

**Ararat and Lake Bolac CHURCH ROSTER**

Day & Date	Facilitator	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Golden Gate Communion	Welcomers	Counter	Collector	Flowers	Cleaning
Sat Jan 19th	P. Brennan	G. White	M. Mason, P. Brady		R&M Jerram & Tom Kidd	Office	G. White & Tom Kidd	Marilyn Brady	K. Scherger
Sun Jan 20th	C. Reid	S. Reid	M. Cunningham & C. Bulger	T. Gemmola	S. Pickering	(as above)	John Pola	(as above)	(as above)
Sat Jan 26th	G. White	B. Rodger			Tom Kidd	P. McAloon & Office	Geoff White & R. Jerram	M. Cunningham	Jo Donnan
Sun Jan 27th	J. Brennan	M. McDougall	G. O'Loughlin, N. Billingsley & Sr. John	D&M Lister	K. Leggett	(as above)	V. Hooper	(as above)	(as above)
<b>Lake Bolac</b> Sun Jan 20th	<b>Reader</b> D. Haslett	<b>Prayers</b> R. Liston	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> Jane Higgins	<b>Cleaner</b> Jane Higgins	<b>Lake Bolac</b> Sun Jan 27th	<b>Reader</b> M-A Otto	<b>Prayers</b> K. Gleeson	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> John Higgins	<b>Cleaner</b> J Upton & K Gleeson

**Saint of the Week** St. Agnes. **Feastday:** January 21 **Patron** of young girls, chastity, rape survivors, and the Children of Mary  
 Birth: 291 Death: 304 St. Agnes of Rome was born in 291 AD and raised in a Christian family. Agnes was very beautiful and belonged to a wealthy family. Her hand in marriage was highly sought after, and she had many high ranking men chasing after her. However, Agnes made a promise to God never to stain her purity. Her love for the Lord was great and she hated sin even more than death! Whenever a man wished to marry Agnes, she would always say, "Jesus Christ is my only Spouse." According to legend, the young men she turned away became so angry and insulted by her devotion to God and purity that they began to submit her name to authorities as a Christian follower. **Read more on [www.catholic.org](http://www.catholic.org)**

**Child Safe Church**

Here at the Church of the Immaculate Conception & St. Bernard's, we follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we also implement procedures and standards as directed by the Ballarat Diocesan Office.

Our Safe Guarding Officer is Emma Coburn and you can download our Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy from the Parish website. If you have any concerns whatsoever—please contact the Parish Office, Fr. Andrew or the Safe Guarding Officer on

[ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

Lifeline: 131114 Ararat Police: 5355 1500  
 Counselling service: Relationships Australia – 1800 052 674  
 Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Towards Healing – 1800 099 340  
 Sexual Assault Crisis line: 1800 806 292

**Church Toilets**

All children—Primary school age and under— must be accompanied by an adult. Thank you for your understanding.



**Sunday, 20 Jan 2019**  
**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C**

As we celebrate, we acknowledge the Indigenous owners of the land on which our Churches are built, the Tjapwurong people, and we respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

**19th/20th January 2019**

**RECENT DEATHS:**

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Peter McLean, Peter Gorst, Michele DiDomenico, Mick Davey, Fr Charlie Fiscalini, Michael Hennessy, Patrick Kelly, Fr Paul Keenan SJ, Catherine Doery, Joan Quaiffe, Thelma Liston, Ron Mason, Ken Waring, Alan Dovaston, Eric Ericksen, Ray Toner, Irene Hogan, Christopher Lillis, Francis Shevlin, Lilian Burston, Mons. Eugene Galligan, Mollie Flynn, Molly Kenny, Reginald Olle, Dennis Donovan, Maurice Donovan, Sarah Hogan, Leah Smith, Colleen Hodge, Anna McKenna

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Naomi Phillips, Mark Eastick, Robin Wright, (Jenny Wright's son), Sr. Geraldine Stapleton, Carmel Brennan

**Please pray for the intentions of :**

Mary Howard, Libby Shea

**Baptisms—Welcome to the Community!**

Mikka & Coral Siesmaa—children of Emma & Kris

**First Reading Is 62:1-5**

*As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.*

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 95:1-3. 7-10. R. v.3**

(R.) Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

- O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name. (R.)
- Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)
- Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. (R.)
- Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' He will judge the peoples in fairness. (R.)

**Second Reading 1 Cor 12:4-11**

*One and the same spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.*

**Gospel Acclamation See 2 Thes 2:14**

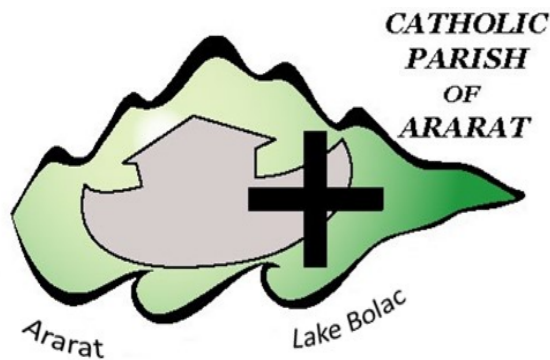
Alleluia, alleluia!  
 God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
 Alleluia!

**Gospel Jn 2:1-11**

*The first of the signs given by Jesus was at Cana in Galilee.*  
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**PARISH PRAYER**

Loving God, Good Shepherd of us all,  
 gather us and form us into a welcoming Parish family.  
 Touch our hearts with your love so that we,  
 In turn, may reach out in love to one another,  
 in a neighbourly community. We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.  
 Amen.



