

**Ararat and Lake Bolac CHURCH ROSTER**

<u>Day &amp; Date</u>	<u>Facilitator</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>	<u>Golden Gate Communion</u>	<u>Welcomers</u>	<u>Counter</u>	<u>Collector</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Cleaning</u>
<b>Sat May 19th</b>	G. White	P. McAloon	T. Gemmola, G. North & MA McDougall		R&M Jerram & Tom Kidd	P. Lardner, B. Mannix & P. Brennan	P. Gemmola	M. Stapleton & Joan Bond	J. Clery
<b>Sun May 20th</b>	J. Brennan	R. Cooper	M. Cunningham, Sr. John & C. Reid	J&J Crowe	Kathy Leggett & Blessie Stoneman	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
<b>Sat May 26th</b>		Beck Rodger	H&A Collins		Marg Joyce & Tom Kidd	C. Bush & J. Clery	G. White	M. Stapleton & K. Chamings	K. Scherger
<b>Sun May 27th</b>	P. Lardner	C. Bulger	G. O'Loughlin, N. Billingsley & S. Reid	D&M Lister	L&D Anderson	(as above)	Jim Crowe	(as above)	(as above)
<b>Lake Bolac</b> Sun 20th May	<u>Reader</u> M-A Otto	<u>Prayers</u> M Phillips	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u> John Higgins	<u>Cleaner</u> J Upton & K Gleeson	<b>Lake Bolac</b> Sun 27th May	<u>Reader</u> R. Liston	<u>Prayers</u> K. Gleeson	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u> L. Breen	<u>Cleaner</u> L. Breen

**Saint of the Week** St. Rita **Feastday:** May 22 **Patron** of impossible cases, difficult marriages, and parenthood Birth: 1381 Death: 1472 Saint Rita was born Margherita Lotti in Roccaporena, Italy in 1381. The day after her baptism, Rita was surrounded by a swarm of white bees, which went in and out of her infant mouth without hurting her. Rather than being alarmed, her family believed she was marked to be virtuous and devoted to God. At an early age, she begged her parents to allow her to enter a convent but was instead arranged to be married to a cruel man named Paolo Mancini. Young Rita became a wife and mother at only twelve years of age and her husband was a man of violent temper. In anger, he often mistreated Rita verbally and physically. Read more on [www.catholic.org](http://www.catholic.org)

**Child Safe Church**

Here at the Church of the Immaculate Conception we follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we also implement procedures and standards as directed by the Ballarat Diocesan Office.

Our Safe Guarding Officer is Emma Coburn and you can download our Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy from the Parish website. If you have any concerns whatsoever—please contact the Parish Office, Fr. Andrew or the Safe Guarding Officer on [ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

**Lifeline:** 131114      **Ararat Police:** 5355 1500  
**Counselling service: Relationships Australia** – 1800 052 674  
**Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Towards Healing** – 1800 099 340  
**Sexual Assault Crisis line:** 1800 806 292

**Church Toilets**

All children—Primary school age and under— must be accompanied by an adult. Thank you for your understanding.



**Sunday, 20 May 2018:  
Pentecost Sunday - Mass during the Day - Year B**

As we celebrate, we acknowledge the Indigenous owners of the land on which our Churches are built, the Tjapwurong people, and we respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

**19th/20th May 2018**

**RECENT DEATHS:**

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Sr Kathleen Desmond, Alma McAdie, Fr Henry Allen OSA, Malcolm McLeod, Reg Palmer, Mary Stevens, James Kelly, Cataldo Busittil, Margaret Dowd, Theophilus Coker, Bertha Coker, Josephine Coker, Joseph Coker, Sabina Coker, Mick Schwab, Kathleene Creenaune, Redmond O'Halloran, Mary Lewer, Patsy Hinchey, Peter O'Rorke, Jennifer Laidlaw, Peggy McAdie, Gladys Lister, Fr Laurie Gallagher, Eva Neulist

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Greg Shea, Sr. Geraldine Stapleton, Charlie Martin, Carmel Brennan, Jan Young, Sr. Alexia Riddington, Susan Fitzpatrick

