



St Patrick's Parish Newsletter

Stawell and Landsborough

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time- Year C—February 10, 2019

RECENT DEATHS:

Marg Walker (Funeral Tomorrow, Monday, 10.00am at St Patrick's)

ANNIVERSARIES: Kevin Kelly

FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:

Presbytery Collection \$ 421.70

Parish Collection: \$ 764.00

Loose Collection: \$ 63.80

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

THIS WEEK:

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WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK:

TUES, THURS, FRI 10.00 AM

WED—EVENTIDE 10.30AM

St Vincent de Paul Meeting Monday 11th Feb 2pm in the church hall.

WEDNESDAY - CENTERING PRAYER IN THE HALL

CONFESSIONS —Before or after 10.00am weekday Masses by request (i.e. – just ask Fr Eric.) ; 10.00am Saturdays; Landsborough—before Sunday Mass.

Any other time contact Fr Eric 0419 597 063

LENTEN DISCUSSIONS

This is almost as bad as Woollies selling hot cross buns straight after Christmas, but we need to be organised.

I would ask any parishioner who is interested in taking part in a Lenten Reflection/discussion group to contact me as soon as possible. We need to look at available programs, and also

consider whether or not we invite our Anglican friends to join us.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Thank you to those who take Communion to homes, Hospital, Aged Care Facilities. This is a great privilege. However, I would remind all ministers that you are responsible to the Parish Priest as you Minister in this way. He should be informed each time Communion is being taken from the church, and no Minister is to take Communion to a "new" person without first seeking the permission of the Parish Priest. This is especially important for those who may have been absent from the Church for some time. Other Sacraments would need to be offered before Communion. Please take this matter very seriously. **A Pastoral Team is being organised at the moment, and it will have responsibility for persons in institutions, even if another Minister has been taking Communion to that persons home. People interested in being part of this team please contact Fr Eric in the next week.**

Thank you.

SICK LIST

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Val Seear; Lourdes de la Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; Lynn Wright; John Jess; Simon Monas; Angela Moore; Jeff O'Donnell; Peter Duffy (Canada); Kate Sargent; Yvonne 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 Gerritsen; Jordan Young; Steven Oates; Marg Rowe, Doreen Duffy; Charlie Healy

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

PENARY COUNCIL 2020 - LISTENING AND DIALOGUE ENCOUNTERS

Everyone is invited to participate in the Listening and Dialogue process to contribute to the Plenary Council agenda. Information flyer available on the Ballarat diocese website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au. All of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

Questions for individuals or groups:

1. What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?
3. Do you have a story of your experience of faith, or the Church you would like to share?

Please submit your responses by Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2019 at www.plenarycouncil.org.au



CUP OF TEA AFTER 10.30AM MASS TODAY.

HUMOUR:

A drunk man who smelled like beer sat down on a subway next to a priest. The man's tie was stained, his face was plastered with red lipstick, and a half empty bottle of gin was sticking out of his torn coat pocket.

He opened his newspaper and began reading. After a few minutes the man turned to the priest and asked, "Say, Father, what causes arthritis?"

The priest replies, "My Son, it's caused by loose living, being with cheap, wicked women, too much alcohol, contempt for your fellow man, sleeping around with prostitutes and lack of a bath."

The drunk muttered in response, "Well, I'll be damned" and returned to his paper.

The priest, thinking about what he had said, nudged the man and apologized. "I'm very sorry. I didn't mean to come on so strong. How long have you had arthritis?"

The drunk answered, "I don't have it, Father. I was just reading here that the Pope does."

(from an American Baptist Book of Jokes)

NEWS:

Plenary session will be 'safe and inclusive'

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The Church in Melbourne has invited "all LGBTIQ+ Catholics, Christians and the broader LGBTIQ+ community, family, friends and supporters" to a "safe and inclusive" Plenary Council conversation this week. Source: The Australian.

The gathering will be held on Wednesday night, in partnership with the Andrews Government and Acceptance Melbourne, which describes itself as "open and affirming community" supporting "Catholics who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer".

The meeting will be part of an ongoing nation-

He said the main role of Acceptance and the Victorian Government in the exercise was to encourage participants to attend. He said attendees would be divided into small groups, to discuss one main question: "What do you think God is asking of us at this time?"