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**Parish Council Chairperson:**

Charlie Reid

**Finance Committee Chairperson:**

Peter Gemmola

**Funeral Ministry:**

Joan Fitzpatrick, Sr. Maree, Harry Collins & Sioux Reid

**Catholic Women's League:**

Jan Crowe (President) & Anna Collins (Secretary)

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:**

Vinnies Shop/Centre 03 5352 5560

President: Peter Brady

Manager: Kathleen Leggett

**PRINCIPAL ST. MARY'S SCHOOL: Mr Bill Hill**

Download newsletter: www.smararat.catholic.edu.au

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**PRINCIPAL MARIAN COLLEGE: Mrs Carmel Barker**

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www.mcararat.catholic.edu.au

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**Parish Centre**

Our Parish Centre is used for various activities—from Graduate Teacher Professional Development Days, Family Celebrations, Formal Meetings to a gathering place after a funeral.

It is a space that can accommodate up to 100 people comfortably and has an industrial kitchen. If you would like more information—please contact the office (Joyce) on 03 5352 5460

## MASS TIMES

**Ararat** (Immaculate Conception)

**Saturday** 6.00pm

**Sunday** 10.30am

**Lake Bolac** (St. Bernard's)

**8.30am** 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays

*2nd Sundays at Glenhompson at 8.30am*

## Masses This Week in Ararat

**Thurs 24th** 3.30pm Hopkins

**Fri 25th** 9.30am Ararat

## A VOCATION VIEW

There was a wedding between God and us: "to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better or for worse." God is faithful and true. Let us do the same.

## Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2018

"Let us be careful not to have a perverse heart that leads to cowardice; an obstinate heart that leads to being shut off; a heart that is slave to the seduction that leads to a Christian life of compromise."

Please drop in a piece of material that means something to you, to the office—about 30cm \* 30cm. We are putting together a cloth for the foyer table.

Thanks to those people who have brought in pieces already. Keep them coming!

—Joyce

**Next Week's Readings: Jan 27th 2018**

**First Reading** [Neh 8:2-6, 8-10](#)

**Second Reading** [1 Cor 12:12-30](#)

## Australia Day Prayer

St Mary's Ararat Saturday January 26th @ 10am

Please bring morning tea to share



Australia Day

## Yoga Classes are coming to the Parish Centre!

Yoga Classes will commence on Thursday February 14th at 5.45pm-6.45pm in the parish centre. Cost for the hour session is \$15. The classes will be once a fortnight. For more information, please see the flyer on the notice board or phone Uali on 0403 170 676

## Communion for those in Hospital

A reminder to all to contact the office if you know of someone in hospital who would like to receive communion.

## World Youth Day in your Parish

The next World Youth Day is on Sunday, January 27, 2019 in Panama City. You may wish to view the live stream of the Vigil with Pope Francis on Sunday morning before or after your regular Parish Mass, or include prayers for young people in your Mass. Prayers, information and the live stream link will be on the Youth & Young Adult Ministry pages of the diocesan website: [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## Australia Day Celebrations

For more information about What's On in Ararat—go to [www.ararat.vic.gov.au/events](http://www.ararat.vic.gov.au/events)

## Catholic Man Breakfast Series

Men of all ages are invited to a Catholic Man Breakfast to be held on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at Craig's Royal Hotel in Ballarat. The Breakfast will be hosted by Bishop Paul Bird CSsR and will feature former leading Radio Executive, Shane Healy, as guest speaker. Shane has walked a fascinating path to the top of the highly competitive radio industry in Australia and has connected with high profile performers such as Brian Taylor, Neil Mitchell and Rex Hunt. Further information from Chris Liston, ph. 0437 318 251 or email [chris.listo2@gmail.com](mailto:chris.listo2@gmail.com) or Vincent Sully, ph. 0407 310 115 or email [vcjdh.sully@gmail.com](mailto:vcjdh.sully@gmail.com).

**World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide encounter with the Pope, typically celebrated every three years. This encounter can be in person on pilgrimage to the host nation, or it can be World Youth Day at Home.**

## World Youth Day at Home

The Australian Church is encouraging **World Youth Day at Home** in January 2019. Ballarat Diocese is supporting this initiative and developing a range of events.

go to [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## St. Mary's Parish Roster

The roster for the first half of this year is now on display on the new board. 😊

Should you need to change anything, please swop with someone you know.

Many thanks

## Australian WYD2019 Prayer

Eternal God,  
You loved the world so much that You gave us your only Son,  
to accompany us in every moment of our lives.  
From diverse backgrounds across our vast land,  
we journey as one, your pilgrim church.

We leave what is known and what is precious to us  
to embark on life's pilgrimage,  
uncertain of who our companions will be  
or what joys, hopes and challenges await us.

In our brokenness, we desire wholeness.  
We trust Jesus, your Word, to lead us on this journey.  
Unafraid of what we do not know,  
we are full of excitement and ready to embrace all.

May your Holy Spirit open us to transformation.  
We want to give ourselves to the Holy Spirit as Mary did. With her, we say:  
"I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word".  
Assist us that we may welcome all that is needed to renew our lives.  
May we become Jesus' true disciples,  
forgetting ourselves and loving His kingdom, His truth,  
and all he came to save by His Holy Cross.  
Mary, Our Lady Help of Christians, Patron of Australia, pray for us.  
Amen.