

ROSTERS:

LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

This Week (September 9)
Readers: Kate Vance/Jenny Murphy
Procession of Gifts: Betty Amarant/Kate Vance
Ext Minister: Kate Vance

Next Week (September 16)
Readers: Connie Browne/Maureen Browne
Procession of Gifts: J & C Browne
Ext Minister: Betty Amarant

Church Care: September 16 M Browne
Church Grounds— SEPTEMBER—VOLUNTEER

STAWELL:

This Week (September 8) 6.00PM
Welcomer: N Rathgeber
Readers: J Raeburn/D Jones
Ext. Ministers: M Howard/S Howard
Procession of Gifts: J Allan

(September 9) 10.30AM
Readers: S Little/D O'Donnell
Ext. Ministers: K Dalton/G Comitti/L Morgan
Procession of Gifts: Cain/Rutter Family

Next Week (September 15) 6.00PM
Welcomer: M Cray
Readers: N Rathgeber/T Brady
Ext. Ministers: L Moloney/J Raeburn
Procession of Gifts: J Croton

(September 16) 10.30AM
Readers: J Van Diesen/H Potter
Ext Ministers: F Harney/M R Thomas/T Wait
Procession of Gifts: L & M Habben

Counters: Today: T & A Ellis
Next Week: June Raeburn

ALTAR SOCIETY: Margaret & Di

MARY'S STATUE: Sept 16-22 J Launder; 23-29 M R Thomas

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. Put filled cruets in the fridge.

WEEKEND MASSES YEAR B:

Stawell: Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday at 10.30am.
Landsborough: Sunday Mass at 8.30am.

WEEKDAY MASSES (YEAR 2):

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: 1st & 3rd 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.

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St Patrick's Parish Community
Stawell-Glenorchy-Great Western-Halls Gap-Landsborough

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B

September 9, 2018

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ANNIVERSARIES:

Maggie Neville

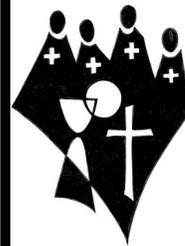
ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING—Monday 2.30pm

FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:

Presbytery Collection \$453.20
Parish Collection: \$532.00
Loose Collection: \$ 154.05
Collection is for the clergy stipend, presbytery costs and support of the bishop and sick and retired priests. The 2nd collection is for the upkeep of the parish.

CUP OF TEA:

AFTER 10.00AM MASS TODAY IN THE HALL —ALL WELCOME.



BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND
Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

Last year our parish contributed \$ 357.00 to this collection, which raised nearly \$48,000.00 throughout the Diocese. The collection in our parish this year has raised \$ 225.00 to date. The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund relies on your generosity to enable it to continue supporting our sick and retired priests. You are still able to contribute, by using

SICK LIST

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seear; 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, Sharron Pickering; Andrew Van Diesen; Benjamin Wolfson; Bernie O'Callaghan; Patty Fenwick; Robby Laxton; Nicole Lee (Horsham); Dominic Browne; Brian O'Loughlin, Beryl Walsh; Shirley Gerriksen; Margaret Walker; Jordan Young; Steven Oates

NB: A FAMILY MEMBER OF THE SICK PERSON MUST CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO HAVE NAMES ADDED.

the special envelope provided, or in an envelope marked "Ballarat Clergy Support Fund". *A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax deductible.*

CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US—THE COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY.

THIS WEEK:

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK:

Wed, Thurs, Fri 10.00am

Monday—St Vincent de Paul Meeting 2.30pm

WEDNESDAY - CENTERING PRAYER IN THE PARISH HALL, 2.00PM.

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 contact Fr Eric 0419 597 063

HUMOUR:

The preacher, in his Sunday sermon, used "Forgive Your Enemies" as his subject. After a long sermon, he asked how many were willing to forgive their enemies. About half held up their hands. Not satisfied he harangued for another twenty minutes and repeated his question. This time he received a response of about 80 percent. Still unsatisfied, he lectured for another 15 minutes and repeated his question. With all thoughts now on Sunday dinner, all responded except one elderly lady in the rear.

"Mrs. Jones, are you not willing to forgive your enemies?"

"I don't have any."

"Mrs. Jones, that is very unusual. How old are you?"

"Ninety three."

"Mrs. Jones, please come down in front and tell the congregation how a person can live to be ninety-three, and not have an enemy in the world."

The little sweetheart of a lady tottered down the aisle, very slowly turned around and said:

"It's easy, I just outlived the mongrels."

NEWS:

Archbishop Mark Coleridge (CNS/Paul Haring)



In a conversation about sexual abuse in Australia and the United States, Brisbane Archbishop Mark Coleridge said "until there is a genuine restoration of trust, no apology is going to land". Source: *America Magazine*.

"We have to accept now restoring trust will only come over time if in fact we do the things we say we're going to do," Archbishop Coleridge said in a video interview with *America Magazine*.

Archbishop Coleridge said the dominant mood in the Church in Australia following the five-year Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse is one "probably is a sense of bewilderment, really, because this is a crisis the like of which we haven't faced in our history".

He noted that there were advantages to having a national scope with the inquiry and response. He said the national approach was vital in preventing a "fragmented and at times contradictory response" to "an area as vital as child protection." However, the Archbishop stressed that the national nature of the response also had "enormous challenges" because with seven distinct jurisdictions "Australia in the singular doesn't exist."

To Archbishop Coleridge, the royal commission with "its secular eye upon the life of the Church was extraordinarily important and helpful," but it "didn't do God and couldn't do God" the way the Church now must.

In Archbishop Coleridge's eyes, there are many more effective ways to protect children from sexual abuse than changing Church teaching about the seal of confession or priestly celibacy, another issue the commission recommended the Church to revisit. He stressed the importance of changing the Church's culture and listening to survivors.

"Here, I'm echoing Pope Francis because he talks about a synodal Church as a listening Church," he said. "We need that combination of passion and commitment to act. But patience, given that it will take time."

When asked about how to restore trust among Catholics, Archbishop Coleridge said, "The only thing that I can see that will restore trust is action ... a willingness to act no matter what the cost."

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION:

Jesus opens our eyes to the reality of God's presence in our midst, in the goodness of people and in the tenderness of life, even in its vulnerability. He opens our ears to hear the word of God spoken to us by others, revealed to us through the created world.

There is an eschatological dimension to being open to the word of God, because we are opened to hear something from the future. The prophets always speak about this future in the present tense. They see it happening already. Isaiah proclaims, 'Here is your God!' and the world is transformed. Jesus says 'Be open.' The good news always opens us to future possibilities, to personal and communal transformation, to a new creation. With the word of God, the future invades our present.

Although the eschatological future is already present to us, it is only unfolding, it has not yet opened completely. We still judge each other by appearances. We still miss the presence of God in the poor and the dispossessed, in those who suffer from disease or war or loneliness. We still shun those of another race, or those who have been shaped by another culture, or those who worship God in a different way. Although the eschatological future is already present, we have not yet put aside all of the biases of the past, we have not yet been fully transformed. But God has spoken, God has come to save us. God is trustworthy; God keeps faith forever.