

**ROSTERS:****LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):****This Week** (November 12)**Readers:** J Murphy/J Browne**Procession of Gifts:** J Murphy/K & L Vance**Ext Minister:** B Amarant**Next Week** (November 17)**Readers:** B G Browne/M Browne**Procession of Gifts:** K & G Blake**Ext Minister:** C Browne**Church Care:** M Browne**Church Grounds—** November—Volunteer**STAWELL:****This Week** (November 11) 6.00PM**Welcomer:** D McIntosh**Readers:** T Brady/A Ellis**Ext. Ministers:** D Jones/J Raeburn**Procession of Gifts:** J Allan

(November 12) 10.30AM

**Readers:** D O'Donnell/E Driscoll**Ext Ministers:** M R Thomas/M Rowe/K Dalton**Procession of Gifts:** Cain/Rutter Family**Next Week** (November 18) 6.00PM**Welcomer:** M Rogers**Readers:** J Raeburn/N Rathgeber**Ext. Ministers:** L Moloney/E McIntyre**Procession of Gifts:** I Robinson

(November 19) 10.30AM

**Readers:** K Dallinger/H Potter**Ext. Ministers:** F Harney/L Morgan/J Van Diesen**Procession of Gifts:** P Gooden**Counters: Today:** T & A Ellis**Next Week:** June Raeburn**ALTAR SOCIETY:** November 11 Margaret & Di**MARY'S STATUE:** Nov 12-18 N Rathgeber;  
19-25 J Launder; 26-Dec 2 E & N Musumeci**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 A:****Stawell:** Saturday 6.00pm

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. Funeral Masses take the place of weekday Mass)****RECONCILIATION:**Stawell: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.*The English translation of the Psalm Responses, the  
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# St Patrick's Parish Community

Stawell-Glenorchy-Great Western-Halls Gap-Landsborough

**32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A****November 11, 2017****SUNDAY MISSAL Pg. 48****WORLD DAY OF THE POOR****RECENT DEATHS:** Karlee Thorpe**CENTERING PRAYER:**Thank you to those who have sup-  
ported Leslie in making this time a  
verf prayerful and rewarding one.**OUR DIOCESAN COMMUNITY****MAGAZINE** is available (FREE) at  
the doors of the church. Take one  
home today.**BEREAVEMENT TEAM:**Any person interested in being part  
of a Parish Bereavement Team is  
asked to contact Fr Eric.**ROSTER FOR LANDSBOROUGH:**I would like to print a proper roster  
for Landsborough. Our numbers  
have decreased considerably in re-  
cent times, and we need to "regroup"  
and sort out our various ministries.**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, Terry Bartlett (WA); Sharron Pickering; Andrew Van Diesen; Ben-  
jamin Wolfson; Bernie O'Callaghan; Patty Fenwick; Robby Laxton; Nicole Lee (Horsham); Dominic  
Browne; Pat O'Callaghan; Brian O'Loughlin**NB: A FAMILY MEMBER OF THE SICK PERSON MUST CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO HAVE NAMES ADDED OR  
REMOVED.**Anyone who wishes to be considered for  
any ministry, please see Fr Eric ASAP.  
Thank you.**CUP OF TEA/COFFEE** after 10.30AM  
Mass this morning. All Welcome.**CWL MEETING:** Wednesday, 15 Nov.,  
10.00am Mass.  
Shared lunch, please bring small salad or  
sweets. Cold meats provided.**PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH:**  
Wednesday, December 6 at 12 noon at  
Goldfields Restaurant, Ararat Road, Sta-  
well. \$25.00 per person.  
1st beer, wine, soft drink free.  
Names to be in by November 26 after  
10.30am Mass. Sign sheet at door of the  
church. All most welcome.**FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:**  
Presbytery Collection: \$ 506.05  
Parish Collection: \$ 575.00  
Loose Collection: \$ 115.50  
*Collection is for the clergy stipend, presby-  
tery costs and support of the bishop and  
sick and retired priests. The 2nd collection*

is for the upkeep of the parish.