Bishop Edwards said he would be interested to hear whether attendees felt well accepted in Church communities or "a bit marginalised", at a time when Pope Francis was urging the Church "to reach out to all". Discussions could also focus issues such as a greater role for women in the Church and religious education, he said.

More than 40,000 individuals and groups have made submissions or participated in the Plenary Council process so far, with submissions due to close on Ash Wednesday, March 6.

The three-year process would culminate in national Plenary Council meetings next year and in 2021, where delegates, including bishops, will vote on possible changes to church life and practices. The Church's last Plenary Council in Australia was in 1937.

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World Day of Prayer—March 2019

SLOVENIA

'Come—Everything Is Ready'



Date 1st March
Time 2pm
Place Stawell Salvation Army

On Friday the 1st March at the Salvation Army, Women's World Day of Prayer will be held at 2.00pm. We are inviting ladies who usually take part on these days to come the day before—Thursday, February 28—at 4.00pm at the Salvation Army to nominate who might like to take responsibilities in the Service the next day

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NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS:

(A chance to prepare ahead)

Sunday, 10 Feb 2019: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Isaiah 6:1-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Here am I! Send me.

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings.

And they cried out to one another in this way,

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

His glory fills the whole earth.'

The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said:

'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost,

for I am a man of unclean lips

and I live among a people of unclean lips,

and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts.'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs.

With this he touched my mouth and said:

'See now, this has touched your lips,

your sin is taken away,

your iniquity is purged.'

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying:

'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?'

I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 137:1-5. 7-8. R. v.1

(R.) In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.

Before the angels I will bless you.

I will adore before your holy temple. (R.)

2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.

On the day I called, you answered;

you increased the strength of my soul. (R.)

3. All earth's kings shall thank you
when they hear the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the Lord's ways;

'How great is the glory of the Lord!' (R.)

4. You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,

discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I preach what they preach, and this is what you believe.

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you – believing anything else

will not lead to anything.

Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it.

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord,

and I will make you fishers of my people.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 5:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

They left everything and followed him.

Jesus was standing one day by the lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

Living the Gospel – Hearing the Call

Like Isaiah and Peter, each and every one of us is called. It may not happen through Jesus stepping into our boat, but when we quieten our minds and our hearts enough to really listen, we become aware that God truly is calling to each and every one of us. The call comes to us through our friends; our experiences; our hopes and our fears. Sometimes we are so afraid of hearing the call that we fill our lives with noise and distractions. We fear that the call will involve hardship, or at the very least: unpopularity. But that's no excuse!

ROSTERS:

LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

This Week (February 10)

Readers: J Browne/C Browne

Procession of Gifts: BG & W Browne

Ext Minister: E Amarant

Next Week February 3

Readers: J Murphy/K Vance

Procession of the gifts: M Traynor

Ext. Minister: K Vance

Church Care: February 17 - M Browne

Church Grounds— February—Volunteer—formerly Pat O'Callaghan

STAWELL:

This Week (February 9) 6.00PM

Welcomer: M Cray

Readers: M Howard/A Ellis

Ext. Ministers: M Howard/S Howard

Procession of Gifts: J Allan

(February 10) 10.30AM

Welcomer: E Driscoll

Readers: D O'Donnell/M Maestros

Ext Ministers: M R Thomas/M Rowe/K Dalton

Procession of Gifts: P Gooden

Next Week

(February 16) 6.00PM

Welcomer: M Rogers

Readers: D Jones/T Brady

Ext. Ministers: L Moloney/J Obi

Procession of Gifts: M Smith Family

(February 17) 10.30AM

Welcomer: P Gooden

Readers: K Dallinger/H Potter

Ext Ministers: F Harney/H Potter/M Maestros

Procession of Gifts: L & M Habben

Counters: Today: T & A Ellis

Next Week: J Raeburn

ALTAR SOCIETY:

Next week: Margaret & Di

MARY'S STATUE:

February 10-16 N Rathgeber; 17-23 Brfian Walsh; 24-March 2 Helen Prowd; 3-9 June Raeburn; 10-16 Margaret Rowe

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.

Scripture Reader and Extraordinary Ministers are meant to process with the priest at the start and end of Mass. Reader Carries the Lectionary to the Sanctuary at the start of Mass, but does not carry it out at the end.



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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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