

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Ballarat

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June 10th 2018 Tenth Sunday (B)



Parish Office hours
Friday 10.00am – 5.00pm
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Cathedral Parish Pastoral Carer at Ballarat Health Services Tracy Sillekens
Cathedral Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Jess Salazar who may be contacted through the Cathedral Office

Principals of our three Parish Primary Schools

[St Patrick's Primary](#) Cathy Whelan, [St Thomas More](#) Rosa Tocchet, [Siena](#) Jo Brewer

Cathedral Parish Masses June 16th/17th **Smythesdale** **Skipton** **Rokewood**
5.30pm Vigil 8.00am 10.30am 5.00pm 6.30pm Vigil 9.00am 10.30am

Masses during the coming week

Monday	12.05pm	Cathedral		
Tuesday	12.05pm	Cathedral		
Wednesday	12.05pm	Cathedral		
Thursday	9.30am	Redan	11.30am St John of God	12.05pm Cathedral
Friday	9.30am	Sebastopol	12.05pm Cathedral	
Saturday	10.00am	Cathedral		

Sacrament of Reconciliation Friday 11.00am Saturday 11.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Monday 10.00am – 11.45am Friday 12.30pm

Sung Responsorial Tenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

Recent Deaths: Denis (Jim) Barry, Eileen Dean, John Gelder, Brian Keating,
Francis Rieniets, Julie Tebb,

Anniversaries: Maureen Costigan, Mary (Bernadette) Dozzi, Sr Anna Gaha
(Loreto), Peter Hammond, John Melican, Frank Reilly,
Kath Spiers, Brune Streckfuss, Geoffrey Torney

Next week's readings: *Sunday June 17th 2018 11th Sunday Ordinary Time (B)*
Ez 17:22-24 Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. 2 Cor 5:6-10 Mk 4:26-34

We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Alice Maree Taylor daughter of Wayne and Leah

Celestine Eva Dcouto daughter of Neil and Mary

Knox Dooley and Rush Cameron

sons of Matthew and York



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

Alpha – Adult Faith formation opportunity

June 13 from 6.00pm to 7.30pm in the Cathedral Presbytery.

Session topic: 'Why and how should I read the bible?'

Soup and Sandwich Luncheon - Asylum Seeker Fundraiser - June 20th

On Wed, June 20th at 12.30pm, you are invited to the Annual Luncheon at Nazareth House Hall. Indigenous, Irish and Sth Sudanese dance groups will perform while you hear a presentation on Caroline Chisholm - The Immigrant's Friend. Entry \$20. All welcome. Performances begin at 1.10pm. Inquiries - 0401175045.

Church Cleaning

More helpers are required for our Church cleaning roster. Helpers are rostered once every 4 weeks, for approximately one hour 1 hour. If you able to help please contact the Parish Office – 5331 2933

Funeral Ministry

The ACU Centre for Liturgy is offering a public Short Course “From death to new life: preparing and celebrating Catholic funerals” in Geelong over two Saturdays (June 16 and June 23) at St Mary of the Angels Parish. 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. For more information phone 02-9701 4751. Registration essential http://www.acu.edu.au/acu_centre_for_liturgy/short_courses.

Catholic Professional Standards Ltd - Consultation Forums with Survivors, their Families and Advocates

National Catholic Safeguarding Standards Consultation will be held in Ballarat on Friday, June 15 from 11.00am - 1.00pm at Royal Craig's Hotel. For more information and to register:

www.cpsltd.org.au/news-and-media/survivor-families-advocates-consultation-forums/

Asylum Seekers Fundraiser

The House of Welcome Ballarat is hosting a Soup and Sandwich Luncheon during Refugee Week on Wednesday, June 20 at Nazareth House Ballarat, 12.30pm. There will be performances, a presentation on “Caroline Chisholm – The Immigrants Friend”, stalls, competitions and the launch of the 2018 major fundraiser (prizes include a family holiday in Victor Harbor). All funds raised will assist local asylum seekers and their families. Enquiries, ph. 0401 175 045 or 5332 2103, email annekav123@yahoo.co.uk.

Collections Envelopes \$1,781.00 Parish Loose \$351.00 Presbytery \$2,421.75

If you would like to join the Stewardship by making a regular financial contribution to the Cathedral Parish, you can do so by either direct debit or the envelopes. Please contact Jess Salazar in the Parish Office.

Counters June 10th Team 5 *Next week team 6.*

The Gospel for today reminds us that we are in a “covenant” relationship with our God. We renew that covenant in every celebration of the Eucharist. The Israelites of old sealed their covenant with God in animal sacrifice, a practice we may wish to critique, and in the celebration of a meal (Exodus 24:1-12). The blood of the slain animal was sprinkled on the altar and on the people. The people knew that blood signified life: if blood spilled out then life spilled out. The altar signified God. The sprinkling of the blood denoted their shared life with God. They were called to be holy as God is holy. The symbolism of the Jewish covenant ritual informs today’s Gospel story of Jesus’ final Passover meal with his disciples. Through the actions and words of Jesus, the bread broken and shared becomes his body broken and “given” for them. The sharing of the cup of wine becomes their sharing in the life of Jesus “to be poured out for many”. Bread and wine in this context have taken on a new meaning.

While all analogies fall short, we might begin to understand this mystery by considering the Eureka flag. The flag is constructed of fabric and thread. It is housed in the Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka and protected with the utmost care. Because of its associations with the Eureka rebellion and what Eureka stands for in Australian history and folklore, it carries the story that informs its creation as well as all the goodness of its fabric and thread. It has acquired multiple levels of meaning.

Through the actions and words of Jesus, the bread and wine of the Eucharist likewise signify something entirely new along with all the goodness of their materiality. They are Life for us, the shared life of the Risen Christ. We are called to bring that life to others, to give life for the sake of the many. Reading the passage in the context of Mark's gospel provides some insight into how we might do this. The eleven preceding verses recount stories of contrasting responses to Jesus as he faces his final days: temple authorities plot to destroy him; an unnamed woman “breaks” an alabaster jar and “pours” the healing perfume on his head, thus anointing his body “for burial” through eucharistic action; Jesus declares that what she has done will be told “in remembrance of her”; a close friend seeks to betray him. Betrayal and rejection are ever present possibilities even in Eucharistic communities. We are all too aware of this as we endeavour to address the consequences of child sexual abuse in our communities. We need to learn from the other possibility presented to us in this context, namely that of pouring out the healing perfume of compassion and love on our fractured Earth communities.