**Friday, November 17 at 11.30am**  
**(Note change of time), the Victorian Minister for Education, the Honorable James Merlino, will open the new school building and the renovations to the existing building. In the absence of the Bishop, Fr Eric will bless the building.**  
**Principal Liz McIntyre and Fr Eric most cordially invite all parishioners to the**

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES:**

Just a reminder that Saturday evening Mass is now 6.00pm all year round

**FRONT DOORS:**

The front doors of St Patrick's Church are closed on weekdays, to keep the bad guys out. However, the side door is always open to let the sinners in to pray.

**THIS WEEK:**

**WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK:**

Tues; Wed, Thurs 10.00am in the Church.

**NO MASS FRIDAY—OPENING OF SCHOOL BUILDING AT 11.30AM**

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2.30pm**

**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:**

A boy asks his father to use the car and the father replies “No, not until you cut your hair!”.

The boy replies “But father...Jesus had long hair!”

To which his father says, “Yeah, but Jesus walked everywhere.”

**NEWS:**

**GOVERNMENT MUST HELP REFUGEES**

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It is time for Australia to deal with asylum-seekers and refugees according to this nation's proud tradition and the best nature of its citizens, writes Parramatta Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv. in Catholic Outlook.

The safety and wellbeing of over 600 asylum-seekers on Manus Island are at risk following the closure of the regional processing centre. These men, most of whom are proven refugees, were held in mandatory and indefinite detention under an agreement between the Australian and PNG governments.

Now after more than four years, this agreement has not worked. It has failed to provide welfare and safety to the detainees. Furthermore, very few have been resettled elsewhere.

Australia, which authorised the detention of these asylum-seekers in the first place, cannot abrogate its responsibility. The situation on Manus Island is turning into a humanitarian disaster and it is a direct result of our governments' failed policy.

As a nation that prides itself on its respect for the rule of law and its globally responsible citizenship, we must find a workable and principled solution.

It is time for us to deal with the issue of asylum-seekers and refugees according to this nation's proud tradition and the best nature of its citizens.

We can do a whole lot better, just as we did welcome “those who've come across the seas” after the wars in Europe and in Southeast Asia. The concern for maritime border security does not have to make us into a mean-spirited people. This is not who our First Peoples are, nor should it be the characterisation of all Australians today.

The policy of offshore detention has cost Australia dearly. But it has cost the detainees and their families even more. I appeal to the government and political leaders to act in accordance with our honourable tradition.

It is time to find an alternative and conscionable solution, including accepting New Zealand's offer of resettlement and bringing the remaining detainees on Manus Island to Australia.

Bishop Vincent Long is the Bishop Delegate for Migrants and Refugees.



**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION:**

The early Christians thought that all their questions about death had been answered with the resurrection of Jesus. Therefore, when loyal Christians began to die, not only did their old questions come back, but also they were plagued with new and difficult ones. Was it possible that those loyal Christians had not been loyal after all? Or worse, were the promises made by Jesus empty promises? No! Paul assures us. It is all true. Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again, and all the faithful will be joined with him. How it will happen, we do not know. When it will happen, we do not know. That it will happen, we are sure.

The wisdom that we have culled from life becomes the treasury from which we draw the prudence and insight needed to negotiate life's paradoxes. It throws light on our strengths and on our weaknesses; it enables us to discern what is important and what is not; it directs us to bring extra oil in our lamps. Life and the wisdom that we have acquired through it, have taught us that we can indeed trust the promises of God. They have been fulfilled in the past, and wisdom assures us that they will be fulfilled in the future. It is wisdom that cautions us to be vigilant, to be ready to adjust our plans. It is wisdom that prepares us for the night watches of life. It is wisdom that instructs us to be ready at all times.

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