*If you would like a sick person prayed for, ask for their permission. Names will be included for the duration of ONE MONTH after which family or friends can request more time.*

**Please pray for the intentions of:**

Libby Shea and Linden Horsman

**First Reading Acts 2:1-11**

*They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.*

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30**

(R.) Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

- Bless the Lord, my soul!  
 Lord God, how great you are,  
 How many are your works, O Lord!  
 The earth is full of your riches. (R.)
- You take back your spirit, they die,  
 returning to the dust from which they came.  
 You send forth your spirit, they are created;  
 and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)
- May the glory of the Lord last for ever!  
 May the Lord rejoice in his works!  
 May my thoughts be pleasing to him.  
 I find my joy in the Lord. (R.)

**Second Reading 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13**

*In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.*

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful  
 and kindle in them the fire of your love.  
 Alleluia!

**Gospel Jn 20:19-23**

*As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.*

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**PARISH PRAYER**

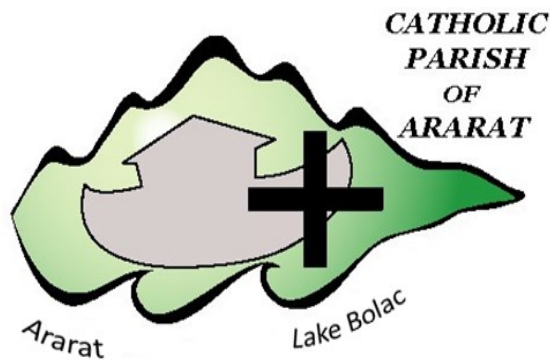
Loving God, Good Shepherd of us all,

gather us and form us into a welcoming Parish family.

Touch our hearts with your love so that we, in turn, may reach out in love to one another,

in a neighbourly community. We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen.



**Parish Priest:** Fr. Andrew Hayes  
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www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

**Parish Secretary:** Joyce Clery  
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**Office Hours:** Wed/Thurs/Fri 10am-3pm  
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**Safe Guarding Officer:** Emma Coburn  
ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au

**Parish Council Chairperson:**  
Charlie Reid

**Finance Committee Chairperson:**  
Peter Gemmola

**Funeral Ministry:**  
Joan Fitzpatrick, Sr. Maree, Harry Collins & Sioux Reid

**Catholic Women's League:**  
Jan Crowe (President) & Anna Collins (Secretary)

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:**  
Vinnies Shop/Centre 03 5352 5560  
President: Peter Brady  
Manager: Kathleen Leggett

**PRINCIPAL ST. MARY'S SCHOOL:** Mr Bill Hill  
Download newsletter: www.smararat.catholic.edu.au  
Ph: 03 5352 5460

**PRINCIPAL MARIAN COLLEGE:** Mrs Carmel Barker  
Download newsletter:  
www.mcararat.catholic.edu.au  
Ph: 03 5352 3861

Parish Centre

Our Parish Centre is used for various activities—from Graduate Teacher Professional Development Days, Family Celebrations, Formal Meetings to a gathering place after a funeral.

It is a space that can accommodate up to 100 people comfortably and has an industrial kitchen. If you would like more information—please contact the office (Joyce) on 03 5352 5460

**MASS TIMES**

**Ararat** (Immaculate Conception)  
**Saturday** 6.00pm  
**Sunday** 10.30am

**Lake Bolac** (St. Bernard's)  
**8.30am** 1st, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
*2nd Sundays at Glenthompson at 8.30am*

**Masses This Week**

**Tues 22<sup>nd</sup>** 9.30am Church

**A VOCATION VIEW**

Be guided by the Holy Spirit, because with the Spirit comes, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self control. With God's help, come forward to proclaim to those who are searching for meaning in life. As the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

**Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2017**

"I express my great sorrow over the dead and wounded in the Holy Land and the Middle East. Violence never leads to peace. Therefore, I call on all sides involved and the international community to renew efforts so that dialogue, justice and peace may prevail."

