The Briny Bunch Family Group will be gathering at Anne and Bob's place on Friday, 10th November at 6:30 pm.

Please bring your own drinks and some finger food to share.

### Class attending Friday Mass

Children from 5/6 BO & 5/6 KO classes will be attending mass on Friday 10th November. All parents and grandparents welcome.

### Your voice matters – euthanasia and assisted suicide.

This coming Friday the Victorian Upper House will debate a bill to legalise euthanasia and assisted suicide. The Victorian Bishops are concerned about the consequences of this law for vulnerable people. They are asking that we contact our representatives now and voice our opposition. Two Western Victoria representatives are undecided. Their votes will be decisive. We particularly encourage people to contact the office of your local MP with a brief and courteous message voicing your opposition to the bill.

James Purcell MLC

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### RCIA

Have you been wanting to participate in the sacraments of the Catholic Church? Was Catholicism for Dummies not quite enough to understand your spouse?

Have felt you needed greater contact with Christian Spirituality? All Saints Parish will soon begin the "Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults" the pathway for entry into the church.

Any interested persons are invited to attend the three enquiry sessions on November. 2nd, 9th & 16th at 7.30pm at the Parish Office 117 Bentinck St. For more information contact Rev. Gregory Tait mobile 0475 512 530 or via email on greg.tait@ballarat.catholic.org.au.

### Leadership for Mission 2018-2019

A Graduate Program for Young Catholic Women aged 25-35. Combines theological education, faith formation and preparation for mission in a multi-faith world. For more info and an application form go to <http://www.opw.catholic.org.au/young-women-s-interfaith-fellowship/leadership-for-mission-2018-2019>. Applications close Sunday, November 26.

### "Family Matters Forum" Website Resource

For those who missed Fr Frank Brennan and the Family Matters: Strengthening Respectful Relationships opening address, you can now watch or listen to his entire presentation. Other resources can also be accessed via this page that has been built for your use. The site also contains information about workshops (Tuning in to Kids, Keeping the focus on children in blended families, having the suicide conversation and family violence) and prayers:

[www.2017familymatters.weebly.com/](http://www.2017familymatters.weebly.com/)