

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Ballarat

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Sunday October 7th 2018 27th Sunday (Year B)



Parish Office hours: Monday - Friday 10.00am – 5.00pm

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Principals of our three Parish Primary Schools

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

Cathedral Parish Masses 13th/14th October

6.30pm Vigil 8.00am 10.30am 5.00pm

Smythesdale

6.30pm Vigil

Beaufort

8.30am

Snake Valley

10.30am

Masses during the coming week

Monday 12.05pm Cathedral 2.00pm Funeral Mass for Ethna Davey

Tuesday 12.05pm Cathedral

Wednesday 12 Noon ACU Aquinas 12.05pm Cathedral

Thursday 9.30am Redan 11.30am St John of God 12.05pm Cathedral

Friday 9.30am Sebastopol 12.05 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 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time:

May the Lord bless us

Next week's readings: *Sunday October 14th 2018 28th Sunday, Ordinary Time (B)*

Wisdom 7:7-11

Ps 89:12-17

Hebrews 4:12-13

Mark 10:17-30

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish respectfully acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation peoples and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Recent Deaths: Judith Conroy, Ethna Davey, Paul Kierce (Portland), Maria Morris

Anniversaries: Pat Cashin (Ararat), Robert Conaughton, Carmel Edwards

Change of time for Saturday evening Vigil Mass

From next Saturday, October 13th, the Vigil Mass will return to 6.30pm.

Parish Forum for Cathedral Groups, Ministries and Organisations

A forum for all coordinators, leaders and contact persons of all groups, ministries and organisations of the Cathedral Parish will be held on Tuesday October 16th, 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm in the smaller hall at the Cathedral. Please contact the Cathedral Parish Office to ensure that your group, ministry or organisation is included in this forum. The focus will be the Plenary Council and the Synodal style of Pope Francis. A Parish expo of all groups, ministries and organisations is being proposed for the weekend of November 17th – 18th with a Parish Assembly scheduled for Sunday 2.30pm – 4.30pm (Same day as Ballarat's [Run 4 a Cause](#) which you can participate in with Fr Justin, then come to Mass and join your fellow parishioners at the Parish Assembly).

Australian Catholic Church Plenary Council 2020 – Listening and Encountering

Two gatherings here in the Cathedral Hall this week will provide an opportunity to hear from and meet Ms Lana Turvey-Collins, Facilitator of the Australian Plenary Council 2020 Preparation Team. Lana will give insights into the process of Listening and Dialogue that is now open to hear the voices of all who wish to respond. Lana will also talk about the overall three-year process of preparing for the Plenary Council 2020 and answer any questions.

Wednesday October 10th 7.00pm- 8.30pm Glowrey-MacKillop Hall Cathedral precinct,

Thursday October 11th 10.00am -11.30am Glowrey-MacKillop Hall Cathedral precinct.

These gatherings are part of a series of gatherings in Horsham, Mildura, Warrnambool.

Have your say – respond online

The Listening and Dialogue Encounter can happen in many ways. You can get a few of your friends and family together at a time and place that suits you. You can join one of the above gatherings that the parish and diocese are hosting. Invite your friends and family to have a conversation about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. Ask everyone – “What do you think God is asking of us at this time?” And have them send in their [responses online](#). Go to plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

To promote our own prayerful thinking about our responses in the Cathedral Parish to the question – what is the Holy Spirit asking of the Church in Australia? We invite the many and varied voices of Cathedral parishioners to be heard within our Parish. You are invited to offer your 200 words to the Parish Office.

Our response this week comes from Barbara Noack

What is the Holy Spirit asking of the Church in Australia?

I believe the Holy Spirit is asking

For the Church to turn back to God. and to love Him

For the Church to obey the command of Christ to love one another and to obey the Laws of God, For the Church to preach the Gospel

For the Church to serve the poor, For the Church to pray for peace in this world.

Joy+ Youth Festival!

Joy+ Youth Festival for 15-30yo. Sunday, November 25th, Ballarat 2.00pm - 8.00pm. Fantastic music with Genevieve Bryant and her band, special guests and Bishop Paul. This is a free event and includes lunch. Registrations and more details on youth ministry page www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

2018 Social Justice Statement

A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land

The Statement challenges us all to confront Australia's growing rate of homelessness and unaffordable housing. It is estimated that 116,000 Australians are homeless.

Centacare Housing Service

Centacare Housing Service is a Registered Housing Provider and the mission is to provide long-term affordable community housing options for people on low incomes aged 18 years and over. Our housing stock includes a number of properties we manage on behalf of the Department of Health and Human Services and 39 National Rental Affordability Scheme (NRAS) homes that Centacare own. We provide people in the community with an affordable alternative to public housing and private rental accommodation. For more information go to

<https://www.centacareballarat.org.au/services/housing/>

Thank-you for the Collections last weekend:

Envelopes	\$1,380.50	Parish Loose	\$296.45	Presbytery	\$2,044.30
Counters	Team 1	Next week	Team 2		

Liturgical Ministries formation and renewal

The parish liturgy team invite all engaged in liturgical ministries to gather for ongoing formation and renewal for their ministry – three opportunities to gather, Sunday October 21st at 2.30pm, Wednesday October 24th at 10am, Friday October 26th 7pm.

Cuppa and a chat

Come and join in the cuppa and chat after the 10.30am Mass this Sunday in the Glowrey Room. All welcome.

Day Retreat with Fr. Larry Richards from the USA

All welcome to the Mountain of Praise, 23 Cemetery Hill Road, Carngham, Saturday October 13th 1.00pm-7.00pm. The topics are “Knowing Jesus” and “Prayer”.

A *Mission for Life* presented by Fr Richard Leonard SJ

Our Lady Help of Christians, Wendouree October 29-31. Topics are “*Going out into the world we need all the help we can get*”, “*Nine steps to making better choices for my life*” and “*Where the hell is God – Holding on to Faith through the tough times.*” More information from the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au All welcome.

Gospel Reflection - Sr Veronica Lawson rsm

Human limitation is just as much a reality now as it was in the ancient world. We strive for the ideal but fall far short of it in so many ways. When this happens in marriage, the consequences can be more far-reaching than in other aspects of our lives. The parties involved become the “little ones” whose lives are shattered and disoriented. The embrace of the community is needed in a particular way for everyone affected by divorce, especially the children. When parents part company, the best interests and needs of the children are sometimes forgotten. Too often, those who have experienced the trauma of divorce feel alienated from the worshipping community, and this at a time when they need the courage to face a different future from the one they had envisaged. The story about marital commitment leads immediately into a story about Jesus taking the children in his arms and blessing them, despite the disciples’ attempts to send them away. Children are important persons who are never to be excluded from the inner circles of love and compassion. We might hear today’s gospel as a call to be inclusive in all our relationships and to remember the children no matter what happens.