



Newsletter



St Peter's Daylesford: Sunday Mass 10.30am

St Augustine's Creswick: Sunday Mass 8.45am

St Joseph's Blampied: Midland Hwy Blampied.

Parish Office: Daylesford Wednesday 10.00 am until 2.00pm

Parish Staff: Parish Priest of Daylesford & Creswick- Fr Gary A Jones. **Parish Admin:** Mrs Leah Monaghan
Parish Office: Phone 53018161 Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Leah Monaghan. Website: ballarat.catholic.org.au

Parish Primary School: St Michael's Mr Ethan Corfee; St Augustine's Mr Terry Brennan.

Recent Death: Patrick Treacy



Anniversaries of Death: Maximillian Richards, Gerry Laundl, Christine Monaghan, Jack Hart, Miranda Jones, Mary Daly, Frank Mitlik, Mary French,

Prayers for the Sick: Peter Kerr, Luke Taylor

Last Week's Collections: *Two collections are presented after the Prayers of the Faithful. The 1st Collection is cash toward the Presbytery for the sustenance of our Priest – with a contribution of 13% to provide support for our retired priests and the Diocese. The 2nd Collection is the Planned Giving (envelopes) or cash for the administration of the Parish & general running costs*

Creswick Parish Collections 1st Collection : \$254.10 2nd Collection \$152.00

Daylesford Parish Collections: 1st Collection \$ 308.90 2nd Collection \$163.30

Joy+ Diocesan Youth Festivals! Ballarat Diocese is holding 3 x day-long Festivals called Joy+ for youth and young adults 15-30yo. From the Murray to the Sea, in Robinvale on Sunday 5 August, in Warrnambool West on Sunday 2 September, in Ballarat on Sunday 25 November @ 12.00 noon to 8.00pm. Come to one or more! Features Genevieve Bryant & band and special guests. Free event - registration necessary and now open www.trybooking.com/WHVU. This is an initiative for the Year of Youth - *Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy!* More details check youth ministry web pages www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or email youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au **Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention** ACYMC 2018, the Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention is a national conference for Youth Leaders and Ministers from September 21-23 in Sydney. Registrations are now open. For more info and to register go to www.acymc.org.au or contact the Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Ministry Office, ph. 5337 7125.

Migrant & Refugee Sunday-Migrant and Refugee Week (August 20-26) and Migrant and Refugee Sunday (August 26) pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Cyber Safety Presentation- The Catholic Development Fund together with the NAB are launching a Cyber Safety Presentation for all parishes in our diocese (see attached flyer). Cyber Safety is a growing concern for all of us and one that is greatly on the rise. Unfortunately we have recently seen the damaging effects of some cyber scams, we know that it could happen to any of us. We believe that this presentation will be of benefit for anyone that uses a computer. The NAB have also offered this presentation via webinar for anyone that would like to attend but due to distances or other reasons cannot. If you or any others in your office would like to attend the presentation or if you are interested in connecting via webinar, please contact Sharyn Simpson at the CDF, email sharyn.simpson@ballarat.catholic.org.au

REFLECTION by Greg Sunter

Gospel Reflection

In the readings for Ordinary Time, we take a break from the sequence of readings from the Gospel of Mark for a few weeks and this week's reading begins a diversion into chapter 6 of the Gospel of John. The whole of John 6 is an extended discourse that explores the image of Jesus as the Bread of Life. The chapter and the discourse begin with this week's miraculous feeding of the multitude. As this event occurs in each of the four gospels there is a compelling argument that there is some basis in fact or, at the very least, that the metaphoric image of Jesus feeding a crowd was an enduring one in Christian communities.

Jesus is described as testing the disciples, asking them where they might be able to purchase bread for the crowd. Phillip is overwhelmed at the thought of spending a fortune on enough bread for more than 5,000 people. A small boy nearby had a few loaves of bread and a couple of fish. Jesus took the bread and fish, gave thanks and then had the disciples begin to distribute the food. When everyone had eaten their fill, the disciples collected twelve hampers of leftovers. Some commentators suggest that the twelve baskets represent the twelve tribes of Israel – indicating that the message of Jesus will be enough to feed and sustain the whole of Israel. Having witnessed this miracle the people have a sudden insight into who they think Jesus might be – the promised Messiah come to free them from their Roman oppressors. Wary of the crowd's mistaken understanding of what the Messiah is to be, Jesus literally heads for the hills to avoid being made a political figurehead for the people.

Living the Gospel – Plenty for all

The feeding of the multitude is a profoundly political statement. Quite simply, there is sufficient food in our world to ensure that no one should ever be hungry. Sadly, the distribution of that food is such that there are some in our world whose bellies are expanding from an excess of food while others' are distended from the lack of it. We can easily feed the entire world. It is the responsibility of those of us in the developed world with more than we need to bring about a more equitable distribution with those who don't even have enough to live.



Liturgy for Sunday Aug 5 @ St Peter's Daylesford

Reader: I Tinetti **Offertory:** Monaghan Family

Ministers: C Bolton, N Chamberlain, S Whiffin **Sacristan:** Hilary

Counters: July 29th (Team 6) F & K Stephens, T Torpy
 Aug 5th (Team 7)

Weekday Mass: Thurs and Friday mass 10.00am,



Liturgy for Sunday Aug 5 @ St Augustine's Creswick:

Welcomers/Offertory: Tony, Carol V **Remote:** Alastair H

Commentator: Alastair H **Reader:** Roland K **Eucharistic Ministers:**
Aileen P, Barb H, Margie G **Weekday Mass:** 10.00am Tuesday morning

Counters Roster: 1st Sunday– Pat & Bernie; 2nd Sunday– Brian & Josie
3rd Sunday– Kieran & Loretta; 4th & 5th Sundays– Mick & Peter