

St Patrick's Parish Stawell Newsletter

27th Sunday of Ordinary Time B—October 7, 2018

ROSTERS:

LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

This Week (October 7)

Readers: C Browne/J Murphy

Procession of Gifts: E Amarant/J Murphy

Ext Minister: J Murphy

Next Week (October 14)

Readers: K Vance/B G Browne

Procession of Gifts: K and G Blake

Ext Minister: C Browne

Church Care: October 13 - M Browne

Church Grounds— OCTOBER—R BROWN

STAWELL:

This Week (October 6) 6.00PM

Welcomer: M Cray

Readers: T Brady/J Raeburn

Ext. Ministers: N Rathgeber/B Walsh

Procession of Gifts: J Allan

(October 7) 10.30AM

Welcomer: E. Driscoll

Readers: L Morgan/J Van Diesen

Ext. Ministers: G Comitti/V Enriquez/
H Potter

Procession of Gifts: G & G Pickering

Next Week (October 13) 6.00PM

Welcomer: D McIntosh

Readers: J Raeburn/D Jones

Ext. Ministers: J Obi/M Maestros

Procession of Gifts: I Robinson

(October 14) 10.30AM

Welcomer: P Gooden

Readers: K Dallinger/S Little

Ext Ministers: G Little/M Rowe/
J Van Diesen

Procession of Gifts: P Gooden

Counters: Today: G Pickering/E Driscoll

Next Week: T & A Ellis

ALTAR SOCIETY: Marie & Gloria

MARY'S STATUE: October 7-13 G Comitti

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.



*“Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the Kingdom of God belongs.”
(Mark 10:14-15)*



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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www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

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THIS WEEK:

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK:

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 10.00am

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



Welcome back to school this week.

Pastoral Care Practitioner Vacancies

Catholic Care are currently seeking to fill two ongoing Pastoral Care Practitioner vacancies at Hopkins Correctional Centre Ararat and Langi Kal Kal Prison Beaufort. More information is available from Catholic Care website <http://www.ccam.org.au/page/58/careers>

FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:

Presbytery Collection \$ 365.35

Parish Collection: \$ 587.00

Loose Collection: \$ 126.50

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.

NEW ROSTERS.

The new Ministers Rosters are available on the table at the back of the Church this weekend. Please collect your roster and take it home with you.

SICK LIST

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seary; Lourdes de la 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; Robbie Loxton; Nicole Lee (Horsham); Dominic Browne; Brian O'Loughlin; Beryl Walsh; Shirley Geritsen; Margaret Walker; Jordan Young; Steven Oates.

NB: A Family member of the sick person must contact the Parish Office to have names added.

HUMOUR:

There was once an elderly gent who had an incredible knack of predicting the future. When people asked him how he did this, he claimed that he had regular conversations with God, and God would tell him what would happen. One

fellow, wanting to have a little fun, asked the old man, "Can you tell me if I will go to Heaven?"

The old man said that he would bring up the subject that evening and try to get an answer for him. A couple of days

later, they met again, and the fellow asked if he had an answer to his question. The elderly gent responded, "Well, yes, but there is some good news and some bad news for you. The good news is that yes, you will go to Heaven."

The fellow smiled, and asked, "And the bad news?"

The old man replied, "They're expecting you this Thursday."

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

Meeting on Monday 8th October at 2.30pm.

NEWS:

INDIGENOUS VOICES HEARD IN 'YARNING CIRCLES'

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Delegates at the NATSICC conference discuss the Plenary Council in Yarning Circles (NATSICC -Facebook)

Participants of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council assembly have contributed to the Plenary Council through the traditional format of the "yarning circle", writes Lana Turvey-Collins. Source: PlenaryPost.

The NATSICC leaders have done an amazing job of bringing together Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to explore their story of "Strong Faith – Strong Youth – Strong Future", the theme for the assembly.

The day of yarning circles was an experience of sharing deeply, speaking boldly and listening with open and humble hearts. The voice of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic people in the Plenary Council process is essential and yesterday was a strong beginning. When everyone goes home, the yarning circles will continue with those who weren't able to attend the assembly, and NATSICC developed a booklet to guide this process. It's available here for all to use.

On Tuesday night, under the stars, NATSICC participants and I walked the prayerful pilgrimage of the labyrinth in an Aboriginal way. Upon entering, we stopped and prayed and were blessed with water from local rivers. As our footsteps were placed one in front of the other, we were encouraged to listen for God's voice and pray for healing and reconciliation.

At the heart of the labyrinth, we offered our prayer – from our heart to God, and spent a few moments still and connected body, mind and soul with all of creation. The pathway out of the labyrinth was the reverse of the journey taken inwards and along the way as we passed one another, the gentle gesture of a hand on one's shoulder was a beautiful accompaniment – a reminder that we are united by faith.

This very powerful experience of Indigenous spirituality and prayer demonstrated that amidst our differences, the mess of sorrowful hurt and inter-generational suffering as Catholic people, we have great hope and we are one people together, for the Kingdom of God.

Sunday, 14 Oct 2018: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Wisdom 7:7-11

A reading from the book of Wisdom

In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me;

I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.

I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;

compared with her, I held riches as nothing.

I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,

for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,

and beside her silver ranks as mud.

I loved her more than health or beauty,

preferred her to the light,

since her radiance never sleeps.

In her company all good things came to me,

at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14

(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

1. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart.

Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?

Show pity to your servants. (R.)

2. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days.

Give us joy to balance our affliction

for the years when we knew misfortune. (R.)

3. Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children.

Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:

give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading Hebrews 4:12-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;

the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 10:17-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

QUESTIONS FOR ADULTS

Q. Jesus told the man, 'There is one thing you lack.' What did the man lack?

Q. What prevented the man from doing as Jesus instructed?

Q. Why does Jesus insist that the kingdom of God is so difficult to enter?

Q. Is giving to charitable causes an adequate response to today's gospel?

Q. How is Jesus' radical challenge being realised in our world / your community?