**Project Platypus are hosting two workshops for women. Amazing value—please see the flyer on the notice board.**

Church Collections	Planned Giving	Presbytery
February	\$2287.00	\$3424.70
March	\$2538.00	\$3534.00
April	\$4469.00	\$5315.00
Variation from previous 3 months	-\$2813.00	-\$2039.00

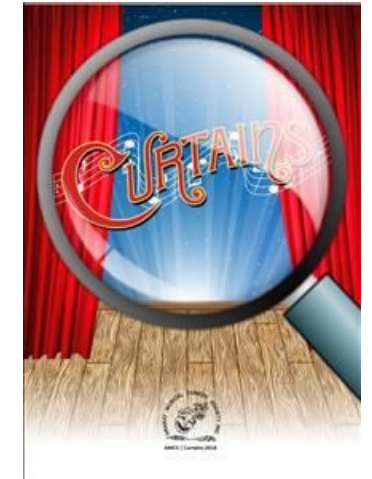
**Curtains** (Starring our very own Christine Bulger and Joyce Clery in Lead Roles!!)  
**ARARAT MUSICAL COMEDY SOCIETY**  
**Stawell Entertainment Centre** **BOOK NOW!**  
26 May 2018 to 3 Jun 2018 [www.stagecenta.com](http://www.stagecenta.com)  
*For more info—please see the poster on the notice board*

View Session Times

Tickets - Adults \$25.00  
Concession \$20.00  
Under 18's \$15.00  
Family (2+2) \$70.00  
Duration - 150  
Restrictions/Warnings  
Contains loud noises  
Murder (stylised / not gory)

**Show times:**

Saturday May 26th 7.30pm  
Sunday May 27th 1.30pm  
Friday June 1st 7.30pm  
Saturday June 2nd 7.30pm  
Sunday June 3rd 1.30pm



**Liturgy Formation 2018**

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions this year: Birchip - Sunday, May 27; Ararat - Sunday, June 24; Hamilton - Sunday, July 29. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass at 10.30am with the formation program beginning at 12.00noon. Lunch will be supplied by the parish at 1.00pm. [Registration Forms and stamped addressed envelopes on the notice board for your convenience](#) Registration is also available via the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

**New advisory body to monitor Catholic reforms in response to child sexual abuse tragedy**

On the notice board is a joint media release from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and Catholic Religious Australia on the establishment of a new advisory body to assist Catholic leaders in their ongoing work responding to child sexual abuse. The Implementation Advisory Group, led by chair Jack de Groot, will monitor progress within the Catholic Church and propose additional initiatives to support the safety of children and vulnerable adults. As the release outlines, the Implementation Advisory Group will be one of three important groups working collaboratively as the Church continues an ongoing process of change that shapes Catholic ministry in Australia.

**St Alipius Parish Coordinator Position**

St Alipius Parish Ballarat East invites applications for the part-time position (16 hours per week) of Parish Coordinator. A Position Description and Application Form can be accessed on the Parish website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/employment](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/employment).

**Heaters in the Church**

Parishioners in Ararat will notice the new heaters. It would be lovely if those sitting closest to the heaters turn them off at the wall at the end of each Mass. Many thanks.



**Funeral Ministry**

The ACU Centre for Liturgy is offering a public Short Course "From death to new life: preparing and celebrating Catholic funerals" in both Melbourne and Geelong. In Melbourne it will be run on at the ACU Mercy Lecture Theatre and Chapel on 4 Wednesday evenings in June, and in Geelong over two Saturdays (June 16 and June 23) at St Mary of the Angels Catholic Parish, Pioneer Room and Basilica. Leading scholars will investigate a Christian theology of dying and death and explore how the Order of Christian Funerals celebrates death in a specifically Catholic way. Experienced priests and funeral directors will discuss how they care for the dead and for those who grieve. There will also be an opportunity to prepare a Catholic funeral for yourself or a loved one. Registration is essential, at [http://www.acu.edu.au/acu\\_centre\\_for\\_liturgy/short\\_courses](http://www.acu.edu.au/acu_centre_for_liturgy/short_courses). For more information phone 02-9701 4751. Flyer attached to foyer notice board.