

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

This weekend: 22nd July

Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm

Leader: Vol. pls
Reader: P. O'Brien
Ministers: F. Mizzi, A. O'Brien
Gifts: G. Priestley
Welcome: F Mizzi

Sunday: 10.30am

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

Next weekend: 29th July

Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm

Leader: L. Cooper
Reader: P. O'Brien
Ministers: M. Lambert, A. Burns
Gifts: M. Gregory, H. Stevenson
Welcome: F. Mizzi

Sunday: 10.30am

Leader: K. Loftus
Reader: P. Howman
Ministers: L. Goebel, D. Arnott, J. Sandeman
Gifts: J & A Milani
Welcome: vol. please

Church Flowers: 16/07 Judy Hall

Church Linen: 15/07 L. Goebel

**Church Cleaning: 22/07 K. Howman, G. Lewis
29/07 The Arnott Family**

LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

All Saints Parish has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness. By leaving a gift to your Parish in your Will, you will leave a legacy of faith – a legacy to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue both for today's needs and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.

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, Inc. EFT: \$ 1,830.00

Target \$64,000

Total YTD 2018/19 \$ 4,549
Total YTD 2017/18 \$ 3,610

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

Presbytery Account

Priest support: \$ 557.25

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



22nd July
2018
16th Sunday
Ordinary Time
Year B

Weekday Services 24/07 to 27/07

Tuesday: 5.00pm 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:

Sr Eily (Camillus) Sheehy SJC

Anniversaries:

Bob Newton, Ernie Sanders, Teresa Debono, Poppy Newell, Noel Oakley, Lola Smith, Ernest Herbert,

Prayer Requests:

Paul Kierce, Margaret Coultie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Claire Jesser, Sr. Margaret Keane sjs, John Smith, Lea-anne Bourke, Rudy Legray, Graeme Sewell, Michelle Mutch, Merl & Ken Bridges, Michael McIndoe.

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

DARTMOOR

4th Sunday 5.00pm Mass

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.

Children's Liturgy

July 22nd
Kate/Jamin

"The Spire"

All Saints' Parish

Portland - Heywood - Dartmoor

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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 22

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff,
with these you give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Gospel Connections - Mk 6: 30 - 34

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length



Reflection - Veronica Lawson RSM

In every life, there is need for a balanced rhythm of work and recreation. With so much pain and suffering in our world, the demands of living a gospel way of life can overwhelm us and cause us to act as though everything depends on us. While we can never really escape the responsibility of being there for those in need, today's gospel reminds us that there is a time for being out on mission and a time for being with the one who calls and sends us.

The apostles have been busy—preaching, healing and driving out the “demons” as instructed. They now report back to Jesus with an account of their activities and are invited to take time to rest and recuperate. “Come away to a desert place all by yourselves and rest a while” is the invitation that Jesus extends to them. The reference to desert evokes the wilderness of Sinai through which the people of Israel travelled for forty years. For the contemporary reader, it evokes the diversity of life in the desert, on the one hand, and the desertification of so much of the earth's surface as a result of tree-clearing and mindless destruction of forests on the other.

The “rest” that Jesus proposes is short-lived: the crowds pursue him. His response to these crowds is a physical one: he is “moved with compassion”. The Greek verb for being moved with compassion suggests a “gut” reaction in Jesus: he is physically affected in the depths of his being by the plight of the people who are “like sheep without a shepherd”, and he is ready to do something about it. As the story continues, we find Jesus inviting his disciples to accept responsibility for relieving the hunger of the people in the desert. “You give them something to eat” is his instruction to those who would turn the people away.

Like the Israelites of old, the afflicted Earth community in any age needs good leaders or “shepherds” who will “practice justice and righteousness in the land”, as the first reading from the prophet Jeremiah reminds us. The Hebrew word for justice refers to justice in the law courts. The word for righteousness is about right relationship at every level. Jesus demonstrates for his disciples and for us what justice and righteousness entail.

As the gospel story unfolds, we find that Jesus' disciples are wellmeaning, though slow to learn. They are a bit like us in that. The more we take time to reflect, however, the more likely we are to respond with the compassionate heart of the “shepherd”, and the more likely we are to achieve lasting justice and right relationship in a world of unconscionable disparities and unprecedented displacement of peoples and of other-than-human species.

Reflection by Artist - Jenny Close



In Mark's Gospel, the ‘great crowd’ who followed Jesus around is a bit blurred and individuals are not recognisable. Jesus describes the crowd as ‘sheep without a shepherd’. He is clearly tired of the demands made on him, but he feels compassion for his followers. They are looking for leadership – someone to draw new meanings from life. Jesus will give them more than they bargained for. His message, about God's basileia, evokes renewal and transformation.

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

Portland Combined Churches Service

- Sunday 29th July, 6pm All Saints Church
- Sunday 30th September, 6pm Citiport CoC
- Sunday 30th December, 6pm St John Lutheran Church

Shared Table Project - Lima Peru

The \$52 annual gift to the Project will take place in the month of July. Please put the \$52 in an envelope marked Shared Table and your name and address and put on Collection Plate. If you are a new parishioner and would like to donate \$52 to feed the children in Peru, you are most welcome to join our generous band of helpers. This is our 13th year. Any further information Marg Herbertson - the Parish Co-ordinator of Shared Table Project. Mobile 044761467.

Giving to date \$1,195.30. Please ensure your donations are finalised in the next 2 weeks.

Parish Book Club

This month the Parish Book Club will be looking at any novel by Neville Shute and will be held at 5 Poland St on the 26th of July at 8pm.

Save the Date - BBI-ACBC eConference

The 14th National BBI-ACBC eConference will be held on August 8, 2018 from 10.00am – 2.05pm, “Synodality in Practice: Listening to the Spirit and Leading Change”. Registrations are now open at www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/shortcourses/2018/eConference.

This seminar will be presented by two highly esteemed visiting professors from Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Canada - Monsignor John Renken, Dean and Dr Chad Glendinning, Associate Professor

Pope Francis calls synodality a ‘constitutive element’ of the Church. Since the entire Church is synodal in its essence and all its relationships, synodality must be experienced in all its various collaborative structures and in its worship. Therefore, the focus of the seminar will be the ‘structures of synodality’ and liturgical worship, how these would function with an increasingly synodal spirit.

This important seminar is timely considering the preparations for the Plenary in 2020 and a highlight in the Governance & Canon Law calendar of 2018.

Liturgy Formation 2018

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering the final Liturgy Formation Session for this year at Hamilton on 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.

You are welcome to participate in the 10.30am Mass at Hamilton with Bishop Paul Bird.

Program for the After noon begins at 12.00noon with an address from Bishop Paul on Pastoral care. Other sessions for Formation are included below.

Launch of the Guidelines for the Use of Visual Display Systems in Liturgical Celebrations: This workshop will explore how to ensure that those gathered in prayer are able to participate fully, consciously and actively in the liturgy being celebrated.

Prayerful Engagement with Scripture in the Liturgy: This workshop will look at the role of Scripture in the Liturgy and how we can engage with Scripture in a prayerful way.

RCIA: On overview of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the role of the parish.

Registration is asked for catering purposes. Registration is available via the diocesan website;

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-and-agencies/dsp-default.cfm?loadref=247